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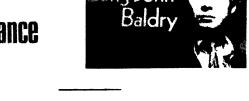
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The most famous of McLean's trials was in the High Court in Edinburgh in May, 1918. Here he made his defiant statement to the Scottish bourgeoisie:

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One therefore turns to Purdie's introduction to this new pamphlet for some clarification of what McLean's speech can teach revolutionary workers today. It is not very helpful.

Indeed he hardly mentions the speech he is supposed to be introducing. He says simply:

'In the tradition of all great revolutionaries McLean used the dock as a tribune from which to denounce the war and capitalism, and in the tradition of vindictive bourgeois justice he was sentenced to five years' penal servitude.'

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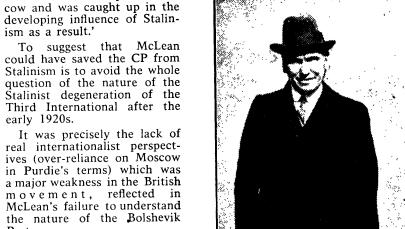
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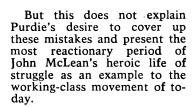
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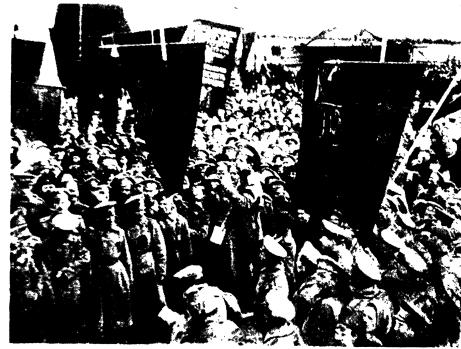
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coveries, military innovations.

Social laws

Capitalism is not just a

system of waste and destruc-

tion against which the workers

It is a social-economic for-

mation subject to historical

laws of development whose

fate depends upon the ability

of the proletariat to grasp the

struggle, overthrow capitalism

and establish the planned

of the actual meaning of the

recent discoveries for our

Finally, there is the question

of these laws in

must revolt . . . or else.

economy of socialism.

The laws of development of

developing

actually

overthrow capitalism.

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etc.

nature

class against capitalism, and through his 'boundless courage', as Lenin said, kept alive the best traditions in the Scottish working-class movement.

the struggle of the working

But forces of bourgeois society - physical and ideological — ultimately defeated him and prevented him from taking up the fight for Leninism and the Third International in the period 1919-1923.

To try and conceal the nature of this defeat in the name of uncritical hero-worshipping, is to desecrate the name of a most courageous revolutionary, John McLean.

understanding of the natural world.

more scientists are being forced to the need for a dialectical instead of an empiricist understanding of nature. The isolation of a pure

As FC points out, many

gene (shown in the electronmicroscope photograph accompanying both FC's and M. Zarrop's articles) is of course one further nail in the coffin of all theological and idealist views of the nature of life.

The fact that within capitalism, as a necessary outcome of the needs of production and associated research, this knowledge develops and shakes the foundations of all fixed, metaphysical interpretations of the world, is once again part of the irresistible progress of the productive forces, above all of the class of producers itself, which lays the basis for the consciousness necessary to remove by revolutionary means the outworn capitalist relations of production.

SATURDAY

ITV

12 noon Weather. 12.05 p.m. Casey Jones. 12.25 Zokkol 12.45 Grandstand. 12.55 Football Preview. 1.10, 1.40, 2.40, 4.30 Rallycross. 1.20, 1.50, 2.20 Racing From Newbury. 1.30 Newton Novices' Hurdle Race. 2.00 Wantage Novices' Steeplechase, 2.30 Geoffrey Gilbey Memorial Handicap Steeplechase. 2.55 Rugby Union: Ireland v. South Africa. gen and Scrambling from Hawke-4.50 Results Service. 5.15 Dr. stone Park. 4.00 Wrestling. 5.00 Who. 5.40 The Debbie Reynolds Results Service. 5.15 Doctor In Show.

6.05 News and Weather.

BBC 1

6.15 It's Cliff Richard. 6.45 High Adventure: 'The Last Voyage'.

With Robert Stack, Dorothy Malone, George Sanders and Edmond O'Brien. The tense struggle of a man to free , his wife trapped on a sinking ship.

8.15 The Val Doonican Show.

9.45 News and Weather.

1970 World Cup Draw. 11.30 Braden's Week.

12 midnight Weather.

9.00 Vanity Fair.

9.55 Match Of The Day Special: 10.45 The Untouchables.

With Rock Hudson and Piper Laurie. 9.35 News. 9.45 Saturday Night Theatre

11.40 All Our Yesterdays. 12.10 a.m. Modern Man - The

REGIONAL BBC

All regions as BBC-1 except at the following times: Midlands and East Anglia, South and West: 12.02 a.m. Weather.

North of England: 12.02 a.m. Northern News Summary. Scotland: During Grandstand: 2.10-2.20 p.m. Rugby Preview: Scotland v.

ULSTER: 12.50 p.m. London. 5.05
Ulster Sports Results. 5.15 Land Of
The Giants. 6.10 News. 6.15 Wheel
Of Fortune. 6.45 London. 8.05 Feature
Film: 'Circle of Danger', with Ray
Milland, Patricia Roc. An American
comes to England to investigate his
brother's death. 9.30 Tommy's Tavern.
10.00 News. 10.15 Theatre. 11.10 Man
In A Suitcase.

