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Carter Proposes Secret Court to OK Spying on Americans

"Carter to Propose Using Secret Court to OK Spying," rang a headline in the February 4th edition of the *Baltimore Sun* newspaper. The article (based on a report from the Washington bureau of the Associated Press wire service) leaked that President Carter is planning to propose that a secret court have the power to let government agents break into homes and offices, open mail and wiretap Americans.

The secret court plan follows Carter's State of the Union address where he used increased contention with the Soviet Union to justify loos-

ening restrictions on U.S. intelligence agencies and stepping up attacks against the U.S. people, and when the Senate is considering a new CIA charter that gives that agency a freer hand (see *WV*, Jan. 28, 1980).

Carter wants a comprehensive charter to cover agencies such as the FBI, CIA, and National Security Agency. "The charter would make some spying on Americans legal if the president ruled the investigation was "essential to the national security" said Senator Walter D. Huddleston. He's chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee's subcommittee which is consulting with the

Carter administration. "The very intrusive types of spying like opening mail and break-ins known as 'black bag jobs' would require a court order."

The court he's talking about is a secret Federal court that was set up two years ago to okay wiretapping and other electronic surveillance against foreign spies in the U.S.

"It's no big deal," claims a defender of the charter (who's not named in the article), "ever since World War II the agencies have been doing these things under a claim that the president has inherent power to order them." This is no surprise to anyone who re-

members the government repression against the Black Panther Party, how the FBI bugged and blackmailed Martin Luther King Jr., or the state harassment against anti-war activists in the 60s.

Green Light to Step Up Repression Against CWP And Others

But Carter's proposal will legalize spy operations that the FBI and other agencies now carry out illegally. Agents wouldn't have to get regular court warrants to tap phones (like they're supposed to now) where the court record later becomes public information. Agents wouldn't have to get a warrant to open mail—now they're supposed to show probable cause that a crime has been or will be committed and notify the victim that this is going on.

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PEOPLE OF EUROPE PETITION TO AVENGE THE CWP 5

Long Live Proletarian Internationalism!

The movement to avenge the murder of the Communist Workers Party 5 is gaining support not only in this country, but internationally as well. The following letters came to us along with petitions with thousands of signatures from the people of Denmark and other European countries. These signatures are invaluable for they are true manifestations of proletarian internationalism. The Communist Workers Party expresses its deepest appreciation and thanks to these signers, and in particular, those who spent hours going door to door to solicit the signatures. With the growing support movement, we are determined to fight until justice is achieved.

This double standard confuses Europeans and simply points out the Moral Bankruptcy of American justice.

Yours sincerely,
T.H.
Denmark

cc. Nelson Johnson and Willena Cannon
District Attorney
Workers Viewpoint Organization
Daily News
W.F.M.Y.-TV

Denmark, Jan. 27, 1980

To Workers Viewpoint!
My name is K.N., I live in Denmark.

In relation to the Ku Klux Klan attack in Greensboro, North Carolina, on November the 4, 1979, im. sending this petition to you. A lot of people in Denmark, have been, and still are working with collecting signatures, and telling people about the situation in Greensboro.

The petitions, are send to you, now, in the hope, that you'll use them the best way you can. Maybe it, in some way, can be useful to Willena Cannon and Nelson Johnson, when they are going to the trial the 4 of February.

We're still collecting signatures in Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Germany, and they will be send to you soonest.

Please write me a short letter, when you get this letter, so I can know, that you've got the petition.

With the deepest sincerity,
K.N.
Denmark

PEOPLE OF THE WORLD UNITE!
LONG LIVE PROLETARIAN
INTERNATIONALISM

Copenhagen, January 28th 1980

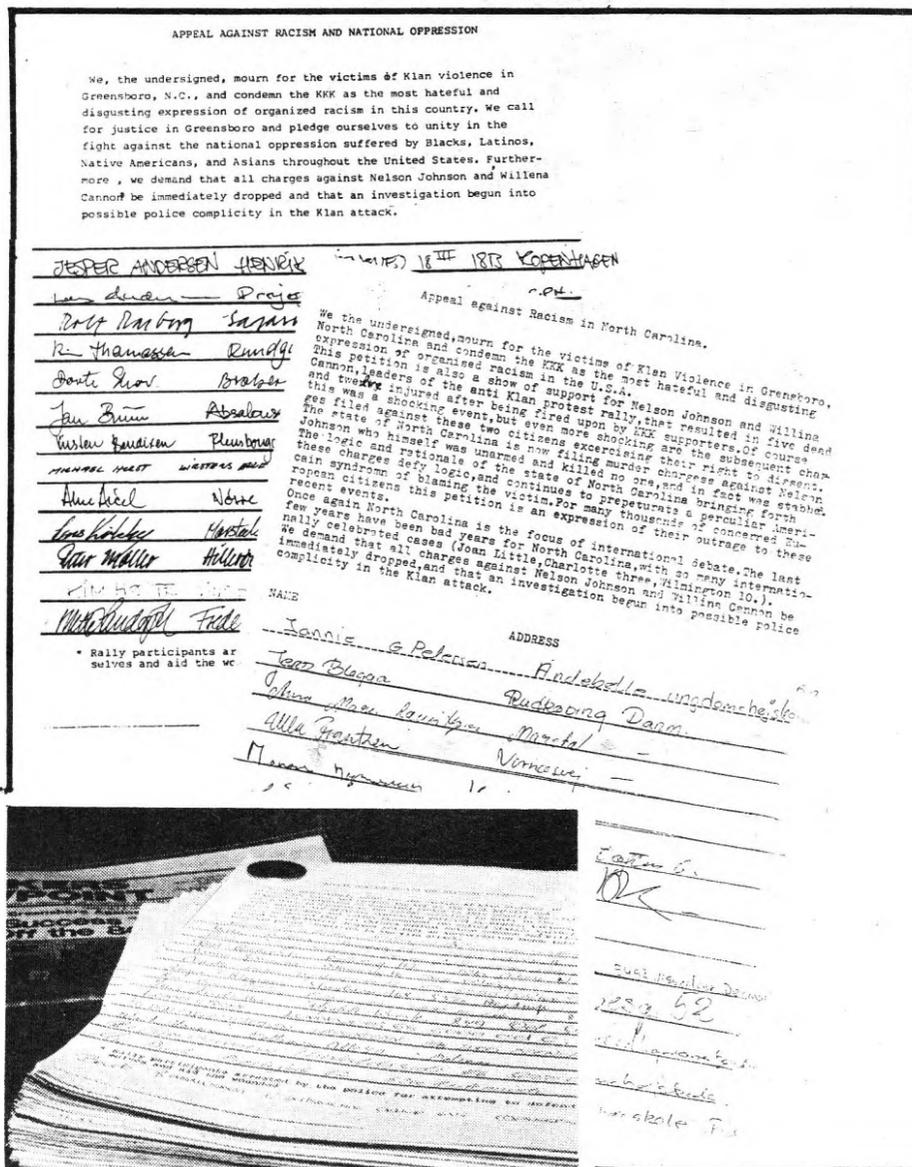
Dear Sir,

These petitions are the first of several that will arrive to your office in the next few days. They represent the work and concern of thousands of European citizens.

We sincerely hope this pattern of repression will end. North Carolina continues to resist the rights of all of its citizens to live with dignity and respect. Human rights in North Carolina are having a very difficult time.

We hope that the public outrage over recent international events such as Iran and Russian intervention in Afghanistan will spark more concern for your own American citizens living beside you.

Here is about 1,168 signatures



(Top) Samples of two petitions that are being passed and signed by thousands of justice-loving people in Denmark, Norway, Sweden and Germany. These signatures (bottom) are precious examples of proletarian internationalism which the Communist Workers Party will always treasure.

Anti-Draft Movement Shifting into High Gear

Northeast Conference a Great Success!

WESLEYAN UNIV., Conn.—Sunday, February 10, the Northeast Conference Against the Draft organized and hosted by students at Wesleyan University, signals the rise of a new, young anti-draft movement. With only a couple day's notice, over 100 draft age students, men and women, came out for the conference with over 25 campuses and organizations represented. "A lot of my friends are getting into this anti-draft stuff back home who couldn't make it this time, but are already planning for the April conference" was the comment of one Harvard sophomore. A cafeteria worker, an older woman in her 50's, said "I'm fed up with Jimmy Carter's lies and I'm against the draft!"

Running two days, the conference began with workshops covering a whole range of issues related to the draft: the anti-draft movement, militarization, nuclear proliferation, U.S. foreign policy and women and the draft. The second day wrapped up the conference with a plenary session. Lively debate broke out when Communist Workers Party supporters struggled for the conference's principles of unity to link up the draft with the growing threat of a third world war, rather than narrowly "just opposing the draft." The struggle has just begun with a date set for the next conference—April 5—and resolving to push out and mobilize even more broadly.

