

SUPPORT THE MARCH 22 STATEMENT OF THE SOUTH VIETNAMESE NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT

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L.A. City Councilman Accuses "Peking Leninists" of Leading Watts Uprising

On October 6, Los Angeles City Councilman John S. Gibson made several public statements linking revolutionary Marxist-Leninists with the Los Angeles uprising. Stating that the uprising "was directed by known communists," Gibson labeled the communists as "Peking Leninists" who had been "actively promoting dissension and aggravating problems" in Watts for over a year.

"In the picketing activities," Gibson said, "This group was able to muster from 60 to 100 persons in demonstrations prior to the riots, and I understand from good sources that they were back in the area during the riots and have taken over their own headquarters again since then."

Gibson named as the "Peking Leninist" organization the Los Angeles Provisional Organizing Committee to Reconstitute the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party in the United States (P.O.C.). This same group was the Los Angeles Marxist-Leninist organization that took part in the founding conference of the Communist Party of the U.S.A. (Marxist-Leninist).

After Gibson's statements the Communist Party U.S.A. (M.-L.) arranged a press conference on October 7 in Los Angeles, with the Party's General Secretary, M. I. Laski, making a public statement about the Watts uprising and commenting on Councilman Gibson's charges.

Comrade Laski stated that the position of the C.P.U.S.A. (M.-L.) is that the Watts uprising was a heroic uprising of the most exploited and most oppressed sections of the working class. It was, he said, a spontaneous uprising—not organized and not politicalized. Its shortcomings arose from the fact that it was not organized or politicalized, but instead was rather diffused, which led to its being quelled.

The role of the revolutionary Marxist-Leninist forces in this uprising, Comrade Laski continued, was to provide political and organizational form for this spontaneous and legitimate expression of the working class. To the extent that the uprising reflected an anti-imperialist line, the Marxist Leninist forces were successful.

Comrade Laski revealed that the Marxist-Leninist forces in Los Angeles, previously organized as the Los Angeles Provisional Organizing Committee, and now the Los Angeles Branch of the Communist Party U.S.A. (Marxist-Leninist), have been in the Watts area for the past two years engaging in consistent agitational and propaganda work with the people. As Councilman Gibson sorrowfully complained, the Marxist-Leninists organized demonstrations against police brutality and

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This man is one of 4,000 political prisoners rounded up by agents of U.S. Imperialism during the August Los Angeles uprising.

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In late September, the owners of the SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE (De Young) and the SAN FRANCISCO EXAMINER and NEWS-CALL-BULLETIN (Hearst chain) announced the merger of their papers. This leaves San Francisco with two non-competitive daily papers and only one Sunday paper. In as much as newspapers like other mass media in the U.S. to

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CHINA CELEBRATES NATIONAL DAY

**Calls for United Front
Against U.S. Imperialism**

(Excerpts of news items from
PEKING REVIEW, No. 40,
October 1, 1965)

The people of China celebrated the 16th anniversary of the People's Republic of China on October 1, amid great rejoicing. Spectacular festivities marked the day across the land. Five hundred thousand people took part in the mammoth parade through Tien An Men square. In Shanghai, Canton, Wuhan, Chungking, Lhasa, Urumchi and other cities, too, the people turned out in the hundreds of thousands to celebrate the great occasion.

In Peking, Mayor Peng Chen, in his National Day speech, reviewed the tremendous success in socialist revolution and socialist construction achieved under the leadership of the Chinese Communist Party and Chairman Mao Tse-tung, and added: "The present international situation is excellent. The struggle of the people of the world against U.S. imperialism and its lackeys is vigorously developing. The East Wind is prevailing over the West Wind. Imperialism and its lackeys will not last very long."

"U.S. imperialism is the most ferocious common enemy of all the people of the world. The contradiction between the peo-

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EDITORIALS

THE C.P.U.S.A. (M.-L.) SUPPORTS THE MARCH 22 STATEMENT OF THE NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT

The Communist Party of the United States of America (Marxist-Leninist) declares its acceptance and endorsement of the five-point statement put forward on March 22, 1965, by the National Liberation Front (N.F.L.) of south Vietnam.

The Communist Party U.S.A. (M.-L.) recognizes that only on the basis of the correct implementation of the points set forth in the N.F.L. statement can the Vietnam problem be properly resolved.

The five-point statement declares (in excerpts):

1. The U.S. imperialists are the saboteurs of the Geneva Agreements, the most brazen warmongers and aggressors and the sworn enemy of the Vietnamese people.

2. The heroic South Vietnamese people are resolved to drive out the U.S. imperialists in order to liberate South Vietnam, achieve an independent, democratic, peaceful and neutral South Vietnam and eventual national reunification.

3. The valiant South Vietnamese people and the South Vietnam Liberation Army are resolved to fully accomplish their sacred duty to drive out the U.S. imperialists so as to liberate South Vietnam and defend North Vietnam.