SOUTHERN: 12.22 p.m. Regional Weather. 12.25 Mad Movies. 12.50 London. 5.15 Tarzan. 6.10 News. 6.15 Michael Miles Quiz. 6.45 London. 8.05 Saturday Film: 'The Ceremony' with Laurence Harvey and Sarah Miles. The leader of a gang of bank robbers is caught and sentenced to death. His girlfriend plots his escape. 10.00 News. 10.10 Theatre. 11.10 News. 11.20 Peyton Place. 11.50 Weather.

WESTWARD: As Channel except: 12.35 a.m. Faith For Life. 12.41 Weather.

HARLECH: 12.25 p.m. Tinker and Taylor. 12.50 London. 5.15 Tarzan. 6.10 News. 6.15 Wheel Of Fortune. 6.45 London. 8.05 Saturday Cinema: Foreyte Saga', with Errol Flynn, Greer Garson, Walter Pidgeon, Janet Leigh and Robert Young. Love and hate by John Galsworthy. 10.00 News. 10.10 Theatre. 11.10 Late Night Cinema: Terror By Night', with Basil Rathbone and Nigel Stock. Sherlock Holmes. 12.20 a.m. Weather.

ANGLIA: 12.50 London. 5.15 Tarzan followed by Weather. 6.10 News. 6.15 Wheel Of Fortune. 6.45 London. 8.10 Bhowani Junction', with Ava Gardner, Stewart Granger and Bill Travers. 10.00 News, Weather. 10.15 Theatre. 11.10 Court Martial. 12.05 a.m. Reflection.

MIDLANDS: 11.55 a.m. All Our Yesterdays. 12.25 p.m. Captain Scarlet. 12.50 London. 5.15 Voyage To The Bottom Of The Sea. 6.10 News. 6.15 Parkin's Patch. 6.45 London. 8.10 Feature Film: 'A Walk On The Wild Side', with Laurence Harvey, Capucine, Barbara Stanwyck, Jane Fonda. Rough New Orleans brothel life. 10.00 News. 10.15 Theatre. 11.10 1 Spy followed by Weather.

don part one. 9.45 Review.

'Laffin Gas'.

11.10 a.m. Doctor On Call. 11.35 Taste and Style. 12.00 noon Thunderbirds. 12.50 p.m. News. 12.55 World of Sport. 1.00 On The Ball. 1.20 They're Off. 1.30, 2.00, 2.30, 3.00 Racing from Market Rasen. 1.45, 2.15, 2.45 Racing From Catterick. 3.10 International Sports Special: Skiing from Grindelwald and Wen-

5.50 Bonanza. 6.45 The John Davidson Show.

The House. 5.45 News.

7.35 Never A Cross Word.

8.05 'The Golden Blade'.

'Anniversary'. With Michael Bryant and Judy Cornwell. The husband has forgotten

Loser?

France. 2.55-4.30 International Rugby Union: Scotland v. France. 5.00-5.15, 10.40-11.30 Sportsreel. 12.02 a.m. Scottish News Headlines, Weather.

Wales: 12.25-12.45 p.m. Cadi Ha. 5.40 6.05 Disc A Dawn. Northern Ireland: 5.10-5.15 p.m. Sports Results, News Summary. 11.00 Square One.

REGIONAL ITV

CHANNEL: 12.50 p.m. London. 5.15 Tarzan. 6.10 National News. 6.15 Wheel Of Fortune. 6.45 London. 8.05 Saturday Film: 'Hud', with Paul Newman. 10.00 News. 10.10 Theatre. 11.10 Many Happy Returns: Barbara Hepworth. 11.40 Manhunt. 12.30 a.m. Weather.

Harlech (Wales) as above except: 12 noon-12.25 p.m. The Owl Service. 6.45-7.35 p.m. Hyd A Lled.

YORKSHIRE: 12.10 p.m. Paulus. 12.20 The Adventures of Seaspray. 12.50 London. 5.15 The Big Valley. 6.10 News and Weather. 6.15 The John Davidson Show. 7.00 Never A Cross Word. 7.30 Edgar Wallace. 8.30 'The Little Hut', with Ava Gardner, Stewart Granger, David Niven and Walter Chiari. Comedy about castaways on a desert island. 10.00 News and Weather. 10.10 Theatre. 11.10 The Avengers. 12.05 a.m. Weather. GRANADA: 11.25 a.m. Doctor On Call. 11.50 Ballet For All. 12.15 p.m. Stingray. 12.50 London. 5.15 Garrison's Gorillas. 6.10 News. 6.15 Never A Cross Word. 6.45 Saturday Western: 'Ten Wanted Men', with Randolph Scott, Jocelyn Brando and Richard Boone. 8.10 The John Davidson Show. 9.00 The Avengers. 10.00 News. 10.10 Theatre. 11.10 Journey To The Unknown.

TYNE TEES: 12.50 p.m. London. 5.15 Tarzan. 6.10 News. 6.15 Batman. 6.45 London. 8.00 The Saturday Film: 'East Side, West Side', with James Mason, Barbara Stanwyck and Ava Gardner. Murder in the New York social set. 10.00 News. 10.10 Theatre. 11.10 The Name Of The Game. 12.35 a.m. Nuns' Chorus.

SCOTTISH: 12.50 p.m. London. 5.15 Phoenix Five. 5.40 The Adventures of Floris. 6.10 National News. 6.15 Wheel Of Fortune. 6.45 London. 8.05 Feature Film: 'Colt 45', with Randolph Scott and Ruth Roman. Western. 9.30 Scotsport. 10.00 News and Weather. 10.15 Theatre. 11.10 Late Call. 11.15 Gideon's Way.