It hasn't been a month since Carter

announced plans for draft registration, and already, demonstrations and rallies have mushroomed at Stanford, Columbia, Wisconsin State, and many other campuses across the country. Many of these people are only 18 and 19 years old and didn't live through the experiences of the anti-war movement of the 60's. At this point, many do not yet see the draft as the cornerstone of the U.S. ruling class' preparations for a third world war and part and parcel of the growing fascist trend. When cheap political speculators like Kennedy and Brown speak out against the draft chasing after the student vote, they also support the vicious war preparations of U.S. imperialism. Therefore, while the spontaneous mass hatred for the draft is wide-spread, in the absence of clear direction, it can easily get co-opted and diverted.

With the recent Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the re-instatement of the draft has upped the ante in the superpowers war game. As the anti-draft movement gathers steam, the struggle for clear political direction must inevitably sharpen up. The narrow view that isolates the re-instatement of the draft away from the growing danger of World War III and fascism and attempts of politicians to pimp off this issue during an election year must be exposed and defeated. Only with this correct orientation in the lead can the anti-draft movement serve as an effective force against the danger of world war and fascism. □

THE COMMUNIST WORKERS PARTY STANDS FOR:



The Communist Workers Party, U.S.A. (CWP) is the political party of the U.S. multinational working class. The CWP, formerly the Workers Viewpoint Organization, is a fighting, nationwide organization. Our members come from all backgrounds and nationalities. Our immediate goal is to lead the U.S. proletariat (working class) and oppressed nationalities to overthrow this rotten capitalist system by violence and establish a socialist system—the dictatorship of the proletariat. Under socialism, we workers will be our own masters and will rule over the monopoly capitalists in the interests of the vast majority of people. Our ultimate aim is communism, a society where there are no longer classes or class differences and no longer any exploitation of man by man.

The Communist Workers Party fights for the emancipation of all humanity. Our main contribution is to make socialist revolution here in the U.S. We support the struggles of all oppressed people and nations and fight together with them against both imperialist superpowers, the U.S. and Soviet Union, and against colonialism, neo-colonialism, Zionism, racism and all reaction. We oppose world war and fascism and work for proletarian revolution throughout the world.

Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought is the theoretical basis guiding our thinking. It is the science of revolution—the historical lessons of thousands of years of class struggle summed up into general principles by the great communist revolutionaries, Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and Mao Tsetung.

We oppose the sellout traitors of today's revisionist Communist Party of the Soviet Union and Communist Party of China. They've become bourgeois (capitalist class) parties and revised Marxism to serve their own selfish interests. To ensure that our party does not betray the working class, the CWP conscientiously studies Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and criticizes revisionism. We submit to close supervision by the masses, boldly do criticism and self-criticism of errors, and constantly recruit fresh forces and cleanse our ranks of those who've gone stale.

Today's economic crisis is bringing untold suffering on the American people.

Millions of our youth are unemployed, strung out on drugs, and turning to crime. Divorce rates are soaring and families are being torn apart like never before. The root cause of this is capitalism. Capitalism is a system where a small gang of vultures like the Rockefellers and Morgans own the factories, mines and land, and make all their profit off our sweat and blood. This class, the bourgeoisie, uses its state (the police, courts, prisons, armed forces, and all levels of government) to rule over us. That's why we must overthrow them and seize state power.

The CWP fights for jobs for all, for better wages and working conditions, for decent housing, education, and childcare, for equal rights for oppressed nationalities and undocumented workers, for the right of self-determination for oppressed nations in the U.S., and against police brutality, the KKK/Nazis, and discrimination of women and the elderly. But the only way to end all social evils is for all workers and oppressed to unite, smash every attempt by the bourgeoisie to divert the blame for the crisis onto scapegoats, and to destroy the whole capitalist system. Only then can we continue the revolution under socialism until the classless society, material abundance, and spiritual height of communism is realized.

We do political education daily and in the course of taking up day-to-day struggles to help the masses learn who are our friends and who are our enemies. Today, our first priority is to awaken the proletariat to build up its party, by winning over to communism wave upon wave of workers and advanced elements and training them how to make revolution. We strive to make every factory our fortress, every community and school our base, to kick the hacks out of the trade unions and make them into fighting organizations. Thus we are now building our army in preparation for seizing state power.

We call on all workers and revolutionary-minded people to join with the Communist Workers Party in the struggle against this bloodsucking system and build up the Party as your own to prepare for the dictatorship of the proletariat.



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Breaking the Chains of Wage Slavery



CHICAGO TEACHERS STRIKE AGAINST FISCAL CRISIS

CHICAGO, Ill.—25,000 striking public school teachers voted to return to work on Feb. 11. Schools have been shut down for two weeks as teachers walked out over layoffs, missed paychecks and pay cuts, refusing to bear the burden of Chicago's fiscal crisis.

FOUR ARRESTED AT LOCAL 2 STRIKE

SAN FRANCISCO, Ca.—On February 2, Kathy Bibby, member of United Hotel and Restaurant Workers, a rank and file caucus of the San Francisco Culinary Union-Local 2, and 3 other workers were arrested while they and 66 others picketed at the Bay Meadow Race Track. The outcome of this strike, demanding wage increases to keep up with inflation, will have significant impact on the upcoming San Francisco hotel contract which expires June 30.

SUPERMARKET LOCKOUT MEANS UNIONBUSTING

BAY AREA, Ca.—Six major grocer chains locked out 5,000 checkers and clerks in response to a United Food and Commercial Union strike. On January 20, 6,000

workers began a selective strike against Safeway, the nation's largest chain. Like the Teamster 315 strike in 1978, the clerks are fighting a battle against unionbusting by the corporate food industry.

TOXIC CHEMICALS FOUND IN AMTRAK WORKERS' BLOOD

WILMINGTON, De.—High levels of PCB, a toxic chemical which has caused cancer in laboratory animals, was found in the blood of 25 Amtrak workers. 150 other workers are undergoing tests for the substance.

1979 STRIKE COUNT

In 1979, 1.7 million workers participated in strikes as compared to 1.6 million in 1978. Also, the number of walkouts increased to 4,800 from 4,230 in 1978. The largest strike was the Teamsters' strike of 235,000 workers against the trucking industry.

CWP & Parents Fire Up L.A. School, Racist Principal Fired

LOS ANGELES, Ca.—After months of consistent struggle, the Community Group for Better Education (CGBE) along with the Communist Workers Party (CWP) won an important victory! The racist principal Anthony Ventresca was fired from John Muir Jr. High School. John Muir, in Los Angeles' black south-central community holds 1800 students with 93% Afro-American. Two off-campus murders of students had already taken place in the last two months. This is what the CGBE and the CWP have been fighting for the past two years; to make John Muir a better school for the community's kids.

John Muir is like a penal institution with crowded and filthy classrooms. "You know how they handle criminals? That's how they're handling the students here." Last fall, when school began, there were only 2 bathrooms for these 1800 students. The racist principal Ventresca, instead of confronting the school's problems, would cover them up. When 3 teachers spoke out against the miserable conditions, he transferred them

to other schools. And to split the unity of the students and teachers, he'd promote white, inexperienced teachers over black, experienced teachers. Students and teachers were tired of his maneuvers. But Dec. 7, 1979 was the last straw.



On that day, there was a shootout between the security guard and a group of youths, some of whom were injured. All the students were locked in the school rooms. When parents and community demanded to know what happened,

Parents, students, community and teachers put up pickets at John Muir Jr. High School in L.A. During the week, chants on ending school violence and firing the racist principal sounded through the School Board building.

pose except that of our own destruction. It is Carter who backstabs us with inflation and under the worst conditions the government and monopoly capitalists try to divide the working class.

We workers must analyse our present and future lives. The only way to remove the monopoly capitalist is by organizing a revolutionary party, where we would find our freedom and true liberation.

We must struggle and fight and die fighting before we die crushed under its dominance and slavery. What will be our future? What are we going to leave to our children? I am simply a worker, without much education. But I hope my words are engraved in your minds like a calling, like a last resort.

Anyhow, this system is crumbling; right now they don't know what to do and they want us to carry all the burden for the problems they have created. Although we are not organized as we should be—it doesn't matter if you are white, black, brown or yellow, we must unite with the struggle and hit them hard, and finally they are scared to death.

'Til next time,
Your friend from Greeley, Colo.