4. The South Vietnamese people express their profound gratitude to the wholehearted support of the peace-and-justice-loving people all over the world and declare their readiness to receive all assistance including weapons and all other war materials from their friends in the five continents.

5. United as one man, our whole people take up arms, continue to march forward heroically and resolve to fight and to defeat the U.S. aggressors and Vietnamese traitors.

At this point it is appropriate to comment on the two-day "Vietnam Day" activity slated for the middle of October. The Communist Party of the U.S.A. (M.-L.) fully supports meaningful protests which are directed against U.S. imperialism as the main enemy of all oppressed people in the world. Unfortunately, the "Vietnam Day" Committee is led by petty bourgeois elements—especially revisionists and Trotskyites—and hence the protests will not denounce U.S. imperialism as the criminal and aggressor in Vietnam. Instead "Vietnam Day" demonstrations will merely protest the fact there is a war going on, without regard to the corollary facts that it is a war of national liberation and that the demands of the N.L.F. and the D.R.V. for settlement of the war are proper and just.

The type of "protest" planned by the "Vietnam Day" Committee serves to becloud the real nature of the issue and to cover up the aggression of U.S. Imperialism. Once again, the revisionists and Trotskyites are proving themselves to be effective agents for U.S. Imperialism.

To protest the Vietnam war without condemning U.S. Imperialism is to protest the result of a problem while ignoring the problem's source. A doctor would be foolish to merely "protest" the results of a disease without recognizing the disease for what it is and combatting it at its source, but it is just this type of foolishness which the "social doctors" of the "Vietnam Day" committee are practicing. Hence, the revisionist and Trotskyite leaders of the Vietnam protests have eliminated planned civil disobedience as a mass tactic during the "Vietnam Day" protests, for such activity might prove too "embarrassing."

The handling of the "Vietnam Day" demonstrations preparations provides a concrete example of the failure of the petty bourgeoisie to fight effectively against U.S. imperialism. Any effective fight against U.S. imperialism must be organized and led by the working class and its vanguard party, the C.P.U.S.A. (M.-L.).

To this end, C.P.U.S.A. (M.-L.) fights to develop a broad united front against U.S. Imperialism and the rise of fascism including all patriotic anti-imperialist forces which recognize U.S. Imperialism as the main enemy of the people of the world and which support all liberation movements in the world.

L.B.J.'s GREAT SOCIETY IN VIET NAM



Well, do you know another way to keep 'em from going Communist?

DEFEND THE 4,000 POLITICAL PRISONERS!

During the Watts uprising, over 4,000 workers were arrested by the Los Angeles police and the National Guard. They are all political prisoners taken by the U.S. imperialism—as part of its oppression of the U.S. working class.

The Communist Party U.S.A. (Marxist-Leninist) views the most urgent task at this time to be the organization of all forces

to secure the release and the defense of all the workers arrested and detained during the uprising. The organized defense of the people is imperative.

We call upon all interested people nationally to aid in this struggle. An organized defense of the Los Angeles political prisoners must be established throughout the U.S.A. and then throughout the world.

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MARXIST-LENINIST LEADERSHIP IS NECESSARY FOR VICTORY OVER U.S. IMPERIALISM!

OPEN LETTER FROM THE COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A. (Marxist-Leninist) To All Revolutionary and Anti-Imperialist Forces:

The Communist Party U.S.A. (Marxist-Leninist) has the revolutionary obligation of providing the political leadership of the American working class in its struggle against U.S. imperialism and for socialism. The U.S.A. is a multi-national state; the Anglo-American nation oppresses the Negro and Puerto Rican nations as direct colonies. The struggle for liberation and for the rights of self-determination for the Negro nation is part of the struggle for socialism and part of the forthcoming proletarian revolution in the U.S.A.

It is our revolutionary obligation as Communists to be instrumental in the formation of a National Liberation Front for the Negro nation in the South, and to advance the fight for the right of self-determination for the Negro nation. It is with this objective in sight that we call

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for the formation of a National Liberation Front for the Negro nation.

The Communist Party U.S.A.-Leninist) accepts as the basis for the formation of a National Liberation Front the nine points outlined by the Committee for the Establishment of the Black Liberation Front (COESTAB), as published in BLACK FLAG, No. 17 ("COESTAB Open Letter").

The nine points are as follows:

1. Struggle against U.S. imperialism.

2. Realize the liberation and right of self-determination of the Negro nation in the South.

3. Adopt a broad democratic system.

4. Improve the people's livelihood.

5. Build a patriotic progressive culture and education for the Negro nation.

6. Realize equality for all national groups in all spheres.

7. Support the national liberation struggles of all peoples.

8. Expose and destroy all traitors and quislings who will not mend their ways.

9. To attain these ends, form and build people's liberation forces.

The Communist Party U.S.A. (Marxist-Leninist) endorses these proposals of the COESTAB. These proposals serve to facilitate the formation of a National Liberation Front for the Negro nation.

