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Safety First - Not Profits

Floyd Chambers doesn't respect workers rights and the July meeting showed just how far he was willing to go. It was the tip of an iceberg that endangers each of us daily.

For instance, recently on C furnace there was a hole through the main runner. Directly beneath the hole there was water on the floor. Now, luckily, it was discovered "just in time". The furnace was shut down and the runner repaired. However, at both Maana divisional meetings and general meetings, it has been repeatedly pointed out that pouring's go on all the time when water is on the floor. OSHA has already cited this as a safety violation. The officials down at the hall are well aware of the problem. The men and women who work on the furnaces sure as hell know



their lives are endangered all the time. In fact the lives of all Zug Island people are threatened by conditions in and around the furnaces. Last month a man broke his jaw running away from a bottle car explosion!

Why hasn't the situation been corrected? Why haven't furnace workers slowed down their pourings or refused to pour when there's water on the floor??

1. If you refuse to do a job because of safety, you can be sent home. Now you might get paid if the job was "judged" to be unsafe, but that won't pay this months bills. And if you're assigned the same job day after day, what then?

2. What if your record's not all that good? You've skipped a day now and then. Or maybe you drink a little on the job. The hall and the company have you over a barrel. If you cause "trouble" the company might fire you and the hall won't be able to back you up because of your work record.

Unions weren't set up to work this way. They were set up to protect the rights, health and safety of all workers. Individually workers are weak against the company. Together they can be strong. Lives should be more important than profits. The hall could insure that no pourings were done with water on the floor. Workers should be backed up because they are right, not as a favor from the hall. We all help pay union officials salaries. It's their job to protect us.

Only under socialism when workers own and control Great Lakes Steel will people's lives come first. Until then we must work and fight together to protect ourselves. Demanding that the union at least respect members' rights at general meetings is a place to start. Mr. Chambers broke Local 1299 By-Laws and he needs to be found guilty. Be there to vote at the October 22nd union meeting.

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We've let Mr. Chambers know we're unwilling to quietly accept his excuses. Now we need to let him know that we expect him to uphold our rights with the company. Talk to people on the furnaces. Back them up on the job or at the hall when they stand up for our safety. It's not a one shot deal, but if we can work together, we will win!

Sinter Plant Blues

Many workers have commented on the discrimination against women at GLS. During these lay-offs it seems like all the women are sent to the Sinter Plant. Now everyone knows that the Sinter Plant is the dirtiest, nastiest place in the whole plant. The Consent Decree was supposed to end discrimination against Negro, Mexican and women workers, This kind of back door discrimination by department should be stopped. Why isn't the Civil Rights Committee doing anything about this? "Equal pay for equal work" is supposed to mean just that - not "less pay for worse work"!



"First, take 20 years and learn this intricate tool."

CLP Fights For...

On Sunday October 19 nearly 200 angry workers of all nationalities turned out to say "SUPPORT BUSING - SMASH THE KKK by picketing an anti-busing fundraiser put on by "Mothers Alert Detroit (MAD)". MAD was organized by Donald Lob-singer and his thugs from Breakthrough which has a long history of violently attacking anything decent. The picket was organized by the Communist Labor Party.

MAD is just like ROAR in Boston, the KKK in Kentucky, the Nazi Party in Chicago and the Sons of the South at GLS. These groups are thugs for the rich. They use the old strategy of divide and conquer. The KKK has used violence to try and bust up the miners strikes in Kentucky. ROAR has used violence to try and bust up the fight for equal and quality education in Boston. SOS has used violence to try to bust up the fight for a democratic union.

These gangs especially attack the fight for equal rights for the Negro people. Why? Because they know that if they can divide the working class along national lines that we will never have enough unity to fight strong.



we must fight for equality for Negro workers on the job and in the schools. There will be no quality education unless there is equal education for all children. There will be no democracy in 1999 unless we fight for democracy for all. And there sure as hell won't be any relief from unemployment, cutbacks, speed-up until there is full employment for everyone!