Reply: Your challenge to the working class to take the bandages off their eyes will make the bourgeoisie shake, if there is a Workers Viewpoint paper there for every worker to read. It is through workers like yourself that the Party's paper, the most conscious voice of the working class, gets out to help the workers become better class fighters. The Party's challenge to you: Get a bundle of papers and sell them at your plant, to your friends, to your neighbors, set up a distribution network! As people's eyes open up, we must be there to show the right way to go. □

Ventresca and the L.A. school board tried to cover it up and pretend that nothing significant happened. They fired more teachers and hired more armed guards to keep students in line. That's how they see solving rotten education.

"We've Called the CWP in"

All across the country, schools are being turned into armed camps; more guards are being hired to keep the youth disciplined and to isolate the "disorderly", outspoken students. What they want is the youths to be faithful robots, obeying all their rules and regulations without a single question. But the youth are angry at the lack of education they're getting. That's why they sometimes end up in gangs or on drugs because they think it's better than facing a life with no future. Ventresca and the school board would be content if all the youths did that.

But CGBE and CWP have shown the parents and students another alternative—to stand up and fight. On the Wednesday following the shootout, the students organized a walk-out in the school. Ventresca and his security guards came out to force students back in school. When that didn't work, he thought he'd make an example out of Debra Greenwood (a CGBE leader and CWP supporter) by arresting her for trespassing. Then he went further and suspended over a dozen students for participating in the walk-out. Defying these actions, Debra Greenwood went back with a parent whose child was suspended. She was arrested again on a trumped up charge of battery against Ventresca. Bail was set at \$5,000. Her crime? They accused her of spitting on him!

Nothing was going to stop the militancy and unity of the parents and students. Dec. 17, everyone in the community marched right into the school board meeting to demand an end to school violence, to expose the cover up and demand that Ventresca be fired. Ventresca and his lackeys, the school board, tried to turn the issue around saying that CGBE and the CWP were "outside agitators" and that they were the ones who were disrupting the educational process. But they exposed themselves when they wouldn't let the parents speak. They were so scared of the community that they hightailed out of the board room with security guards as escorts.

Ventresca Kicked Out

Ventresca's final words were to say that he wasn't going to allow "black communists" to get rid of him. His lackeys have been continuing his dirty work and redbaiting parents working with the CWP and CGBE. But despite these futile attacks, the CGBE and CWP triumphed! Because of the mass pressure and media coverage organized by the CWP and the CGBE, Ventresca was kicked out of John Muir. After the board meeting, one parent explained how she had gone from one group to the next for support, but no one responded. When she came to the CWP, we took up the fight and because of our leadership, were were able to win. She said "if this is what it means to be a communist, then I want to be a communist too!". The struggle at John Muir is far from over, but with this victory and the leadership of the CWP, the parents and students are more determined to continue the fight for quality education. □

FROM THE MASSES TO THE MASSES

Our Readers Speak Out!

Open Your Eyes and Start Struggling!

This letter (translated from Spanish) came from a striker on the picket line of the 9-week Monfort meatpacker strike in Greeley, Colorado (see article on page 5).

Dear CWP,

I have come to you with an aim, that through your newspaper, a newspaper which has never feared to print working class sentiment, I can reach the workers. Your newspaper, through the Communist Workers Party (WVO), has given concrete leadership to thousands and thousands of workers who have been in need and who were tired of hearing promises from bureaucrats and sell-outs, as we better call them.

Right now we hear Carter talking to the country and the rest of the world about his doctrines pertaining to human rights. Fellow workers, do you think he is saying the truth? Especially when it is him and the companies who increase the prices of goods which are produced by millions of workers who consume these same goods but can barely afford them with our low salaries; this is why we demand higher wages for our work.

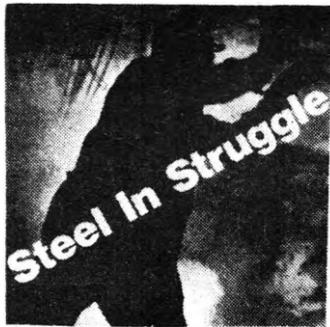
Monfort says they have lost \$7 million and that is the reason they offered us a 3 year contract with low salaries and wage freeze. Mr. Monfort says he is going bankrupt, but I do not believe these lies. Do you?

Internally, in the Monfort meat packing plant when someone gets hurt or has an accident, they would either bandage your whole leg or if possible your whole body, we look like mummies. After this they would tell you that you still had 4 hours before finishing, so go back to work and later you go to the doctor. Once the doctors remove the

bandages as if you were an animal, never considering your pain; he looks at you up and down and hands you over a slip of paper so you can get some aspirin, and another one stating that you will be ready to go to work the next day. You are never treated as a human. I feel this is unjust and that it is time we take the bandages off our eyes and start struggling for a better way of life.

At the Longmont Turkey Plant all the workers stopped working and demanded better working conditions and higher salaries. One union representative tried to brainwash the workers but he was unable to convince anyone. This was due to the fact that there was true courage and political consciousness among the workers. Neither the union representatives nor the the police could scare the workers. The owner of the plant, knowing that the majority of the workers were Mexicans, tried to scare them by telling that he has called immigration and would have them deported. But the workers boldly replied: "we don't care, we won't move from here no matter what." Finally they won part of their demands. We should learn from the 150 workers of the Longmont Turkey Plant, who went on strike and won, not worrying if it was legal or not.

Carter has called upon the working class to accept lower wages, saying that this will help end the inflation. Why doesn't he call upon the rich to lower the prices of goods so that those of us who produce these goods can live on our actual wages. Or why doesn't he take money from the monopoly capitalists to cover the deficits due to spending on nuclear weapons and war preparations? A war which will serve us no pur-



U.S. Steel Takeover We Built It—It's Ours!

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio—And once again the politicians came and talked . . . and talked and talked . . . From the mayor's office, to the governor's, to U.S. Senator Metzenbaum. They vied for the spotlight at the January 28 rally at Youngstown's United Steel Workers Local 1330 union hall, called to battle the closings of U.S. Steel's Ohio and McDonald Works. They mouthed the words "We support you, we're with you all the way."

But the 1,500 steelworkers and their families had come for more than talk. "Let's go down that hill!" "Jobs Now! We're sick of the politicians' talk."

Then Ed Mann, USW local president at U.S. Steel's Briar Hill Works in Youngstown (also being closed down) called for the charge. He quoted black abolitionist, Frederick Douglass: "If there is no struggle, there is no progress. Those who profess to freedom and yet deprecate agitation are men who want crops without plowing. They want rain without thunder and lightning."



On Jan. 28 7-800 steelworkers occupied the U.S. Steel building in Youngstown, Ohio protesting mill closings.

They want the ocean without the awful roar of its mighty waters. This struggle may be a moral one, or it may be physical, but it must be a struggle. Power concedes nothing without a demand. It never did and it never will!"

"So we're going down that hill!"

At 11:20 a.m. Salt Springs Road filled with 1,000 enraged steelworkers storming down the short half block to U.S. Steel Corp. offices. At the bottom of the hill, U.S. Steel's lone guard saw the steelworkers streaming out of the union hall and ran to lock the heavy glass entrance doors. But the workers shattered the glass and smashed in the doors. The

guard raised his can of Mace—and reconsidered. The wave of hundreds of steelworkers swept him against the wall.

"Everybody in, everybody in," yelled Ed Mann. "This is your building, you built it, it belongs to you!" From the windows on all four floors banners flew and the occupiers hung out their signs. Inside, the steelworkers discovered the exec's plush rec room, and overran the pool table and exercise bikes. They ate the food too. Younger steelworkers covered the roof and with a loudspeaker led the picket line already formed in front of the building in chants, "We Want Jobs! We Want Jobs!"

Local 1330 President Vas-

quez and other area union officials are calling for government aid so the steelworkers themselves can buy and run the phased-out plants. Most steelworkers see this as "pressuring the government." They don't believe the worker-ownership scheme will work but see no other alternative. While a few "we want Kennedy" signs float around, most signs say simply, "Jobs Now."

At 5:25 p.m. President Vasquez came to the 700-800 workers to ask them to trade militancy for patience. U.S. Steel had agreed to meet with the union if the building were surrendered. He was met with boos and catcalls by the occupiers who threatened to take matters into their own hands. But in a gut-wrenching move they followed the leadership

and evacuated, some demanding to know, "why did we take it if we're only giving it back?"

The workers' next step is to get onto buses to Washington, D.C. for local union testimony before Senator Rawlings on U.S. Steel Responsibility for the Workers on Feb. 5.