GRAMPIAN: 12.25 p.m. Survival. 12.50 London. 5.15 The Flintstones. 5.40 Woobinda. 6.10 News followed by Highland League Results. 6.15 London. 8.05 Saturday Night Cinema: 'The Forsyte Saga'. 10.00 News, Weather. 10.10 Theatre. 11.10 On The Buses.

BBC 2

3.00-4.15 p.m. Saturday Cinema: 'Law and Disorder'. With Michael Redgrave and Robert Morley. A comedy about an amiable confidence trickster.

7.00 News, Sport and Weather. 7.15 Gardeners' World. 7.30 Rugby Special: Ireland v.

France. 8.15 Chronicle: 'The Realms of Gold'. Montezuma meets

South Africa, Scotland v.

Cortes in Mexico 450 years ago. 9.05 Charles Aznavour in Lon-

10.30 Thirty Minute Theatre:

11.00 News Summary. 11.05 Line-Up's Disco 2.

11.30 Midnight Movie: 'Fire Down Below'.

With Rita Hayworth, Robert Mitchum, and Jack Lemmon. Romance in the Caribbean.

Just what is the attitude of the 'left' trade union leaders -in particular Hugh Scanlon

guidelines

AND A REPLY

on the General Council and. presumably, attended the December meeting at which the 'guidelines' were drawn up.

ing of his own union's executive council and met leaders of other major unions at York.

both of these gatherings. 'The proposals from the TUC are diabolical.

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'Wilson has pushed the dirty work onto the TUC and they are stupid enough to accept it.

Jack Jones: Opaque phases.

STAGE ONE of our

campaign against the

TUC General Council's

'guidelines' on strikes

and shop stewards, sent

out to member unions

just one week ago, has

brought a quick response

from broad layers of the

trade union movement.

member J. Hindle, an

NUSMW member from Bir-

mingham's BXL factory,

writes:

Today, Communist Party

'The two leaders of the big unions, Scanlon and Jones, should make a stand and let us know exactly what side they stand on.

'The Communist Party and the "Morning Star" should also state emphatically that they will not accept the penal clauses in any guise and should campaign for a real programme of action to prevent this betrayal by the TUC leaders.

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'I don't think that Feather and his henchmen will disrupt the factories too much. Decisions will still be made on the factory floor, although unorganized factories could suffer.

'Wilson and Barbara Castle couldn't do it, so I fail to see how Feather and the right-wing can achieve success.

'Surely workers must retain the right to withdraw their labour as the ultimate weapon once negotiations have broken down through inadequacies on the management side?

'The day that is taken away you might as well go back to the days of the "Ragged-Trousered Philanthropist".

OUR INDUSTRIAL CORRES-**PONDENT COMMENTS:**

Bro. Hindle-like Bros. Quill and McLean (whose letter appeared in Wednesday's Workers Press) -- have put their fingers on one of the central issues here.

and Jack Jones-to the TUC's proposals? Both Scanlon and Jones sit

What is more, Scanlon has since chaired at least one meet-

The TUC's dangerous and far-reaching proposals should have been fully discussed at

Yet neither Scanlon nor Jones has said a word.

'As a lay member,' Jones wrote in this month's 'T&GWU Record', 'I remember nothing worse than being told about some union agreement by the management first (or even by a member of some other union).

Does this not apply to agreements reached on what is supposed to be the leading body in the traffe union movement?

Jones also praises 'getting the facts, speedily and accur-

munication". Most of us would

ately.



Hugh Scanlon: Silence.

say it was "knowing where you stand".'

Where, Mr Jones, are your members to stand in relation to the TUC 'guidelines'?

Bro. Hindle, quite rightly, demands that the Communist Party and the 'Morning Star' state unequivocally where they stand in this issue.

SUNDAY

ITV

11.00 a.m. Church Service. 12.15 p.m. Sunday Session: Katie Stewart Cooks. 12.40 Taste and Style, 1.05-1.30 You and Your Child. 1.50 Doctor On Call. 2.15 University Challenge. 2.45 The Big Match Special: including World Cup Draw, 4.15 The Owl

5.30 Man In The News. 6.00 Popeve. 6.05 News.

6.15 Friends and Neighbours. 6.35 Seven Days.

> With Spencer Tracy, Burt Lancaster, Judy Garland, Richard Widmark, Maximilian Schell, William Shatner, Montgomery Clift and Marlene Dietrich. Nuremberg trials and the lives of those involved.

10.10 News. in 10.25 'Judgement at Nuremberg' continued. Loser?

REGIONAL ITV

CHANNEL: 11.00 a.m. London. 12 noon World Cup Draw. 12.15-12.40 p.m. Doctor On Call. 2.13 Today's Weather. 2.15 Star Soccer. 3.15 The Name Of The Game. 4.45 London. 5.30 The Owl Service. 6.00 Gustavus. 6.05 London. 7.25 Feature Film: 'I Was Monty's Double'., with John Mills, Cecil Parker, Patrick Allen, Patrick Holt and Leslie Phillips. 9.10 Strange Report. 10.10 London. 10.25 Frost. 11.25 Epilogue followed by Weather.

SOUTHERN: 11.00 a.m.-12.05 p.m. London. 12.12 Regional Weather. 12.15 Doctor On Call. 12.40 London. 1.05 100 Years At School. 1.30 All Our Yesterdays. 2.00 Farm Progress. 2.25 World Cup Draw. 2.40 Southern Soccer. 3.35 Bonanza. 4.30 Laurel and Hardy. 4.35 Southern News. 4.45 London. 5.30 Owl Service. 6.00 London. 7.25 The Sunday Film: 'Birdman of Alcatraz', with Burt Lancaster. Based on the life of Robert Stroud who became an expert on birds while serving a life sentence for murder. 10.10 London. 10.25 Frost. 11.25 Naked City. 11.50 Weather followed by Cardinal Heenan.

