

AMERICAN MASS'S LINE



The proletariat is the greatest class in the history of mankind. It is the most powerful revolutionary class ideologically, politically and in strength. It can and must unite the overwhelming majority of people around itself so as to isolate the handful of enemies to the maximum and attack them.

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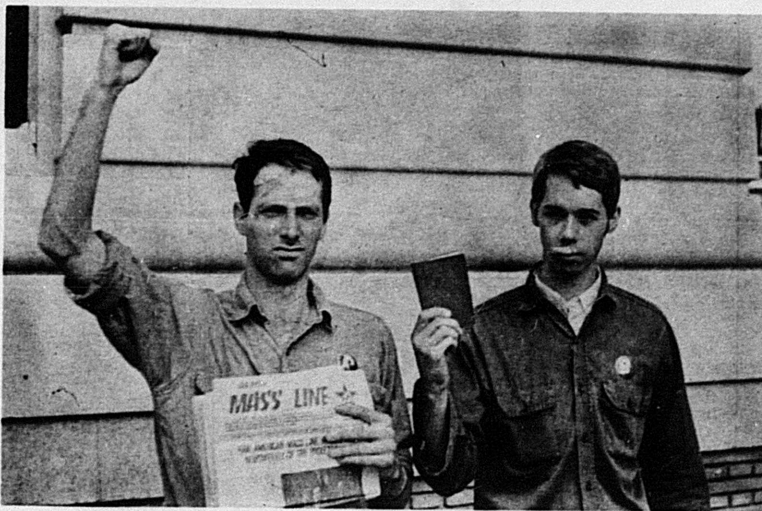
REVOLUTIONARY YOUTH FIGHT FOR RIGHT TO ORGANIZE!

Communist youth, following the bold teachings of the treasured RED BOOK of Chairman Mao's writings, are leading mass democratic struggles for the people's democratic right to discuss revolutionary literature and organize themselves politically to remove the heavy mountain of oppression from their backs. In Cleveland, New York, and other places, these young comrades have dared to take Mao Tsetung Thought, the great guide to making revolution, right out among the workers and national minority people, sell MASS LINE to the people and discuss how to organize. Seeing the enthusiasm of the broad masses for genuine communism and proletarian ideas, the lackey police and civilian fascists have frantically attacked the progressive people in order to prevent the development of revolution and to save their own skins. But far from frightening the young comrades, these attacks have only stiffened their resolve to wipe out the fascists, and the young communists have launched resolute counter-attacks with the people's support and have set the reactionary forces reeling back on their heels.

Taking to heart Chairman Mao's great teaching "ALL REACTIONARIES ARE PAPER TIGERS," our comrades have punctured the arrogance of the fascists by denouncing them in no uncertain terms in front of the people and answering their counter-revolutionary violence with revolutionary violence. (See articles in this issue of MASS LINE.) The fascists count on being able to intimidate the people in order to pull their dirty deeds, and they have been preventing the dissemination of revolutionary ideas for a long time. When the young comrades step forward to challenge these evil-doers, the broad masses are very glad to stand up and fight for the right to speak. When the fascists see the courage of these youth and the support of the working and oppressed people, they rapidly lose their own courage and expose their true paper tiger nature. Many times the lackey police and civilian fascists have given up their attempts to stop dissemination of Mao Tsetung Thought when faced by these militant comrades.

These young comrades are fundamentally opposed to the reactionary line which says that youth should sit around taking drugs and murmuring pacifist slogans. They have announced to the world that the role of young workers and students today is to come forward resolutely to serve the working class and people, build the revolutionary party and lead the mass struggle to overthrow fascist Nixon-Agnew and the U.S. monopoly capitalist class. This is the period of uniting the vanguard of the proletariat, building the Marxist-Leninist Party, and developing the revolutionary initiative of the people by launching widespread mass democracy. The revolutionary youth are playing a critical role in disseminating Mao Tsetung Thought among the people and inspiring them with examples of revolutionary heroism and dedication. Only a vanguard composed of such selfless fighters armed with Mao Tsetung Thought will be able to mobilize the people in their millions and lead them down the path crimson with the blood of martyrs to victory, to the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat and the end of exploitation of man by man.