Across the tracks, down the valley next door, is the Jones & Laughlin works (formerly Youngstown Sheet and Tube) that was shut down two weeks ago. It is a ghost haunting these men. Who is going to stand up and fight for them—the politicians got exposed by holding back when the occupation began and later joining the picket outside. The international union rep refused to join the rally or the occupation, just as he refused to join the Nov. 30 march on U.S. Steel's Pittsburgh headquarters. (See *WV*, Dec. 10, 1979) The workers have found they have to rely on themselves. "I might be too old to get hired, but I ain't too old to fight." □

AT&T Strips Workers' Right to Armed Self-defense

WASHINGTON, D.C.—"If they can fire you for defending yourself, they can fire us for anything." On Jan. 25 AT&T (American Telephone & Telegraph), the largest private employer in the U.S., fired Jody Ansell, a supporter of the Communist Workers Party and member of the Revolutionary Youth League. According to the AT&T bosses, Jody was fired because she was "convicted of a felony" for having a gun for self-defense on her way to the Nov. 11 funeral march for the Communist Workers Party 5 in Greensboro.

When Jody asked the bosses where they got the information about her convictions, they said it was a "matter of public record," that she was convicted of a felony. To fire Jody, the company is forced to lie through their teeth. It is a matter of public record that Jody and 13 others going to the funeral were convicted of *misdemeanors* and given a year suspended sentence for practicing their right to armed self-defense. AT&T has to openly lie, trying to make Jody look like a "hardened criminal," to try and get rid of this young class fighter.

Jody, a member of Communications Workers of America (CWA) Local 2350, is a respected fighter for the workers at AT&T Long Lines. Recently, she led a successful petition drive to remove a do-nothing shop steward and fight for more democracy in the union. Several workers have stated Jody should be their steward. The reason she isn't is because the union bureaucrats

appoint stewards, denying workers the right to choose their own.

The workers realize that an attack on one is an attack on all and nearly all have stated their support for Jody. One worker told her, "AT&T wants you out because you are taking a stand. Other people have been convicted and they are still here. It's not fair!" Another stood unshakably with the masses' right to armed self-defense: "After what happened to the Communist Workers Party 5, it would have been foolish to go down there without a gun." And another warned, "If they ever try to come and get my stuff (his weapons), there is going to be a lot of trouble!"

AT&T has said that it plans to have fewer employees at the end of 1980 than they had at the end of '79. They are refusing to replace workers who retire, and they are using every excuse they can to fire others. The company is using new computer systems to replace skilled workers, and paying those who are left less money because they "don't see why they should pay workers when the computers make the jobs easier."

The cutback in workers means speed-ups and forced overtime. Like workers all across the U.S., AT&T workers' anger and resistance is rising. In December, AT&T workers were ready to walk the picket lines beside workers of Chesapeake and Potomac Phone Co. (a subsidiary of AT&T) before their strike was sold out by the union misleaders. *Continued on page 5*

Outcry Against Steel Imports Feeble Echo of '77 Crisis

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Negotiations for the 1980 steel contract affecting 450,000 workers opened Feb. 5 amidst the industry's cries it is in deep distress. What is its remedy for this ailment? 1) Closing 16 U.S. Steel plants, keeping only high-profit steel running, 2) Putting no new investment into steel, but investing in more quick-profit industries like chemical and utilities, 3) After guaranteeing that 13,000 steelworkers will be on the streets with the closings, U.S. Steel plans to crack down on those still employed in a push for "productivity". Read: the steel companies are running on hi-test profit, sucked from the workers' lifeblood. And even U.S. Steel refuses to invest in steel today.

Now there's a renewed cry against steel imports, as a remedy for sick American steel. In an American Iron and Steel Institute document, the companies call for "stricter enforcement of trade laws". Is this an echo of the 1977 steel crisis, when both the companies and the union hacks were hysterical with chauvinist cries that Johann and Yukio are taking John Doe's job?

One Wall Street analyst explains why it's different today: "... the government isn't likely to clamp down on steel imports when it needs all the help it can get from European and Japanese allies in the face of the Russian invasion of Afghanistan and the hostage crisis in Iran . . . Can you imagine Secretary of

State Vance going over to Europe and telling them that they can't export any more steel to the United States because U.S. Steel is getting mad, and then telling them that they shouldn't export to Russia either? He'd be thrown off the Continent".

While the U.S. super-power bully sharpens up its chauvinist daggers, preparing for world war and fascism, why are they hesitating on escalating another trade war in steel like 1977? The world situation is different from three years ago. With U.S. imperialism on the strategic decline and the danger of world war and fascism much sharper in the last few months, with the stepped-up contention between the two super-powers and intensifying contradictions between the U.S. and the second world countries (Europe and Japan), the U.S. bourgeoisie has a lot fewer options to save themselves in the 80's. □

Meat Packers Challenge Slaughterhouse Union-busting

GREELEY, Colorado—On January 11th, Monfort of Colorado meat packers returned to work and began grinding beef. Due to Monfort's union-busting tactics, the workers of United Food and Commercial Workers Local 641 returned without a contract. However, they don't intend to be led to the slaughter. Not after two and a half months of battling Monfort's unionbusting tactics. Not after the lessons they gained from their bitter strike!

Meat packing is a rough and dangerous job. After a full shift, you go home with blood-soaked aprons and the stench of cowhides. There is the ever-present danger of being cut with knives and saw blades. But the greatest danger is the bloodthirsty bosses who desperately try to carve away workers' livelihood. Local 641 meat packers got a bad taste of Monfort's unionbusting tactics when their contract expired last November 1st. Even though their Greeley plant cut the work force by 20%, Monfort offered a 3 year wage freeze and cuts in health benefits, breaks and vacations. In addition, Monfort wants to give plant sanitation work to outside, non-union contractors and smash the grievance procedure. One worker said, "They will give the foremen the complete right to do what he wants."

Outraged by this slap in the face, Monfort meat packing workers overwhelmingly voted "Strike." The whole county geared up for the strike as 24 hour picket lines were set up. Al Frente de Lucha (a community organization the Communist Workers Party works in) and the Colorado Migrant Council planned a fundraiser. The broad support from the

predominantly Chicano community helped the workers stand firm and militant. On December 23rd, nearly 1,400 people marched through Greeley to support the Monfort workers. They were organized by unions throughout the state of Colorado. \$50,000 in cash, food and children's toys were raised.

Monfort is the third largest manufacturer in Colorado and the king of the meat industry in the area. The strikers angrily saw through Monfort's pleas of bankruptcy. "Monfort says they have lost \$7 million, but I do not believe these lies. Do you? Mr. Monfort spent \$1 million and a half on a new plane, bought two more meat packers and remodeled the Greeley plant, expanding it and taking advantage to the last hair and wasting not even a drop of saliva. Does this sound like bankruptcy?" In fact, Ken Monfort is living high off the hog with his meat packing business. In the past three years, Monfort bought several new plants costing more than \$50 million. He bought another plant after the strike began to maintain his production and profits.

Strikebreaking and Union-Busting—Dangerous Precedent in Colorado

Monfort stepped up its strikebreaking. Using courts, they ordered the pickets from blocking the plant gates so their scabs could crawl in. The police, whom Monfort gave \$12,500 to buy special equipment such as night sticks and gas masks, provoked fights with workers and even arrested one for felonious assault on an automobile. (He kicked a scab's car). These attacks led to 28 arrests on the picket line.

Lacking firm support from gain her job. On the day she was fired, she and some friends met workers on their way out of the building, leafletted and talked about what happened. Workers are circulating a petition, calling for her rehiring with full back pay and her record cleared. Sensing that the workers are angry about this unjust firing, the union leadership is taking up the case (although with less than a year on the job she has little official union protection).

As Robert Williams, a staunch advocate of the people's right to bear arms and a fighter against the Klan, said in the 60's, "Self-defense prevented bloodshed." And as thousands of workers across the U.S. know from fighting for their basic right to a union, no union was built without a gun. In the militant fighting tradition of U.S. workers, UPHOLD THE RIGHT TO ARMED SELF-DEFENSE! □



On Dec. 23, 1,400 people turned out in the streets of Greeley, Colorado to support the Monfort meatpacking workers who struck for 2½ months against a 3-year wage freeze offer. They were forced back to work without a contract. Their struggle against unionbusting and for a decent wage is not over.

the union's leadership, these 28 arrested workers found it very hard to defend themselves. Many stood alone when they went to court, like lambs being thrown to the wolves. Monfort completed the butchering by refusing to consider rehiring these 28 workers.

In a desperate attempt to break the strike, Monfort announced that he would reopen the plant on January 14th. He would replace the strikers with new workers. This meant that the strikers would be replaced

and they would lose their jobs to scabs. This set a dangerous unionbusting precedent. You can bet Monfort will eventually try to get these new workers to vote to decertify the union. Several years ago, the Coors Brewery was able to bust a long strike by using this tactic. In Colorado, three other meat packing plants presently face meat cutters' strikes. They now plan to use the same tactics as Monfort—threatening to reopen the plant with scabs in order to force the strikers back

to work without a contract.