WESTWARD: As Channel except: 12.40 London. 1.05 100 Years At School. 1.30 All Our Yesterdays. 2.00 Farm and Country News. 11.25 Faith For Life. 12.31 a.m. Weather.

HARLECH: 11.00 a.m. London. 12.15 p.m. Doctor On Call. 12.40 London. 1.05 100 Years At School. 1.35 Survival. 2.00 World Cup Draw. 2.15 Soccer Special. 3.15 Court Martial. 4.15 University Challenge. 4.45 London. 5.30 The Owl Service. 6.00 Gustavus. 6.05 London. 7.25 Strange Report. 8.20 Screen On Sunday: 'The Miracle Worker', with Anne Bancroft and Patty Duke. The early years of the blind, deaf and dumb Helen Keller. 10.10 London. 10.25 Frost. 11.25 The Human Jungle. 12.20 a.m. Weather.

ANGLIA: 11.00 a.m. London. 12.15 p.m. Sunday Session: Doctor On Call. 12.40 London. 1.05 100 Years At

School. 1.30 Ballet For All. 1.55 Weather Trends. 2.00 Farming Diary. 2.30 Danger Man. 3.20 University Challenge. 3.50 Match Of The Week. 4.45 London. 5.30 The Owl Service followed by Weather. 6.05 London. 7.25 Star Movie: 'Marcus Welby MD', with Robert Young and James Brolin. 9.10 Strange Report. 10.10 London. 10.25 Frost. 11.25 The Baron. 12.20 a.m. Men Who Matter.

MIDLANDS: 11.00 a.m. London. 12.15 p.m. Sunday Session: Doctor On Call. 12.40 London. 1.05 100 Years At School. 1.30 Cannonball. 2.00 World Cup Draw. 2.15 Star Soccer. 3.20 'Follow That Man', with Sydney Chaplin, Dawn Addams. 4.45 London. 5.30 The Forest Rangers. 6.00 London. 7.25 The Sunday Feature Film: 'The Last Frontier', with Victor Mature, Anne Bancroft and Robert Preston. 9.10 Strange Report. 10.10 News. 10.25 Frost. 11.25 Bonanza followed by Weather.

ULSTER: 12.15 p.m. Doctor On Call. 12.40 London, 1.05-1.30 100 Years At School, 1.50 The Baron, 2.45 London, 5.30 Captain Scarlet, 6.00 London, 7.25 Peyton Place, 8.15 Star Movie: 'The Iron Mistress' with Alan Ladd, Virginia Mayo, The story of Jim Bowie's life, 10.10 London 10.25 Frost, 11.25 The Saint.

YORKSHIRE: 11.00 a.m. London. 12.15 p.m. Doctor On Call. 12.40 London. 1.05 100 Years At School. 1.30 All Our Yesterdays. 2.00 Soccer. 3.15 Encore. 5.00 University Challenge. 5.30 The Owl Service. 6.00 Gustavus. 6.05 London. 7.25 Hawaii Five-O. 8.20 'Cry For Happy', with Glenn Ford, Donald O'Connor and James Shigeta. A geisha girl comedy. 10.10 London. 10.25 Frost. 11.25 Phil Bull—Not a gambler in the ordinary sense: The story of a Yorkshireman who created 'Timeform', a method of analysing the form of horses. 11.55 Weather.

GRANADA: 11.00 a.m. 12 noon Service. 12.35 Taste and Style. 1.00 100 Years At School. 1.25 All Our Yesterdays. 1.55 The Doris Day Show. 2.25 Foot-

ball. 3.15 The Big Match. 3.30 Please Sir. 4.15 University Challenge. 4.45 London. 5.30 The Owl Service. 6.00 Cartoon Time. 6.05 London. 7.25 The Big Picture: 'A Star Is Born,' with Judy Garland and James Mason. Hollywood backstage story. 10.10 London. 10.25 Frost. 11.25 Randall and Hop-kirk (Deceased).

TYNE TEES: 11.00 a.m. London. 12.15 p.m. All Our Yesterdays. 12.40 Play With A Purpose. 1.05-1.30 100 Years of Education. 2.00 Farming Outlook. 2.30 Shoot. 3.25 Sunday Matinee: 'The Great Jewel Robbery', with David Brian and Marjorie Reynolds. 4.45 London. 5.30 The Owl Service. 6.00 Cartoon. 6.05 News. 6.15 Gladsome Mind. 6.35 London. 7.25 It Takes A Thief. 8.25 Film Premiere: 'Roustabout', with Elvis Presley and Barbara Stanwyck. Young tough joins a travelling carnival. 10.10 News. 10.25 Frost. 11.25 Dangerman. 12.20 a.m. Stopping by woods on a snowy evening by TYNE TEES: 11.00 a.m. London, 12.15

SCOTTISH: 11.00 a.m. London. 12.15 p.m. Doctor On Call. 12.40 London. 1.05 100 Years At School. 1.30 All Our Yesterdays. 2.15 London. 2.45 Sports Arena: 3.15 Feature Film: 'Maru Maru', with Errol Flynn and Ruth Roman. 4.45 London. 5.30 The Owl Service. 6.00 Popeye. 6.05 London. 6.35 Show Forth. 6.55 No Easy Answer. 7.25 Hogan's Heroes. 7.55 The Bogart Festival: 'Beat The Devil', with Humphrey Bogart, Jennifer Jones, Gina Lollobrigida and Robert Morley. 10.10 London. 10.25 Frost. 11.25 Dangerman. 12.20 a.m. Late Call.