Faced with armed struggle led by the genuine followers of Mao Tsetung Thought everywhere in the world, the U.S. imperialists are in deep trouble and they are attempting to place the burden of their sins on the backs of the U.S.



TWO BRAVE COMMUNIST YOUTHS, COMRADES GEORGE ROUSH AND JIM LAMPHAN, HOLD HIGH THE REVOLUTIONARY LITERATURE OF THE PROLETARIAT, MASS LINE AND QUOTATIONS FROM CHAIRMAN MAO, JUST AFTER THEY BEAT OFF THE ATTACKS OF THE FASCISTS ON A NEW YORK STREET CORNER. DESPITE THE ATTACKS, OUR COMRADES PERSISTED IN SELLING MASS LINE AND HELD A BIG MASS DEMOCRATIC DISCUSSION IN WHICH NUMEROUS PROGRESSIVE PEOPLE CONDEMNED THE FASCISTS FOR ATTACKING THE PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC RIGHT TO ORGANIZE POLITICALLY AND PRAISED THE YOUNG COMRADES FOR RESOLUTELY STANDING UP TO THEM.

working people. As the American people rise in rebellion, this dying class of parasites, which represents all that is degenerate and evil in the world, calls out its lackey troops and murders the people in the streets under the gangster logic of "all rights to repress, no rights to rebel." Everywhere the broad masses refuse to lie down and accept these atrocities; they are answering them tit-for-tat in the spirit of Chairman Mao's slogan: "IT IS RIGHT TO REBEL AGAINST REACTIONARIES!" The Nixon-Agnew gangster clique is desperately trying to save itself by concocting a fascist mass movement, paying police agents and union hacks to pose as construction workers and attack the progressive movement. The struggle to combat this growing fascism and defend the democratic right to organize politically against the attacks of the lackey police and the civilian fascists is the key struggle in the U.S. today. When led on a wide scale by followers of Chairman Mao, this struggle will develop armed underground units and armed revolutionary struggle.

Coming out of the actual struggles at the place of work, in the community and in the universities, our young comrades are laying the basis for this armed struggle. They have taken the suffering of the broad masses as their own and have grasped the call of the American Communist Workers Movement (Marxist-Leninist):

- 1) PERSIST IN THE WIDE-SCALE DISSEMINATION OF MAO TSETUNG THOUGHT AND CARRY OUT A WAR OF ANNIHILATION AGAINST REACTIONARY IDEAS!
- 2) ORGANIZE ACTUAL STRUGGLE UNITS IN THE COMMUNITIES, AT THE PLACE OF WORK AND IN THE SCHOOLS AND UNIVERSITIES! UNDERGROUND, COMPACT, ARMED AND BASED ON CONSCIOUS AND VOLUNTARY DISCIPLINE!
- 3) REMOLD WORLD OUTLOOK BY PUTTING MAO TSETUNG THOUGHT IN COMMAND OF EVERYTHING AND

INTEGRATING WITH THE STRUGGLES OF THE WORKING CLASS!

- 4) FOLLOW THE SPIRIT OF FEARING NEITHER HARDSHIP NOR DEATH TO ADVANCE THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT FORWARD!

Our young comrades are taking to heart the instructions in MASS LINE No. 3 and studying hard Chairman Mao's brilliant work "Talks at the Yanan Forum on Literature and Art." They have resolved to wipe away all the dirt of the exploiters' ideology from their souls in order to remove all subjective obstacles to the struggle. One young worker copied out two quotations from this work of Chairman Mao's, which call on revolutionary youth to serve the people heart and soul, and he carries them with him everywhere so as to frequently study them and absorb their spirit.