For the Secretariat,
C.P.U.S.A. (M.-L.),
M. I. Laski,
General Secretary



KNOW YOUR ENEMY!

People's defense units must be organized to fight against police brutality, the direct offspring and policy of U.S. Imperialism.

AGRICULTURAL WORKERS STRIKE IN CALIFORNIA

One of the largest agricultural strikes since the 1930's is being conducted in Tulare County, California, in the vineyards around the city of Delano (near Fresno). The strike is led by the Agricultural Workers' Organizing Committee (A.W.O.C.) and the National Farm Workers Association (F.W.A.).

The strike started Sept. 8 when A.W.O.C. demanded a raise from \$1.10 hour to \$1.40 hour and from 10c box of grapes to 25c box of grapes plus union recognition. They staged a sit-down strike; the striking workers were then removed by the sheriffs, and they set up picket lines by the roadside.

Then the Teamsters Joint Council No. 38 lent their support to the striking workers and the F.W.A. joined the strike. Presently, about 3,500 farm workers are out on strike out of a total work force of 4,000-5,000.

The growers are using every available means to break the strike. A.W.O.C. spokesmen charged that growers are importing scabs from as far away as El Paso, Texas. Many of these strikebreakers are Mexican nationals at the complete mercy of the growers.

Most of the striking workers are Filipino-Americans, plus some Mexican-Americans and Puerto Ricans. The Filipino-Americans are also picketing the Philippine Consulate in Los Angeles, in response to the Consul's telling the workers to halt the strike and to return to work. The workers answered the Consul with a picket line telling him not to interfere in their affairs, for they are not Philippine nationals and are not subject to his jurisdiction.

This is the largest post-war agricultural strike in California, and it is matched in size only by the San Joaquin Valley cotton strikes of the 1930's.

INDIA ATTACKS PAKISTAN

(Excerpted news item from Anna Louise Strong's LETTER FROM CHINA, Sept. 20, 1965.)

Prodded by the U.S. imperialists, the Government of India has waged a vicious war of aggression against the people of Kashmir and of Pakistan. The war began in early August when an uprising in India's zone of Kashmir was bloodily suppressed but nonetheless spread. India, on the pretext that it was done by "Pakistani infiltrators," violated the cease-fire line in mid-August to outflank further seizures, marched into India's zone on Sept. 1. India then launched on Sept. 6 the pre-dawn surprise attack over the international border and began all out war with tanks, artillery, planes.

Evidence that U.S. imperialism was behind India's aggression came when the London DAILY TELEGRAM declared Sept. 12, that the American Central Intelligence Agency was responsible for the war, by spreading in India the story that President Ayub Khan of Pakistan was "politically unstable" and a coup to dethrone him was at hand. U.S. Ambassador Chester Bowles, who for years had tried to unite Pakistan and India against China, approved India's decision to re-occupy posts across the cease-fire line in Kashmir.

Washington chose to teach Pakistan a lesson for asserting independence and to get a hostile border with China where the U.S.A. might have a base. This seems the basic cause of the present war.

"IMPERIALISM AND ALL REACTIONARIES ARE PAPER TIGERS!" - MAO TSE-TUNG

● NEWS BRIEFS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

SOUTH AFRICA — Reports from fascist-ruled South Africa indicate that 150 African laborers, riding in flimsy box cars, were killed in a railroad accident last week. Before complete censorship cut off communication from South Africa on the accident it was briefly reported that 2000 angry African laborers had marched to the scene of the accident and had beaten to death an official of the railway company.

SOUTHERN RHODESIA — The Governor of the British colony of Southern Rhodesia announced that his minority government is going to declare its "independence" from Britain. Britain, in turn, has announced that "sanctions" will be taken against the colony if the Governor moves forward with his plan, but military action by Britain seems out of the picture. It appears that S. Rhodesia, Britain, and the United States will all profit from an independent, minority controlled S. Rhodesia, for the high profits enjoyed by the imperialist-owned corporations in the area will continue while, it is hoped by the imperialists, the direct responsibility for the misery and exploitation of the African majority will be taken off the hands of Britain and the United States.

INDONESIA — Right-wing elements of the Indonesian military, with the direct blessing and support of U.S. Imperialism, is now attempting to destroy the 3.5 million member Communist Party of Indonesia (P.K.I.). Nighttime Gestapo-like raids on private residences, phony trials, and summary executions are some of the methods being employed by the military. So far the people of Indonesia have staunchly resisted the vicious attacks against the P.K.I.

POPE VISITS U.N.