This week, however, the 'Star' has surpassed itself in creeping up to the 'lefts'.

On Tuesday, we had a report of the previous night's BBC 'Panorama' entitled 'Jack Jones on big challenge of

Then, on Wednesday, 'Morning Star Reporter' gave us Mr Jack Jones (again!) leading the 'fight for farm pay'. Jones's 'big challenge', ac-

racy among working men and But what did Jones actually

cording to the 'Star', was 'the

spreading of industrial democ-

'If you are talking about productivity then it must be bargaining at the place of work related to what people do for what they get', he told an appreciative audience in-cluding the EPTU's Les Cannon, Courtaulds' Sir Frank Kearton, the National Coal Board's Lord Robens and the Confederation of British Industry's Mr Campbell Adam-

'I'm against the view that you solve problems by simply reforming the trade union

'I'm not against reforming the trade union structure, as you well know, because I'm in favour of trade union amalgamations—providing they're in the direction of the Transport and General Workers' Unionbut I'm sure that what we need is reform of our collective bargaining arrangements.

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'This is why I advocate agreements, comprehensive agreements, close to the place of work—whether you take Les's [Cannon's] view about a company agreement or my view about a plant agreement—you want agreements close to the place of work, understood fully by workpeople, explained to them, voted for by the workpeople and then-I take Alf's [Robens's] point—it will be for the trade unions to defend those agreement and see that

they're observed.

'I'm all in favour. 'I'm not in favour of legal enforcement. I don't think we need even talk about it as yet [our emphasis].

'I think what we want to do is give voluntary negotiation, voluntary agreements, a chance. I'd be all in favour, in addition to the comprehensive and wellunderstood agreements in which the workers participate, of offering at the end of the road if there was a difference some form of local arbitration, voluntary arbitration and voluntary conciliation.'

Here is the full reformist flavour of the 'left' politics covered up for by the 'Morning Star'.

'Productivity bargaining'. 'reform of trade union structure', 'amalgamations', 'comprehensive agreements', 'arbitration', 'no legal enforcement . . as

The opaque phrases are the

stepping-stones on which the Tories will build their strategy for anti-union legislation.

As Bros. McLean and Quill wrote on Wednesday: 'We should never forget the

betrayal of the German work-

ing class in 1933 by its Stalin-

ist and reformist leaderships.

'The fact that it was the most powerful and organized in Europe did not prevent it being handed over to the fascists — to be physically smashed. . . .

'The British labour and trade union bureaucracy is treading the same path.'



BBC 1

hoe. 5.55 Clangers.

6.05 News and Weather.

6.50 Songs Of Praise.

7.25 Paul Temple.

With

Laugh-In.

9.05 Music on 2.

10.00 Yesterday's Witness:

BBC 2

6.15 Religion In The Sixties.

8.15 The Sunday Musical: 'Pal

7.00 News Review and Weather.

7.25 Rowan and Martin's

8.15 The World About Us:

'Train to Calcutta'.

The journey from Bom-

bay to Calcutta through

the eyes of two pas-

Frank Sinatra,

9.00 a.m. Nai Zindagi - Naya Jeevan. 9.30 Repondez s'il vous plait. 10.00-10.30 Wie Bitte? 11.00 Seeing and Believing. 11.30 The Parkers At Saltram: new series, 1769-1789. Everyday life in a great house. 12 noon Know How. 12.30-1.00 p.m. Management in the 70's. 1.25 Farming. 2.00 The Education Programme. 2.29 News Headlines. 2.30 A Film For The Family: 'My Friend Flicka' with Roddy McDowall. A young boy's love for a yearling colt. 4.00 Humpty Dumpty On Ice. 5.00 Holiday 70. 5.30 Ivan-

11.40 Weather.

REGIONAL All regions as BBC-1 except at the following times:

Hart musical.

10.00 News and Weather.

Circus.

Midlands and East Anglia: 11.42 p.m. Midlands and East Anglia: 11.42 p.m. Weather.

North of England, Northern Ireland, South and West: 11.42 p.m. News Summary and Weather.

Wales: 1.25-1.50 p.m. Farming In Wales. 2.30-2.55 The Doctors. 2.55-3.50 Rugby Union. 3.50-4.10 The Doctors. 4.10-4.30 Cadw Cwmni. 4.30-5.00 Maes A Mor. 6.50-7.23 Dechrau Canu, Dechrau Canmol.

Scotland: 6.15-6.50 p.m. Sunday Set. 11.10-11.40 Rebecca West.

Lands End. 10.30 'Germinal' by Emile Zola.

coalminers about 11.10 News. 11.15 Line-Up.

Levant Mine Disaster. 50 years ago 31 miners were killed at the Levant Tin Mine near

Part one of a story

Rita Hayworth and Kim Novak. A Rodgers and 10.10 Omnibus: 'Last Summer We Played In The Alps'. 11.10 Monty Python's Flying

Service. 4.45 The Golden Shot.

7.25 Frost On Sunday. 8.25 'Judgement At Nuremberg'.

12.10 a.m. Modern Man - The

Harlech (Wales) as above except: 1.35-2.00 p.m. High Living. 5.30-6.00 Pregeth.

by woods on a snowy evening Robert Frost.

