

May 26 protests in 20 cities

African Liberation Day demonstrations set

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May 26 is African Liberation Day. A year ago, according to figures cited by the African Liberation Support Committee (ALSC), more than 65,000 people demonstrated in the United States, Canada, the Caribbean, and Africa to protest the continued domination of Africa by the U.S. and European imperialist countries. This year, organizers of the action are hoping for an even bigger turnout.

Owusu Sadaukai, national chairman of the ALSC, announced at a March 5 news conference in Washington, D. C., that the "goal this year is to plan demonstrations that will awaken the Black community to the fact that a war is going on in southern Africa. . . .

"Among the many reasons why Black people in the United States must take an unequivocal stand against growing American involvement in southern Africa is the fact that just last year the United States gave Portugal some \$438-million dollars, which is being used to kill our people in Angola, Mozambique, Guinea-Bissau, and Cape Verde.

"When we remember that a large percentage of those tax dollars came from Black people, it becomes increasingly clear that the U.S. government exploits us as Black people in America in order to help finance the exploitation of our brothers and sisters in Africa."



Owusu Sadaukai Muhammad Speaks/Charles 67X

The demonstrations will focus on U. S. complicity with Portugal and the white settler regimes in southern Africa. The U. S. government supplies military hardware to Portugal through NATO and helps train its officer corps.

The demonstrations will also focus on U. S. corporate involvement. Gulf Oil, for example, is the largest of more than 30 U. S. corporations investing in Portuguese-controlled Africa and in 1970 pumped more than \$20-million directly into the Portuguese economy.

Demonstrations are already scheduled in more than 20 cities across the U. S.

In New York the demonstration will be hosted by the African Liberation Day Coordinating Committee (ALDCC), a coalition of various groups, including the African Liberation Support Committee, CORE, Pan-African Students Organization, African Unity Movement, Nation of Islam, Universal Negro Improvement Association, and The East. Several churches, Black student groups, and community organizations are also supporting the action.

Livingston Wingate, a leader of the

Urban League, and the ambassador of Uganda to the United States have joined the growing list of endorsers.

The ALSC has held two fund-raising benefits for May 26.

Representatives of the coalition have spoken on several campuses, and are available for future engagements. The coalition has printed brochures; other materials, including buttons and posters, are being prepared. The coalition has also obtained a radio news spot on WWRL-AM, each Tuesday and Thursday. It is hoping to obtain a regular weekly news column in the *Amsterdam News*, New York's largest Black newspaper.

A tentative march route has been chosen for the demonstration, and the Urban League has donated office space to the coalition. Volunteer help is needed. The ALDCC can be contacted at 261 W. 125th St., Room 210, New York, N. Y. Telephone: (212) 866-2248.

On March 23, the Philadelphia ALSC held a fund-raising benefit to raise money for the May 26 demonstration, attended by 200 people. Sad-

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PHILADELPHIA

SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY 1973 CAMPAIGN BANQUET. Speakers: Linda Jenness, SWP 1972 presidential candidate; Bruce Kaufman, candidate for Philadelphia district attorney; Harvey McArthur, candidate for city controller; Len Lear, writer for Philadelphia Tribune. Fri., April 13. Dinner, 7:30 p.m.; Rally, 8:30 p.m. Donation: \$4; rally only, \$1. 1004 Filbert St. (one block north of Market.) For more information call (215) WA5-4316.

PORTLAND

THE MILITANT FORUM presents weekly forums on Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m. Some of the topics covered are: the struggles of women, Blacks, Chicanos, and Native Americans for liberation; the trade-union movement; and the struggles in other countries. 208 S.W. Stark, Room 501. Donation: \$1, h.s. students and unemployed 50c. For more information call (503) 226-2715.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

THE SWP ON THE AIR. Listen to Theodore Edwards, spokesman for the Socialist Workers Party, on his weekly radio program, 2 p.m., every Saturday, KPFK-FM, 90.7.

TWIN CITIES

WHO RUNS THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA AND WHO SHOULD? Speakers: Becky Bohan, Young Socialist Alliance presidential candidate at U of M; Paula Giese, former assistant professor at U of M, fired for her political views. Fri., April 13, 8 p.m. 1 University Ave. N.E. Mpls. Donation: \$1, h.s. students and unemployed 50c. Ausp: Militant Forum. For more information call (612) 332-7781.

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publican politicians, is willing to let the working people shoulder the cost of inflation. But working people don't think inflation is their fault, and they don't see why they should be made to sacrifice because of it.

If the determined mood of this week's boycott is any indication, the politicians and the labor bureaucrats haven't seen anything yet.

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aukai spoke on the necessity of organizing demonstrations in support of the African struggles. The next day a state-wide ALSC meeting was held, and Philadelphia was designated as the main demonstration site. Pittsburgh may also be the site of a demonstration. A door-to-door campaign

in the Philadelphia Black community is planned to raise funds and publicize May 26. The ALSC also plans to send speakers to community organizations, colleges, and high schools in the area.

The May 26 demonstration in Washington, D. C., is being hosted by the African Liberation Day Support Committee (ALDSC). The ALDSC so far includes members of the Youth Organization for Black Unity, All-African People's Revolutionary Party, the Youth Liberation Movement, and others.

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action and interfering with a law oficer.

It is clear that the real intent of the government in arresting Young Bear was to intimidate local supporters of the Wounded Knee occupation especially in Porcupine, where outside supporters were invited to stay by the district meeting. Young Bear is now out on bond after his bail was reduced to \$1,000.

"Just supporting AIM is now grounds for arrest," Young Bear said. He says the charges against him are phony. Right after he was released the FBI arrested another AIM leader, Jesse Larges of Denver. Larges, who has coordinated outside support during much of the occupation, was in Wounded Knee only when the federal roadblocks were down.

Since the government has failed to reverse the growing support for Wounded Knee and the just demands the action has raised, Justice Department spokesman Kent Frizzell has been saying that a negotiated settlement may soon be reached. He is quick to add that legal action against the occupiers will then proceed.

"It is up to us now to spread the truth concerning Wounded Knee and to also share the message that we must stand and fight to live the way in which we have to live." These were the words of Janine Jamisson, a Tonawanda Seneca of the Six Nations Confederacy and a student at Cornell University, as she addressed an Ithaca, N. Y., ral-