Nine weeks of determination, of struggle and sacrifice will not disappear. It was true that the workers were hurting with mortgages due and behind on car payments. However, they had gained great unity and were more committed to a strong union. Many strikers were fighting mad about being railroaded back to work and are ready to deal with any scab rather than go deeper into poverty with a lousy three year contract. □

Another Blow Against Redbaiting G.E. Workers: Re-elect Cathy!

OAKLAND, Ca.—On February 3, as a resounding rejection of the redbaiting campaign, Cathy Scolieri was nominated for re-election as union president of Local 853, International Union of Electrical, Radio and Machine workers (IUE). She, along with several other fighters nominated for other offices, are all committed to thoroughly defeating the company, the sell-out international, and the local union puppets and building the strongest union General Electric has ever seen.



Cathy Scolieri, president of IUE Local 853, nominated for re-election as G.E. workers fight attempts to redbait and divide them.

Scab redbaiters tried to steal her post as president due to a clause in the constitution forbidding communists to hold office. But because of her reputation as a fighter, the Committee to Defend Cathy (made up of GE workers), has been able to make headway against redbaiting attacks trying to ride on the years of prejudice and misconception many of the workers have against communism.

In a court case won by lawyers Dan Siegel and Alan Yee on January 23, Cathy got an injunction against the union for carrying on illegal persecution of her for her views as a communist. "They (the international hacks and local union puppets) should be charged with felony redbaiting and assault with a deadly ideology, but alas, we must remember whose court we're in," wrote an ex-law student who observed the case.

The legal victory was won because of the strong rank and file support at GE and throughout the Bay Area. Fighting the attacks in every possible arena including the courts is one step at chipping away at the fear that redbaiting breeds in some of the workers.

Since the bourgeoisie is casting a shadow over the workers movement with the recent firings and political assassinations of friends and members of the Communist Workers Party nationally, Cathy's victory is significant. Every step forward, no matter how small, in busting up the redbaiting attacks is important, because we are not fighting by surrendering our principles in a stampede of fear. Every step is a real blow which stands firm with the working class interests and furthers the fight against the bourgeoisie's preparations for world war and fascism.

The Committee to Defend Cathy circulated a petition demanding all charges be dropped. They talked to other workers defending her good work uniting the union and fighting the company over the past two years. As one worker said, "she's one of the best fighters we've had here at GE. She has taken a stand against the company for their discrimination policies and fought for us. If that's what communism is, then I'm all for it." The work of the Committee is a good basis to build the re-election campaign. □

AT&T....

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A political firing by AT&T three years ago highlighted the company's total disregard for the right of workers to hold political beliefs or engage in political activities hostile to AT&T. A management telephone employee attended the 1976 May Day demonstration sponsored by the Communist Workers Party (then Workers Viewpoint Organization). During a confrontation with police he was arrested. AT&T suspended him based on the traditional capitalist concept that a private employer has an absolute right to fire a worker for reason or no reason, just or unjust.

With the workers on her side, and with the more organized strength of being in the union, Jody is fighting to re-

Congress of Democratic Kampuchea Maps New Strategic Policy to Defeat U.S.S.R./Vietnam Part I



A year before Soviet troops poured into Afghanistan, the U.S.S.R. egged on and backed Vietnam's invasion of socialist Kampuchea (Cambodia). The Vietnamese revisionist leadership are pouring in hundreds of thousands of troops and installed a puppet government. In the last few weeks, over 50,000 Vietnamese troops have bombed and shot defenseless women and children in

refugee camps near Phnom Melai and Phnom Chat (towns along the Thai-Kampuchea border). But the Kampuchean people, led by the Communist Party of Kampuchea and its chairman, Pol Pot, are fighting back and are drowning the invaders in a raging sea of protracted people's war. The invaders predicament in Kampuchea is a sign of what awaits the Soviet imperialists in Afghanistan.

the Vietnamese aggressors. Finally, the Congress improved the composition of the government to best implement the new policy, such as choosing Khieu Samphan as Prime Minister, Ieng Sary as Deputy Prime Minister in charge of Foreign Affairs, and setting up a Supreme Commission of the National Army with Pol Pot as Chairman and Commander-in-Chief. These were unanimous decisions of the Congress.

Democratic Kampuchea, Dec. 18, 1979

I. General situation of the country—1979

... Through the experience of the repeated failures of its strategy of aggression and land-grabbing in Kampuchea the Le Duan (revisionist head of Vietnam—ed.) clique then started applying its strategy to attack and seize at once Phnom Penh and the whole of Kampuchea through its "lightning-attack, lightning-victory" strategy which in its minds would annihilate the forces of Democratic Kampuchea at one go, thus preventing all resistance both from Kampuchean forces and from international opinion. It thought that once it has seized the whole of Kampuchea, the international opinion could do no-

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On December 15-17, 1979, a Congress of the Standing Committee of the Assembly of the Kampuchean People's Representatives was held. The Congress summed up the present situation in the country. It mapped out a new strategic policy that "the major and sacred task of the Kampuchean people is to defeat

The following are excerpts from the statement issued by the Congress which we are reprinting in a 3-part series—editor.

Statement of The Congress Of The Assembly of the Kampuchean People's Representatives. . .

British Governor in Zimbabwe: "Half the Country Infiltrated by ZANU"

Over 250,000 Zimbabweans welcomed the return of Robert Mugabe (leader of the Zimbabwe African National Union) to his homeland on January 27th. The British colonial governor Soames had blocked his return to the country for two weeks. The reason was clear as the masses poured out in the largest turnout for any political leader in Zimbabwe.

Soames Scapegoats ZANU, Threatens to Ban Them From Elections

As the election date draws near—Feb. 27 to 29—the British and puppet Muzorewa are desperate. There were two assassination attempts against Mugabe in the last week. A grenade was thrown at Mugabe's home and later, 80 lbs. of explosives blew up right behind his car as he was heading to the airport after a political rally. Soames said nothing about political violence and intimidation at these assassination attempts. Yet when a

bus carrying 16 black civilians were ambushed, Soames blamed ZANU, announcing that he has the power to ban campaigning by political parties and candidates that "encourage or condone intimidation of voters." According to the *New York Times*, both Mugabe and Nkomo (head of the Zimbabwe African People's Union) have said that the drunken, rag-tag mercenary army of Muzorewa was responsible. But instead of taking any action against Muzorewa, Soames banned Enos Nkala, one of ZANU's senior representatives, from campaigning because Nkala exposed how Britain is rigging the elections. ZANU has threatened to resume the armed struggle if Britain continued with her dirty tricks.

Muzorewa stated that "no sane person could expect his group to accept a Mugabe victory at the polls if political violence in the tribal areas continue," and threatened to pull out of the cease-fire agreement. "He's afraid. He now sees how the elections are going. He is

going to lose." responded ZANU. The morale of Muzorewa's troops are at an all time low—there are even reports that his soldiers have shot themselves while drinking in bars.

No matter how afraid the British and Muzorewa are of a Mugabe victory, it would be almost impossible for them to hold off the elections now. There would be massive protest from the Zimbabwean people and other countries. On February 2, the African countries pushed a resolution through the U.N. Security Council calling on Britain to stop discriminating against the Patriotic Front (ZANU and ZAPU) and favoring Muzorewa.

The Real Provokers and Intimidators are Britain and Muzorewa

The resolution called for: the removal of all remaining South African troops, the return of exiles, the release of political prisoners, keeping Rhodesian Army forces and mercenaries restricted to their base, equal treatment for all parties, and the end of the emergency rules (press censorship and curfews) obstructing a free election. The condemnation of these acts committed by Britain and Muzorewa shows who is really provoking violence and intimidating voters.

The resolution passed 14 to 0, with Britain refusing to participate even though they have veto power. No doubt Britain swallowed the vote under pressure from the U.S. who fear the Soviet imperialists will step in if the armed struggle in Zimbabwe continues.

Independence and Initiative is Key

The cease-fire agreement has worked to the advantage of the liberation forces and back-fired on Britain and Muzorewa. Soames has complained that ZANU has already infiltrated half of the country. The key is the independence and initiative of the liberation forces. ZANU still has 9,000 troops outside the assembly points, and Kangai, ZANU's representative in the U.N. has made it clear, "if corrective measures aren't taken soon (referring to the British violations), we shall have not any alternatives besides that of continuing armed liberation struggle." □

WORLD IN STRUGGLE

KOREA STARTS REUNIFICATION TALKS

The Democratic People's Republic of Korea (DPRK—North Korea) Prime Minister Li Jong Ok proposed to South Korea on Jan. 12 that reunification talks be resumed. On Feb. 6, a 3-man delegation from both sides met at Panmunjom. DPRK proposed that the meetings alternate between DPRK's capital of Pyongyang and South Korea's capital of Seoul.