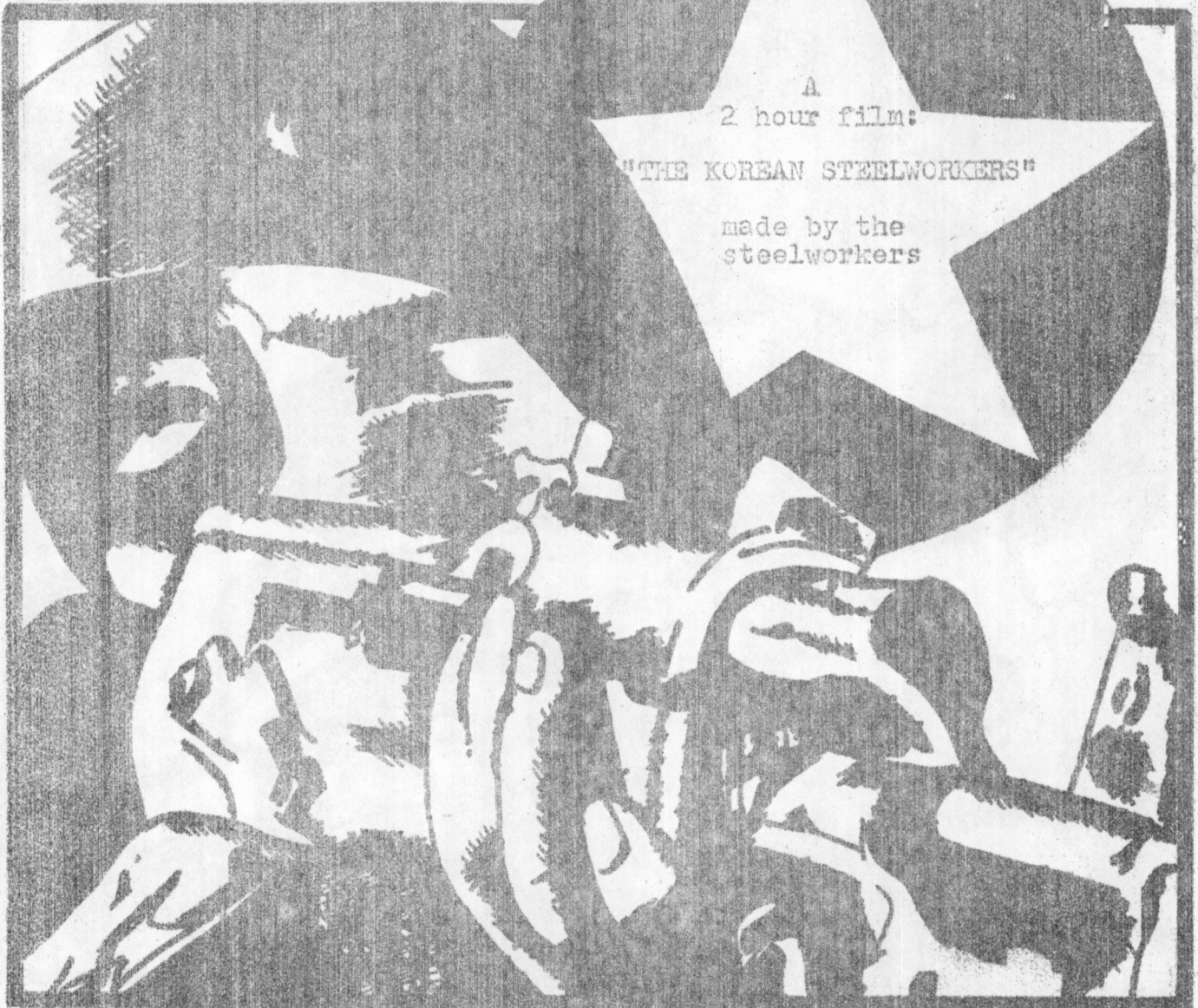
**JOBS WITH PEACE!
EQUAL AND QUALITY EDUCATION FOR ALL
WORKING CLASS CHILDREN!
SMASH THE KKK, NAZI PARTY, MAD, SOS AND
ALL FASCIST GANGS!**

PEOPLE'S TRIBUNE



The POLITICAL PAPER of the COMMUNIST LABOR PARTY of the
UNITED STATES of NORTH AMERICA

presents



In a divided country in which they stand face to face with their enemies, and in which war provocations by US imperialism are intensifying, the people of North Korea are carrying out the line of developing economic construction in parallel with the building up of defense. The socialist construction of North Korea is rooted in the spirit of self-reliance and great achievements are being made. Self-reliance is a thoroughly revolutionary stand for a people to accomplish the revolution in their country by relying basically on their own labor and with their own domestic resources. For example, because there is no coke in their country, the North Koreans have developed their own method of producing steel by using anthracite, in which their country is rich. This film shows the actual running of one of their foundries, including working conditions, efficiency, and comradeship--the strength of the workers in action. Come see "The Korean Steelworkers"!

JOB'S WITH PEACE!

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ESTADOS UNIDOS de NORTEAMERICA



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UNA PELICULA:
"LOS TRABAJADORES DE
ACERO DE COREA DEL NORTE"
hecho por los
trabajadores de las
funderías de acero

En un país dividido en donde la población se encuentra por sus enemigos, y donde las provocaciones por el imperialismo de los E.U.N. se están intensificando, la gente de Corea del Norte está poniendo en efecto un plan de acción donde el desarrollo de la construcción de la economía corre paralela con la construcción del defenso. La construcción de un Corea del Norte socialista, tiene sus raíces en el ánimo y confianza en sí mismo, y grandes hechos están ocurriendo. La confianza en sí mismo es una posición completamente revolucionaria para que la gente pueda realizar la revolución en su país, de una manera de que pueden contar con sus propios materias y labor. Por ejemplo, como no hay cok en su país, la gente de Corea del Norte ha desarrollado un método de producir el acero usando antracita, algo de que el país tiene bastante. Esta película, presenta la operación de una fundería, incluye las condiciones en el trabajo, la eficiencia y la camaradería--la fuerza de los obreros en acción. Vengan a ver "Los trabajadores de Acero de Corea del Norte"!

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