GRAMPIAN: 11.00 a.m. London. 12.15 Sunday Session: Doctor On Call. 12.40 London. 1.05-1.20 100 Years At School. 1.55 Farm Progress. 2.20 All Our Yesterdays. 2.50 Parkin's Patch. 3.20 Feature Film: 'Tarzan and the She-Devil'. 4.45 London. 5.30 The Owl Service. 6.00 Gustavus. 6.05 London. 9.20 The Big Film: 'Teacher's Pet', part one. 10.10 London. 10.25 Film part two. 11.45 Sunday Talks.

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a farce

Syndicalist statements like

'the lads on the shop floor will decide' or 'the left

unions will never alter their

rules to suit the TUC' mis-

The issue is leadership not

Only a leadership which

fights for the expropriation

of the huge monopolies, for the ending of capitalism on

a world scale, can defend

Tack Tones' television state-

ment is dealt with in detail

in today's Workers Press

official call-out against re-

though he was, said, "The members will decide" and

this practice will continue

at Tractors & Transmissions

this factory have won the

high wages which exist and

not the officials, and that's the way it will stay.'

'The shop stewards of

'We shall stick to a show of hands so that we know what is what.

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H. Finch, Dunlop, Coventry.

spontaneous action.

the unions today.

OUR INDUSTRIAL

CORRESPONDENT

WRITES:

(page three).

'Inspired leak' Ford pay offer ignores parity RUMOURS that the Ford Motor claim

BY JOHN SPENCER

Company intends to offer a 15 per cent rise without strings when it meets the unions in two weeks' time are regarded with great scepticism by Ford workers.

Most of them regard the story in 'The Guardian' on Thursday, which gave 'details' of the rumoured offer, as an inspired leak designed to divide the men and weaken the fight for parity.

'We won't believe any rumours until we see the offer in writing on the notice-boards', one shop steward said.

One thing can be said with certainty. Any offer Ford makes will fall far below the existing union claim for a 38 per cent wage rise.

Ford wages are far below the level paid in the Midlands car factories—the £10 claim is for parity with the Rootes,

Ford's attitude to the £10 claim has so far been a contemptuous refusal of the demand. The claim was first submitted on September 25

Two months later the com-

Split widens

FROM PAGE ONE

danger of Nazi invasion and naming some of the generals shot in the Red Army purges before the war. stalin's purges, the book said, had 'a deleterious effect'

on Soviet military preparedness. The official version now says, however, that 'miscalculations were made'.

The names of the murdered generals are dropped, and the purge victims did not 'perish', ey were simply 'repressed'

All references to Lenin's testament calling for the removal of Stalin from the Party's general secretaryship are dropped in the new edition, which also omits edition, which also omits Khrushchev's charge — con-tained in the 1962 edition that Stalin was responsible for the assassination of Leningrad communist Sergei Kirov in

The Kirov assassination was afterwards used as the pretext for the Moscow Trials of 1936 and 1937 and for the purges in which the vast majority of Lenin's old comrades were butchered at Stalin's orders.

The new 'history' does not mention the decision to remove Stalin's body from the mausoleum in Red Square and refers in very mild terms to the so-called 'anti-Party group' whose removal paved the way for Khrushchev's rise to power

These latest antics of the Soviet bureaucracy pose pro-blems for their friends in the British Communist Party. Time was when the Stalinists could agree to tell the

same lies about history. Is it too much to hope that Gollan and Dutt will now anofficially accepted by British

pany's labour relations director Robert Ramsay 'replied'.

'You make much of the fact that we are more efficient than our British competitors. We agree with that: we are proud it and we intend to stay

In other words, the comin its own good time, would decide. Moss Evans, Transport and General Workers' representa-tive on the National Joint Negotiating Council, rejoiced

'The main thing is that the company has recognized that we have made a wage claim. Ford's have done nothing

well not exist, for all the notice they have taken of it. In this situation, what is the attitude of the Ford stewards, who meet at Coventry on January 18 to decide the next stage of the campaign for the £10?

'Negotiate'

Last month, cutting right neross the decicion of the Dagenham Foundry to strike on January 18 if the claim was not met in full. Dagenham shop stewards passed a resolution 'calling on the trade union of the NJNC to negotiate continuously from Friday January 23 a wage increase of a character consistent with the Now the stewards have de-cided that, though they want the NJNC to reject any offer below £10, the union officials would be able to take such an offer to delegate conference and then to a mass meeting.

Previously, the stewards said that the NJNC must not

come before a mass meeting with less than £10. Some stewards in other Ford plants are known to favour outright acceptance of £3 or £4 if offered.

Having done virtually nothing since September to prepare a fight over the parity claim, these leaders, like the official union leaderships, are now backing down steadily from any sort of fight.

Dangerous

These are dangerous developments for Ford workers. after submitting the original parity claim, the leaders have not taken a single concrete step towards challenging the company's arrogant attitude. them — preparing to meekly accept Ford's hand-out.

The building and training of a revolutionary alternative to the present leadership is now a vitally urgent question.

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at a public meeting

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G. HEALY (National Secretary of Socialist Labour League)

Lectured

After lecturing the union representatives on the need 'to keep our heads and make sound decisions on wages and other business costs', he told

after this stinging rebuff with the comment:

The £10 claim might just as

Three-and-a-half months They are now - many of



printed and the film 'Young Socialists, 1969'

Then the whole thing is tied down with a 12-clause procedure agreement which gives local joint committees powers to make final and binding rulings on disputes which arise from its operation. Mrs Castle will have little to complain about on Tuesday.

The pattern is familiar. Between now and February 2. building workers will have

to mobilize on two fronts.

their union leaders.