Ten million Koreans are separated from their family and reunification is the hope of all the Korean people. Although the U.S. wants reunification under capitalism the South Korean government is racked by internal power struggles and there's a growing mass movement demanding democratization and reunification. Whether genuine reunification under the socialist system of DPRK will prevail over capitalist South Korea remains to be seen.

SOVIET BEAR MEETS FIERCE AFGHAN RESISTANCE

Soviet troops are suffering an estimated 500 losses a week, with between 2,000 to 10,000 casualties in Afghanistan. Soldiers risk their life crossing the street in downtown Kabul as several have been killed by snipers. In the countryside, the Afghan guerrillas control most of the provinces of Nangarhar, Badakhshan and Paktia.

The Soviet Army is now snow-bound by the Afghan winter. Their sophisticated tanks and armored personnel carriers guard snowplows, desperately needed to keep supply lines open. Afghan fighters cut off Soviet supply lines by blowing up bridges and triggering massive avalanches that buried Soviet troops alive.



250,000 turn out to welcome ZANU head, Robert Mugabe's return. Black youth are wearing T-shirts saying vote ZANU.

New Mexico Prison Burns Amidst Liberal Silence

SANTA FE, New Mexico—It was the biggest prison uprising in the last 10 years. More than 500 inmates seized the New Mexico State Penitentiary on February 2. Taking 15 guards hostage, they held the prison for more than 36 hours, demanding better food, less harassment by prison officials, decent living conditions and the immediate firing of the Deputy Warden. The takeover ended when the state stormed the prison. The press has played up that "neither the State Police nor the guardsmen in riot gear and armed with tear gas and M-16 rifles fired a single shot". So far there are 35 known deaths.

Remember Attica? State Must Account For New Mexico Prison Deaths

All of the deaths have been pinned on the inmates. The papers played up stories of prisoners torturing the trustees, with blowtorches, meat cleavers and chopping axes. The *New York Times* quoted a fireman who said, "it was worse than anything that I ever saw in my combat years in Vietnam. Arms, heads, legs chopped off." While it may be true that some of those killed were snitches who deserved to die, the Attica uprising proved that when the state storms a prison, they will kill off the leaders and any witnesses who may have seen them do it. The state has to be held accountable for the truth about how all the prisoners died in the New Mexico uprising.

The inmates were not the drug-crazed manics that the papers made them out to be. They are the most downtrodden, oppressed and exploited of our class brothers. In New Mexico, it is no accident most of the inmates were Chicano and Mexicano. Capitalist hell is what drove them to crime in the first place. Once they are locked up in prison, they are at the mercy of the state. The prison system exercises complete control over every aspect of their lives. Most of the improvements in prison conditions that were won in the 60's have been or are being taken away. For these reasons, prisons nation-wide are tinderboxes just waiting to explode. New Mexico was the first of many waiting to happen. Just the day before New Mexico exploded, Attica State Prison in New York was locked down to cool off a potential rebellion. And in the last two months small rebellions have rocked Soledad State prison in California and the Washington State Penitentiary.

Silent "Liberals" Herald Coming Fascism

But the real significance of the New Mexico uprising lies mainly in the response of the American people. The Attica uprising, ten years earlier, held the undivided attention of the entire nation. Broad sections of Americans denounced the vicious tactics of Nelson Rockefeller (then governor of New York), who gave the command to storm the prison and murder the men. The petty bourgeois press was full of exposures of the brutality of the prison system. And big political campaigns were organized to take up the cases of the men who were framed up as a result of it.

Now, with the New Mexico uprising, the so-called liberals are silent. How did it come about that no one even questions

the role of the state in 35 deaths in New Mexico? Throughout the 70's, the capitalists have pushed irrationality and mindless murder through horror movies like the *Exorcist* and *Dawn of the Dead* and have played up mass murderers like the Son of Sam, Juan Corona, and "Stinky" the rapist. This creates an attitude of indifference among the people to the point that something like New Mexico is treated like everyday life in this "crazy world."

Who will stand up for the men in New Mexico? The American people's response will say a lot about how ready the bourgeoisie is to unleash fascism in this country. Already, the state prosecutors are calling for the death penalty for inmates who took part in the uprising. This clearly shows how the state will deal with future prisons uprisings as well as uprisings among other strata of American people, like another Levittown. If something like New Mexico can happen and people have nothing to say, how much longer will it be before the state come down on others and their next-door neighbor won't make a sound. □



National Guard patrolling the ruins of the New Mexico State prison—why is it that no one questions their role in 35 deaths in the New Mexico uprising.

FBI "Abscam" Sweeps Congress For the Bourgeoisie

No one's surprised by the recent FBI exposures of Congressmen—catching them with their pants down, knee-deep in taking bribes in exchange for setting up casinos in New Jersey, snagging military contracts in return for money, or altering immigration laws to fit wealthy foreigners fleeing revolution in their countries. Everyone knows that's the way Congress, dirty politicians and the U.S. government works.

Bourgeois Democracy: Ruling Class Rule Indirectly

Bourgeois democracy, the appearance of so-called checks and balances between the executive, legislative and judicial branches of government, is the best shell of capitalism. The bourgeoisie rule all the more surely because they rule indirectly. Rarely do you see a Rockefeller or Morgan directly in public office. Behind the appearance of democracy and elections, the ruling class keeps its hold tight through their hold on the media, backroom deals, bribery, through key appointments, think tanks, "charitable" institutions like the Ford Foundation, commissions, and so on. The Rockefellers and Morgans all know this and so does the repressive arms of the state like the FBI, so why all the fuss now?

Congress Blocked Up With Monopoly Capitalist Squabbling

In the past few years, Congress has been dragged down by the squabbling between representatives of this or that monopoly group or interest. The energy bill which Carter proposed in 1978 is an example. The energy bill (drafted by Nelson Rockefeller when he was governor of New York) provides for tax money to be pumped into energy research and technology. This research and technology would then go to big oil

for tax money to be pumped into energy research and technology. This research and technology would then go to big oil companies like Exxon (owned by Rockefeller). The bill has been deadlocked for two years now because other monopoly capitalists want a share of the loot too, and until they get it, their representatives in Congress are blocking the bill.

The FBI "Abscam" is aimed at cleaning house for the bourgeoisie so that bills like these can get through Congress. It is part of the objective process of streamlining and centralizing the government, preparing for world war and fascism.

Cover to Crackdown on CWP and Other Anti-Fascist, Anti-War Forces

The "Abscam" is part of the FBI's new direction which they claim will crack down on political corruption, organized crime and white-collar crime. And under the cover of cleaning up "corruption", the state legitimizes setups, wiretapping, mail-tampering and so on. Applying these same dirty tricks to murder and harass the Communist Workers Party, friends and other progressive fighters against fascism and World War III, the FBI will claim this is just "even-handed justice." □

Coming Forums

Sponsored by the Committees to Avenge the CWP 5

Feb. 16

Pittsburgh

Speakers: Dale Sampson (widow of Bill Sampson), Dwight Hopkins (CWP)

7:30 p.m. Cathedral of Learning, Rm. G8, University of Pittsburgh; Contact: (412) 461-1782

Seattle

Speakers: Flores Cauce (widow of Cesar Cauce), Phil Thompson

1700 23rd Ave., East Madison YMCA

Feb. 23

Los Angeles

Speakers: Dale Sampson, Phil Thompson, Nelson Johnson

7:00 p.m. Ward A.M.E., 1177 W. 25th Street, Contact: (213) 748-7741

Detroit

Speakers: Marty Nathan (widow of Mike Nathan), Dwight Hopkins

7:00 p.m. First Unitarian Church, 4605 Cass (near Forest), Contact: (313) 834-9636

Mar. 1

San Diego

Speakers: Dale Sampson, Phil Thompson,

7:00 p.m.; 2972 Clay Ave.; Contact: (714) 233-1500

AS THEY SEE IT

The Greensboro Record . . .

The following are excerpts from an article, "Impact of March Is Undetermined," in the Greensboro Record, February 4, 1980, p. A-1.

Numerically it was a success. The long line of marchers snaking through the downtown and out Lee Street Saturday was an impressive sight.

But whether the highly publicized march and rally signal the start of a major new left-wing movement in America remains to be proven.

The tone of the event was definitely radical, not merely leftist or liberal. The same revolutionary chants heard at the November funeral procession sponsored by the Communist Workers Party were sung again Saturday along the parade route and inside the Coliseum.