Summing up their experience at the hands of the lackey police and civilian fascists, our comrades pointed out:

- 1) In the United States, all police are political police and all members of fascist organizations are well-consolidated. Both are anti-communist and racist to the core and no comrade should make a mistake about them.
 - 2) The only method of resisting these fascists is to denounce them rigorously for their unjust action and expect no mercy from them.
 - 3) Fear neither hardship nor death.
 - 4) Before and during the arrest or fight, question the fascists in front of the broad masses and insist that they explain themselves for their unjust actions.
 - 5) Take detailed security precautions before
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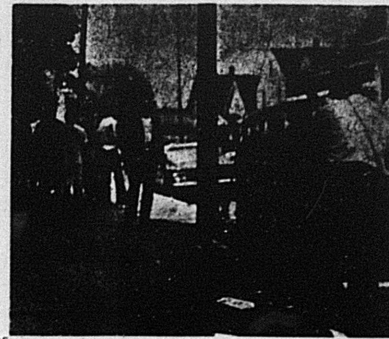
BLACK PEOPLE RESIST ATTACKS ON PANTHERS!

On June 29th, under the hoax of serving a "peace" warrant, about fifty Cleveland police staged an armed attack on an office of an organization of the Black Panther Party. Without warning, the lackey police opened fire and invaded the apartment, seriously wounding one party member and shooting one of their own officers. These fascist looters also stole cameras, tape recorders, and copiers from the office. Then with typical gangster logic, they charged the Panthers with the crimes that the police themselves had committed: "shooting to kill".

Not cowed by this brutal invasion, the people of the community came out to defy the police and denounce them: "Fascists! Murderers!" they shouted. Groups of Black people stood right up to the guns of the police, who pointed them at the people in a vain attempt to intimidate them. These angry people had witnessed three other

occasions when the lackey police had come in force to the Panther headquarters and crouched behind their cars with guns pointed at the apartment in unsuccessful efforts to provoke a gun fight. Standing up as one man, the courageous Afro-Americans demanded that the fascists leave their community and threw rocks at their cars as they scurried out. Once the police had left, crowds of people spontaneously ransacked the drug store of the police accomplice Avery, who had signed the "peace" warrant against the Panthers.

Twenty-eight members of the Black Panther Party have been killed by the fascist authorities or their agents all across the country and many others jailed and beaten. These murderous attacks by the imperialists against the people's right to organize politically will only harden the people's will to fight against fascist repression. A mighty blood debt is being created which can only be paid in blood.



NERVOUS CLEVELAND POLICE CAN'T INTIMIDATE BLACK WORKERS WHO DISPLAYED THE REVOLUTIONARY SPIRIT OF "FEARING NEITHER HARSHNESS NOR DEATH" BY BRAVING HIGH POWERED RIFLES AND RIOT GUNS IN DENOUNCING THE ATTACK BY THE LACKEY FASCIST POLICE ON BLACK PANTHER PARTY ORGANIZATIONS' OFFICE!

CLEVE. TRANSIT WORKERS USE MASS DEMOCRACY TO FIGHT FASCIST RULES AND REGULATIONS

The Cleveland Transit System drivers have once again shown the fighting attitude of the working class toward all attempts to crush its right to organize and wage actual struggles. By militantly rebelling against the sweetheart contract foisted on them by the CTS management and its housebroken pappy, so-called "labor leader" Foster, they have successfully shown their determination to resist the crushing oppression of wage slavery and to defend their right to strike.

This Foster, a sell-out, made a deal with CTS flunkies completely betraying his promises of a fight for a good contract. When he sprung it on the workers they rejected it instantly and threw out all the "gentleman's rules" to do the forbidden -- to strike in defiance of management, the courts, the notorious Ferguson Act (which prohibits public employees from striking), the bourgeois press, and their own kernel of running-dog hacks. This bold strike, started by a small group, but instantly taken up by all the drivers, completely confounded all these reactionaries and set them howling loudly. The loudest yelp in the whole chorus was from Foster, who slandered and maligned his own men to try and force them back to work.

The drivers firmly rejected his phony contract by denouncing it at meetings, holding firm on their strike, and finally by voting more than two to one against the contract.