800 now

in I.C.I.

First, they have to fight the

rate of wages. '2. Targets should be issued before operations are implementation of this vicious agreement. started and, wherever it is possible to do so, they should be agreed with the Second, they must join workers in other industries in a concerted campaign against the TUC General Council's 'guidelines' on strikes and accredited representative of the operatives concerned or with their union officer. shop stewards—which seek to prevent workers organizing against deals treacherously signed above their heads by

payment should be made

over and above the standard

'3. Targets should be based on standards of performance which have, whereever possible, been determined on jointly accepted work study principles pub-lished by the British Standards Institute.

'4. The number of operatives to be treated as a unit for bonus purposes should be as small as is operationally practicable. Bonus should not be paid on a trade or site collective basis except where there are exceptional circumstances and it has been jointly agreed.'

Sweeping

The ground for such deals is prepared by the union leaders' agreement to sweeping concessions on flexibility of labour, which begin in a statement :

'The agreements, arrangements and understandings which exist in many localities and are often of long standing by virtue of which it is recognized that particu-lar operations are the sole prerogative of a particular trade or craft, can constitute impediments to the effective use of manpower.'

In this and several other sections of the agreement, the union leaders tacitly accept that the entire responsibility for the building industry crisis is to be placed squarely on the backs of building workers themselves.

The flexibility clause subsequently goes on to lay down that the employers will not be in breach of existing agreements if they move tradesmen from one job to another or eliminate craftsmen's mates.

Procedure

Wilton strike

ELECTRICIANS and plumbers at ICI's Wilton site remained on strike yesterday against the management's attempts to break down job-demarcations.

The dispute now involves 800 workers and they have announced that they will stay out until agreements concerning contract plumbing work are returned to. In insisting that this work

is shared with the Sheet Metal Workers', Heating and Domestic Engineers' Union, under cover of a recent TUC ruling, the stewards have stated, the management has thrown aside all existing procedure.

The TUC ruling, they claim, was made without any con-sultation with the Electrical and Plumbing Trades Union at local level.

WEATHER

Cloudy, some bright intervals but also a little rain at times. Moderate southerly winds. Near normal. Maximum 9C

(48F).

N Ireland: Cloudy, rain at times and rather misty with fog over thawing snow on high ground. Light or moder-

ate southerly winds. Rather cold. Maximum 5C (41F). Edinburgh: Cloudy with rain at times but a few bright intervals. Moderate or fresh southerly winds. Near normal.

times and rather misty with fog over thawing snow on high ground. Light moderate southerly winds. Near normal. Maximum 4C (39F). Outlook for Sunday and Monday: Generally dull and misty

T.U.C. 'GUIDELINES'

Is this not virtually identical to the Wilson govern-

ment's proposals contained

in the withdrawn 'In Place of Strife' White Paper?

meeting of union executives, no 'left' trade union leader

even proposed a ballot of

their own union rank and

file to see if we agreed to this betrayal of the working

Hugh Scanlon, when attacked in Coventry for

supporting the 'Programme

for Action', stressed that the unions voluntarily gave

up their powers to the TUC.

Productivity bargaining today—even before the approaching recession—means

Rolls-Royce workers who

have been co-operating in the

introduction of Measured-Day Work (their own

stewards-whether Stalinist,

right-wing or syndicalist—all have the basically re-

formist philosophy expressed

by Jack Jones) now find themselves faced, at the be-

THE following resolution

has been passed by the Sheldon, Birmingham AEF

executive council to refute the proposed TUC "guide-

lines", as they are an attack

the shop stewards' move-

ARTHUR HARPER, con-

Division, Washwood Heath,

Birmingham, talked to the Workers Press this week

Leyland's

'This branch calls on

union democracy and

of the British-'s Transmissions

speed-up and sackings!

At the June 5 Croydon

SPEAKING on BBC's

'Panorama' on Monday, T&GWU leader Jack Jones

envisaged the continuation of this monopoly capitalist

system allowing for better

local negotiating procedures

which would allow for

greater productivity bargain-

Working men and women,

he said, would thus be able

to share in the rewards brought about by industrial

1970s, he thought, British workers should be earning

£30 to £40 for a 30 to 35

London dockers last year

turned down an offer of £34

for a 35-hour week based

on Lord Devlin's Phase Two

Many Midland motor-

workers earn at the moment

£35 average and are resist-

ing 'productivity bargaining'
—i.e. Measured-Day Work

If one was to take Iones

at his word and envisage a

period of expansion in the 1970s, what is he saying

£40 at the end of 1970

based on the whole trend of inflationary prices will be

worth precisely £20 at to

day's values, because the cost of living has been

shooting up at least 5 per

So much for Mr Jones's

But what about the TUC

General Council's 'guide-

If enforced, these could

stop workers at their place

of work taking action against a productivity deal—whether such a deal was

agreed by their own stew-

ards or imposed by local

Indeed a shop meeting will not be able to instruct

its own shop stewards under

'productivity bargain'.

and job-evaluation.

concerning wages?

cent every year.

hour week.

ing at the place of work.

Fight against T.U.C. 'Guidelines' is

political—says Coventry

ginning of 1970, with 3,500

tell workers what the re-wards in the 1970s are for

workers in the factories and

docks displaced as a result

of productivity bargaining?

trade unions means an open

invitation to a future Tory

government to bring in ex-

ternal state laws against the

The danger of the TUC's

proposals is that they build up in the unions the atmos-

phere of witch-hunt against

any workers or stewards who give a lead against the

employers' and the govern-

The fight against the TUC

rules and Tory laws on

strikes is a revolutionary, political fight.