Banners and many speakers denounced not just the Ku Klux Klan and racism—the targets of the march and rally—but capitalism as well. Literature and newspapers being sold in the crowd were heavily laden with fiery revolutionary rhetoric.

The CWP was by far the noisiest group in the demonstration, despite supposedly being expelled from the event for refusing to pledge to leave its guns at home.

The widows of the five CWP members killed in the Nov. 3 incident with the Ku Klux Klan and American Nazis here were paraded across the stage. They stood at attention beside a CWP member from New York who was allowed to address the rally.

The CWP even got a plug from Wilmington 10 leader Ben Chavis, who received the loudest ovation of the more than 20 speakers appearing Saturday. Chavis, wearing his clerical collar and flanked by two body guards, said there is one man he will come to Greensboro anytime to help—Nelson Johnson, the leader of the local CWP organization.

Chavis also made his own political philosophy perfectly clear, declaring, "We must blot out capitalism and imperialism once and for all." Many in the audience jumped to their feet and roared approval.

Chavis and other speakers made old-time liberals such as Joseph Lowery of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and Dick Greenwood of the United Machinist Union sound like conservatives.

Lowery, who marched with Martin Luther King through the South in the 1960s, was battered by boos for making a negative comment about the Ayatollah Khomeini. Greenwood was hooted for denouncing violence as a way to achieve political ends. Several other speakers also were pelted with boos and cat-calls.

Larry York, long active in Greensboro's liberal community, conceded afterward that some of the rhetoric was "distressing," but he put the blame for the tone of the event squarely on Greensboro's municipal leaders. . . .

"I think Mayor Jim Melvin and City Manager Tom Osborne duped the people of Greensboro into thinking there was going to be violence. It scared a lot of people. With helicopters flying overhead, it sounded like a combat zone out there."

York was talking about the tight security along the march route and outside

the Coliseum. A National Guard helicopter hovered over the march; and police and highway patrolmen lined the streets. The National Guard was in waiting several blocks from the route, but was not called in. A state of emergency, declared by Mayor Melvin, was in effect. . . .

Saturday's political march was the second within three months in the city, the first being the CWP funeral procession in November. Will there be more? Only the Feb. 2 committee and the CWP know for sure. Some observers at Saturday's rally think future efforts by the mobilization committee probably will be in other cities. . . .

Time to reflect?

Editor of the Daily News:

As a long-time Greensboro resident, and after watching the circus of events growing out of the tragedy here on Nov. 3, several questions come to my mind.

Our city has been the focus of national attention because of Nov. 3. Why have those same government officials and community leaders who have bellyached the longest and loudest about the ruin of Greensboro's reputation as a "center of progressivism" been the very ones to make the biggest fools of themselves over such issues as (a) whether the Feb. 2 marchers could rent the Coliseum; (b) whether the CWP could march on Nov. 11 to bury their dead; (c) whether the widows of those killed could be granted a special prosecutor against the Klan; (d) threats from the government of infiltration of organizations like the CWP involved in organizing in the factories and communities; (e) numerous charges of intimidation and harassment by the government coming from the organizers of a march

that has been from the beginning described as "peaceful and non-violent."

If anyone has given this city a bad name, it is the police, the city government and the local media, who have consistently, since Nov. 3, made the victims of that tragedy out to be the guilty ones, and have used every method short of physical attack to suppress the organization of resistance to groups like the Ku Klux Klan and Nazis.

Why has the District Attorney's office all but stated publicly its position that the five people killed by the Klan and Nazis got what they deserved because they dared to call the Klan scum and cowards? These are the people responsible for prosecuting the Klan? From all indications, it looks to me like Nelson Johnson and the CWP are the ones who are going to wind up on trial over the killings of their own friends. This is ludicrous. It's the Wilmington 10 case all over again magnified 100 times.

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TURN THE COUNTRY UPS

Trial Against Nelson, Willena and Rand Postponed

The trials of Nelson Johnson, Willena Cannon and Rand Manzella have been postponed from Feb. 4th to Feb. 20th by the court, which did it to avoid the high sentiment of support from the successful Feb. 2 anti-Klan demonstration. The bourgeoisie calls it "justice" and "due process" when victims of KKK/Nazi assassins are put on trial because they are fighters of the working class and fighters against the Klan. Nelson Johnson faces charges of inciting to riot and resisting arrest. This is consistent with the Klan's defense that the Communist Workers Party provoked the killings and got what they deserved. That's also why conspiracy to commit

murder charges against the Klan/Nazis have been dropped.

The particular charges against Rand for being "armed to the terror of the people" is an attempt to make an example of the Communist Workers Party and scare the masses into disarming themselves. Deepening economic crisis met with increasing resistance sets the conditions for a new wave of Klan/Nazi terror with full government backing. The CWP upholds the right of armed self-defense against all violent attacks. Any other line sets the people up for the kill. The great revolutionary Malcolm X understood this. He clearly expressed this message in a

telegram to George Lincoln Rockwell of the American Nazi party in the 60's. "If your racist agitation leads to harm of Martin Luther King or any other Afro-American, you will be met with maximum physical retaliation by those of us who are not held in check by the disarming philosophy of non-violence."

The arrest of the three comrades is a direct attack on the working class and its leaders just like the murder of the CWP 5. The bourgeoisie is afraid of the organizing strength of our comrades and their communist leadership taking deep root in the class. That's why since the Nov. 3 killing, the bourgeois media has totally blacked

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Five comrades of the Communist Party died a glorious death fighting against the agents, the KKK, Nazis, and the bourgeoisie in Greensboro, North Carolina. They were charging the enemy, fully aware of the consequences. They were in the most conscious position. If they fell another Party member would step into their place and continue the struggle. They knew that defying the enemy was the only proletarian way to achieve the dictatorship of the proletariat and the end of capitalism. These five comrades are immortal in the Communist Party tradition, staunch character and brave hearts. They were CWP, and they will live forever in the hearts of Party members and the working class.

This brutal assassination of the Communist Party members of the bourgeoisie is desperately stepping back and preparing for fascism. If the Communist Workers Party were in broad daylight on TV cameras, the bourgeois would watch it, and then one-half would not even be arrested, and get away with it. They would definitely step up attacks on all Party members.

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Are we so jaded by self-centeredness and complacency that we can fault people who are willing to make that kind of sacrifice? There is something deeper here that can't be explained away by words like "fanaticism" or "extremism."

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TURN THE COUNTRY UPSIDE DOWN TO AVENGE

Against Willena and Rand Postponed

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telegram to George Lincoln Rockwell of the American Nazi party in the 60's. "If your racist agitation leads to harm of Martin Luther King or any other Afro-American, you will be met with maximum physical retaliation by those of us who are not held in check by the disarming philosophy of non-violence."

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This brutal assassination is a clear signal that the bourgeoisie is desperately stepping up violent repression and preparing for fascism. If the ruling class can have the Communist Workers Party 5 killed in cold blood, in broad daylight on TV cameras, and millions of Americans watch it, and then one-half of the murderers are not even arrested, and get away with it, then they will definitely step up attacks on all progressive people.

The only way the bourgeoisie can get out of this deep economic crisis is through a world war. And with thousands and millions of Americans waking up and fighting back, they will have to try to impose fascism to go to war and maintain their rule.

In the face of this the Party is growing stronger everyday. From the Nov. 11 funeral march in Greensboro in which we openly carried arms and beat the bourgeoisie's pigs and tanks to the Feb. 2nd demonstration where we helped rally thousands from all over the U.S. against the KKK/Nazis.

There are only two possible paths—either World War III and fascism or socialist revolution. And if we can't prevent a world war, we will turn it into a civil war and overthrow the bourgeoisie anyway.

The Communist Workers Party is calling on all workers and progressive people to stand up and be counted, to come forward to join the ranks of the Communist Workers Party. Only through building the Party by recruiting wave upon wave of class fighters can we avenge the murder of the CWP 5, beat back fascism, prevent world war, and move on to destroy this whole damn capitalist system. □

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lyzed in his left hand and two legs, he is more determined than ever. In his speech, he denounced the hypocrisy of bourgeois democracy under capitalism. "I want to draw out one lesson. The constitution guarantees us free speech. If you speak freely, you'll be gunned down in the street. Our constitution guarantees the freedom to assemble. For February 2, through maneuvers, they are trying to keep us from marching. The constitution gives us the right to bear arms. On November 3rd, Rand Manzela was arrested for "armed to the terror of the people" for having a gun and protecting himself from the assassins. This is a dictatorship they have, and if their rule is threatened, they will back up their rule with violence. And not just socialists. Everyone knows Martin Luther King was gunned down just like our five comrades." □

Paul and Sally Bermanzohn raise their fists in fighting determination at the February 2nd anti-Klan rally in Greensboro, North Carolina.