By OBSERVER

That much touted visit by Pope Paul to address the United Nations on its 20th anniversary marks a new height in U.S. imperialism's attempt to hoodwink the peoples of the world. The Pope is trying to goad the people into believing that "the hardness of men's hearts" can be softened by lofty appeals, and that it is really idealism which can guarantee world peace in the face of U.S. imperialism's onslaught on all fronts.

The United Nations is under the direct manipulation of the United States through its lackey, U Thant. The Vatican and its Pope are direct instruments of imperialist exploitation and oppression in vast areas of Africa, Asia, and Latin America. Not only is the Vatican itself a major holder of monopoly capital, but it serves as a social prop for the maintenance of exploitation and oppression of the neo-colonialists as well as of the old colonialists and imperialism in general.

Due to the upsurge of the national liberation movements and the struggles being waged against U.S. imperialism abroad, the imperialists have trotted out this medieval feudal anachronism, the Pope, in an effort to divert the people's struggle against imperialism and to bog it down in the mire of idealism and hypocrisy. His fine words on the "ending of colonial rule" and "equality of the newly independent countries" are only so much window-dressing in order to confuse and sabotage, in the interest of U.S. imperialism, the just struggle against U.S. imperialism and its lackeys.

In this endeavor, the modern revisionists are collaborating and assisting U.S. imperialism in putting over this fraud on the peoples of the world. A. Gromyko, Soviet Foreign Minister, applauded vigorously the hypocritical words of Pope Paul when he addressed the U.N. General Assembly.

The Albanian delegate to the U.N. is to be commended for boycotting this farce staged by U.S. imperialism to deceive and to hamstring the people's liberation struggles.

SAN FRANCISCO PAPERS MERGE

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day, represent the class interests of U.S. monopoly capital, the San Francisco merger is indicative of a consolidation of the forces of monopoly capital in the U.S. today.

The rise of fascism in the U.S. can be sustained and the contradictions in society can be covered over only by the control of the mass media to support the U.S. imperialist line of war and its reactionary policies both "at home" and abroad. The Hearst newspaper chain is the most imperialist-oriented newspaper trust in the U.S. The Hearst newspaper chain plays the same role in America as the empire-loving Beaverbrook newspaper chain does in Britain.

The CHRONICLE, while not as outspoken as the Hearst papers, represents the same class interests as the Hearst papers. Previously, the CHRONICLE maintained the facade of a local newspaper concerned with keeping the "Eastern" monopolists out of its domain, while serving the interests of those monopoly groups whose financial holdings are effected by events in Asia and in the area of the Pacific. It was the effect of the general crisis of U.S. imperialism that brought about the amalgamation of the two daily newspaper publishers in San Francisco.

The persons most immediately effected by this consolidation of imperialist forces are the workers whose jobs at these newspapers were sacrificed. The workers at these newspapers saw the threat to their jobs and carried out poorly-organized work stoppages. The union leaders there—part of U.S. imperialism's labor front—were corrupted by appeals to racism and company unionism, and yielded to a "compromise" situation proposed by the employers.

The San Francisco experience has shown that the mass media of communication in America represent the class interests of the U.S. imperialists. It is the working people who suffer most from such developments of monopoly capital.

L.A. OFFICIAL SEES RED

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against the U.S. Imperialists' war in Viet Nam. The Marxist-Leninists even organized the people to protest Councilman Gibson's subservience to the U.S. ruling class and drove Councilman Gibson from the speaker's stand when he spoke in Watts.

The Communist Party U.S.A. (Marxist-Leninist) was founded in the period immediately following the Watts uprising, and it was this uprising which served to give added strength to the Marxist-Leninist forces in the United States of America.

Presently, the C.P.U.S.A. (M.-L.) is engaged in organizing people's defense units — the people's only means of defense against police brutality. Such groups are a necessary first step in the organizing of the working people against the rise of fascism in the U.S.A. and against U.S. Imperialism.

As a final note, Comrade Las-ki added that the Communist Party U.S.A. (Marxist-Leninist) is making tentative plans to run Communists for election in the newly reapportioned California State Senate. The purpose of such elections would be to expose the corrupt Imperialist system and its phony "democratic" facade.

CHINA'S NATIONAL DAY

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ple of the world and U.S. imperialism is absolutely irreconcilable. If one is to make revolution, to safeguard sovereignty and independence and to defend world peace, one must overthrow U.S. imperialism. The ambitions of U.S. imperialism today have exceeded those of Hitler, Mussolini, and Tojo Hideki in their times. U.S. imperialism has stretched its claws of aggression to every corner of the earth, and by so doing it is digging its own grave everywhere. It will not meet with a better fate than that of its predecessors, the German, Japanese, and Italian fascists. Provided we unite with all the forces that can be united, form a broad anti-U.S. international united front and wage a tit-for-tat struggle against it, we will certainly be able to defeat that paper tiger, U.S. imperialism."