Referring particularly to

the call for statutory strike

ballots, Bro. Harper said:

cerned secret ballots are definitely out. Secret ballots

as we well know can be

When this factory was right-wing in 1956 the management held a secret-

ballot agreement with the

shop stewards' committee

at that time, as to whether they should honour an

fiddled.

'As far as we are con-

ment's attacks.

Internal policing of the

Would Mr Jones please

trade unionist

● FROM PAGE ONE

All these men are below the rank of captain.

Not a single one of the higher officers involved in the massacre, let alone the top - echelon commanders who suppressed all news of the outrage for 18 months, have been brought to book.

And, of course, no proceedings are contemplated against the real instigators of the My Lai massacre and the whole policy of genocide in Vietnam. These people are safe in the White House, the Pen-tagon and the company board rooms while the mis-

forced to bear all the responsibility. A real investigation of My Lai and of all the other US war crimes in Vietnam,

erable scapegoats who car-

ried out their orders are

would begin in the White House and end in Wall



The factory leadership at Dagenham, three-and-a-half months after submitting the parity claim, has done nothing concrete to challenge the company's arrogant attitude.

New deadlock in Sino-Soviet border talks

The chief of the Soviet

negotiating team returned to Peking from talks in Moscow

with Soviet Party leaders a

Resumption

It was also revealed yester-

day in Washington that the United States and Chinese governments have agreed to

Contact was first resumed

after several years on December 11, when the US ambas-

sador in Warsaw called on the

Chinese Chargé d'Affaires, Lei

The talks, which are due to

begin on January 20, were made public in a brief state-

ment by a US diplomatic

'Ambassador Stoessel received the Chargé d'Affaires of the People's Republic of

China at 3 p.m. on January

8 to discuss matters of com-

'By mutual agreement be-

tween our two states we do not divulge the contents of

Worsens conflict

It is clear from these two

events-the breakdown in the

border talks and the resump-

tion of talks between Peking

and Washington-that United

States imperialism is using the

G.E. talks on

NEGOTIATIONS are soon to

be resumed between the unions and the US General

Electric company, whose

150,000 workers are striking.

The strike, which is seen

as a test case in the fight in

against Nixon's wage curb policy, is now in its 11th

spokesman:

mon interest.

our meetings.'

resume talks on amb sadorial level in Warsaw.

the 'guidelines'.

THE HONG KONG Communist newspaper 'Ta Kung Pao' reported yesterday that the China-Soviet border talks now recessed for three weeks in Peking are on the verge of breaking down completely.

The report claimed:

'The Soviet side refused to restrain its armed forces during the period when the negotiation was continuing and did not agree to have the armed forces of both sides withdrawn from any contact in the disputed areas.

The newspaper, which is

Wilson to visit Moscow

THE BRITISH ambassador in Moscow, Sir Duncan Wilson, is to return to London next week for consultations with the government, an embassy spokesman in Moscow stated

The main purpose of the journey will be to discuss a possible visit to Moscow by the Prime Minister Harold Wilson Like his social-democratic

opposite number in Bonn, Willy Brandt, Wilson willingly takes on the role of a gobetween for US imperialism and the Soviet bureaucracy. Though the date and purpose of the suggested visit have not been announced, Vietnam and the European collective security treaty pro-posed by the Warsaw Pact powers must be high on the

London area, SE, NW, central Southern and central Northern England, E and W Midlands: Mostly dull and rather misty with rain in places and some hill fog. Moderate or fresh southerly winds. Mild. Maxi-mum 8C (46F). Channel Islands, SW England:

Maximum 4C (39F). Glasgow area: Cloudy, rain at

with widespread fog. Temperatures near or a little below

By a foreign correspondent

regarded as a reliable sup-porter of Peking, blamed the Soviet delegation for the lack interests of imperialism. of progress made in the talks.

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to worsen the conflict between the Soviet Union and China, a clash which serves only the

spells danger A BIG EXPANSION of trade with East Europe has been announced by the Italian Foreign Trade Minister Riccardo Misasi.

Soviet-Italian

trade deal

Writing in the weekly magazine 'Politica', he reveals that long-term agreements have been concluded with the governments of Hungary, Rumania, Czechoslovakia and Bulgaria, while discussions are near completion for a similar

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deal with the Soviet Union. Answering critics of this policy, which has been described as a 'weakening towards communism', Misasi pointed out that while there were deep differences between were deep differences between East and West Europe, 'we must not be resigned to the existing situation, but to strive in so far as is possible to consolidate increasingly this continent the conditions for a real peace and for a pacific confrontation of ex-

periences'. (Emphasis added.) Closer links

This new deal, which according to the Minister will extend over a 20-year period, reflects the Soviet and East European bureaucracies' desire for closer links with the big monopolies of the Common Market. The Kremlin is unable to

the Soviet bloc economies without leaning heavily on the advanced capitalist powers for trade and the development of the most advanced forms of technology.

combat the distortions within

In turn, the political line of the western Stalinist Parties becomes more and more reformist.

It is no accident that in Italy the ruling class has the best of relations with the Kremlin while the Italian CP leaders pursue the most opportunist policies, even demanding a place in the capitalist

Spells danger

This is the logic of the Stalinist theory of 'socialism in one country', now more frequently referred to as 'peaceful co-existence'.

It spells danger not only for the militant Italian working class, currently engaged in a bitter strike battle with the government of Riccardo Misasi, but the property re-lations within East Europe and the Soviet Union.

That is the meaning behind

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