Floris, widow of Cesar Cauce, nodded as Paul told the audience about a lady in Chatham county who watched video tapes of the shooting and saw Cesar taking on the Klan. She told them that somehow she knew Cesar felt the same way about people as she felt about her children. The audience was very moved as speaker after speaker talked about the lives of the five fallen comrades.

Guided by the revolutionary examples of the adults before them and the inspiration of Paul's strength, 11-year old Alex (stepson of Jim Waller) and his young friend delighted the audience with their enthusiasm and vigor. "We're going to seize everything and give it to the people that work," they shouted together as they recited "Good Morning Revolution." □

KAMPUCHEA

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thing against it. That is why it did its utmost to mobilize huge forces composed of crack troops assisted by a host of Soviet tanks and artillery to launch a far more violent offensive against Democratic Kampuchea on December 25, 1978. The balance of forces at that time in every battle-field throughout the country was 6 to 7 Vietnamese aggressors' soldiers to one fighter of Democratic Kampuchea. . .

But they have failed to achieve their "lightning-attack, lightning-victory" strategy. The war keeps going on and the Vietnamese are compelled to use their own troops. Consequently, the Le Duan clique is rather driven into the protracted war strategy of the Kampuchean army and people. . .

In the last rainy season, after drawing experiences from our struggle over the last dry season, we carried out the guerrilla war line and the guerrilla attacks as a fundamental form of fighting while using commando attacks and annihilating attacks as secondary forms of fighting. In this way, we were able to preserve our own forces. . .

From January to the end of September 1979 we inflicted 70,000 casualties on the Vietnamese enemy. . . in the course of the dry season we inflicted 40,000 casualties on it and in the course of the last rainy season we inflicted 30,000 more casualties. In addition, the enemy forces suffered great losses due to various diseases, especially malaria. Besides, the fighting spirit of the Le Duan clique's soldiers was getting down

very fast. Up to ten thousand of them defected, either fleeing back to their own country or abroad or deliberately getting themselves incarcerated by categorically refusing to go to fight.

In short, throughout the dry season 1979, the Vietnamese "lightning-attack, lightning victory" strategy met with complete failure. And their rainy season 1979 plan to destroy and wipe out our army and our guerrillas suffered a crushing defeat too.

Now, we have come to the new dry season 1979-1980 for nearly 3 months already. How is the military situation between the Vietnamese enemy and us? . . .

In the first phase of their dry season offensive in October and November, the Vietnamese aggressors met with fundamental failure as they did not achieve their goal to wipe out our forces and take over the North Eastern region and the Central region and to withdraw their forces to the Western part of Kampuchea. On the contrary, the enemy's forces are now getting more and more bogged down in every battle-field throughout the country.

At present, our battle-fields in which we are fiercely fighting the Vietnamese enemy are stretching out all in one block from Koh Kong, Kampong Som, the Cardamones, Samlaut, Pailin, Malay, Thmar Puok, the Northern region, the Central region up to the North Eastern region.

Besides, we are carrying out guerrilla activities everywhere throughout the country. . .

Moreover. . . Vietnam economy is in a shambles. Officially, the Le Duan clique has declared that they are suffering more than four million and a half tons of food shortage this year. . . They



These patriotic Kampuchean guerrillas show the determination that will drive the Soviet-backed Vietnamese invaders out.

are begging around to feed their people in their own country and also to feed their war of aggression and expansion both in Kampuchea and in Laos. . .

On the international area, the Le Duan clique is stinking like a corpse already. In fact, the 14 November 1979 resolution of the 34th United Nations General Assembly by 91 votes to 21 calling for the withdrawal of all the Vietnamese forces of aggression from Kampuchea clearly shows the unanimous condemnation of the Le Duan clique's war of aggression and racial extermination. . .

The Le Duan clique is doing its utmost to exterminate the innocent people of Kampuchea in the most barbarous and most fascist manner through three methods:

—first: They use all kinds of military weapons

—second: They destroy our economy,

our foodstuffs, our production implements and starve our people to death —third: They use toxic chemicals

In such a situation, the Vietnamese war of aggression against Kampuchea is not an ordinary war of aggression, expansion and land-grabbing, it is a special war of extermination of the Kampuchean race, the fascism of which is beyond human understanding and is far more barbarous than in the time of Hitler. . .

As for the humanitarian aids, the whole mankind has sent from everywhere the world over in order to rescue the Kampuchean people, they have all been plundered by the Vietnamese enemy who uses them to strengthen its own troops in order to pursue its special war of racial extermination in Kampuchea. . .

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No longer "restricted" by the pressure of keeping up a legal image, it would give the state more freedom to step up selective repression against the Communist Workers Party and others who challenge the government. In fact, the state is already tampering with the Communist Workers Party's mail. For years, they've opened our mail and prevented subscriptions to *Workers Viewpoint* from reaching us and newspapers from getting to our subscribers. The government has continued this in spite of our repeated, written complaints. In January, North Carolina governor Hunt publicly called for State and Federal authorities to work together in stepping up infiltration of "extremist" groups (meaning the Communist Workers Party). And this is without the new freedoms that Carter's secret court would allow.

Carter & Kennedy Compete To Fill Capitalist "Void In Leadership"

Carter's secret court is the latest gust in a "right-wing" wind that's blowing hard on the American political scene today. Both Carter and Kennedy are competing to show that each is a stronger leader than the other. Each wants to prove to the ruling class and the public opinion creating strata of American society that he can fill the void in leadership and turn around the bourgeoisie's "crisis of confidence" better than the other.

Carter kicked it off by whipping up chauvinism against Iran around the

U.S. hostages. There wasn't much else he could do given the weakness of U.S. imperialism economically, militarily and especially politically at home (see *WV*, Jan. 21, 1980, "U.S. People Must Prepare Against World War III and Fascism"). Kennedy tried to rally the liberal vote by calling the Shah of Iran a "criminal" and got whipped in the polls.

Carter, seeing that his image as a strong leader was boosted among the bourgeoisie and media, followed up with the grain embargo against the Soviet Union and the call to boycott the Moscow Olympics. Again these were limited options he had, given the overall decline of U.S. imperialism, which he got a lot of political mileage out of. Kennedy finally caught on and called for immediate gas rationing and permanent wage and price caps in his Georgetown University speech in January. And now Carter's proposed his secret court.

Independent of their will, the bourgeoisie is driven by the economic crisis toward fascism and world war as their political options get cut off one by one. Carter and Kennedy's competition for the backing of the bourgeoisie and media in the coming election speeds up this objective process. It is this interaction between the objective trend and Carter and Kennedy's individual motives that is driving the right-wing wind forward.

U.S. "A Much More Brittle System Today"

Will there be massive outrage and

protest against Carter's secret court? If people's response to the recent deaths of 39 inmates in a New Mexico prison is any indication, probably not (See "New Mexico Prison Burns" in this issue). No one has spoken out for the prisoners, certainly not the silent "liberals" who prefer to blame the inmates for the massacre than even question the state's role. These are the same muddle-headed liberals and careerists who swallow the KKK/Nazi and government lie that the Communist Workers Party "provoked" our five comrades' assassination on Nov. 3. They are the ones who allow the bourgeoisie's scapegoat tactics to split and weaken people's resistance to fascism and World War III to work. They are helping the bourgeoisie at a time when capitalism is at an all time low.

Before World War II, people believed in the American system. They had faith in the New Deal and the American Dream. Things are very different today. The U.S. can no longer export economic crisis to third and second world countries. Today, the American Dream is dead and people don't believe anymore that the U.S. has the best system in the world.

The U.S. today is more like Germany in the 30's. At that time the Weimar Republic, the German form of bourgeois democracy, collapsed under

the wrenching economic crisis It brought on the naked confrontation between the communists, anti-fascists and anti-war forces on the one hand and the bourgeoisie, represented by Hitler and the Nazi movement, on the other.

"People didn't accept the Weimar Republic, and when an enormous crisis came they deserted to the right and the left. . . The German system was brittle. Now, I'd say we've got a much more brittle system today," commented Seymour Lipset, sociologist and political scientist, in a *U.S. News & World Report* interview.

As the massive attacks come down in the '80s, people will resist. Recent demonstrations and conferences against draft registration and world war (see article in this issue) are good signs that this is already happening. People are looking for leadership and solutions. They will embrace either the fascist solution of the bourgeoisie or the real solution of Communists—socialist revolution.

The 80's gives us a rare opportunity to unite and influence the broadest sections of American society against fascism and world war. It gives us a chance to lead the whole American people to beat back these attacks, take state power and build a bright, socialist future. □

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