They took up the weapon of proletarian mass democracy in all their meetings - sweeping away the formal rules and regulations to do what they knew they needed. They didn't wait for formal votes to strike; they walked out of useless meetings; they selected their own leaders - real fighters who represented the will of the workers; and they held constant discussion among themselves over the real issues. The CTS workers took up this revolutionary weapon of mass democracy spontaneously, seeing the obvious - that bureaucratic methods are a tool of their class enemy and have no place in their struggle.

The main threat now facing the workers is the use of the bourgeois state apparatus to crush the strike by means of "legal" force. The CTS manager Follack has threatened court action: injunction, lawsuit, and even use of the union rules against the workers. The main aspect of the struggle for the workers therefore shifts from economic (wages) to political (defence of the right to organize). The CTS employees in many cases have expressed their determination to defy such court maneuvers. "Injunction or not, the buses aren't moving!" they declare. Such a firm stand is exactly what is needed, for as long as the workers stick together and don't fall into diversions, like "cooling-off periods", they are in a strong position to successfully resist.

But even if the workers stick together, defy the fascist authorities, and win their strike, the reactionary authorities have come up with a new trick: recently in Cincinnati, a court ruled in a tax-payer's suit that a raise won in a bitter strike should be taken back, because the strike had been "illegal" under the Ferguson Act. So even if the Cleveland City government caves in to the workers' just demands, the reactionaries can use the courts to order the City to take back its settlement. Clearly this fascist threat can only be eliminated completely by revolution against the entire state apparatus - so the long-range defence of working class rights requires preparations beginning right now to defeat rising fascism by overthrowing it at its source: the monopoly capitalist class.

These actions by the bus drivers show the true paper tiger nature of the US monopoly capitalist class and all of its lackeys. They vainly hope that working people will never take up the weapon of mass democracy to oppose their method of elite bureaucracy. They know that, once the working people seize the initiative in their own hands and resolutely attack their enemies, the monopoly capitalists and their "labor leader" hacks will be swept away entirely. **MASS LINE** hails the courageous fighting spirit of the transit workers. We call on them to carry their struggle through to the end and resolutely smash all those who uphold

the fascist rules and regulations of the bourgeoisie. We call on all working people to support the just struggle of the transit workers and to follow their example by 1) fighting against fascist practices in the shops and the community and for the right to organize and 2) by resolutely exposing and annihilating the monopoly capitalists and all their fascist lackeys.

FIRMLY SUPPORT THE CTS STRIKE!
DEFEND THE RIGHT TO ORGANIZE!
DEATH TO U.S. MONOPOLY CAPITAL!

FASCISTS PLAN PHONEY HARD-HAT MARCH

On July 26, in Cleveland, Ohio, the fascist Wallace movement will crawl out of its hole, dress up a motley band of union hacks, police agents and anti-people elements in phoney "hard hats", hold a brief motorcade to downtown, stage a "patriotic rally" and announce to the public that they have once again defended the scum of the earth, the Nixon-Agnew gang and their billionaire masters, from the just anger of the people.

The two lines are clear. On June 20, the American Communist Workers Movement (M-L) led the growing revolutionary forces in denouncing Nixon-Agnew as outright fascists imposing Hitlerite repression on the American people and the people of the world, and called for the overthrow of the U.S. monopoly capitalist class in order to relieve the working and oppressed people of their grinding oppression. Now these fascists come forward shamelessly praising these enemies of the people, whipping up racism to divide the masses against each other, excusing all their towering crimes and attacking the progressive forces. Can there be any doubt that these phonies who praise the stars and stripes in every breath only stand for a new Nazism and for the complete enslavement of our people to the capitalist class?

These local scum have dared to attack a young woman comrade of ours (when she was out-numbered twenty to one), who was selling **MASS LINE** at the West Side market. Undaunted, she fought them tit-for-tat and has persisted in selling at the market every week since then. On July 4, at Edgewater Park, the fascists were surprised to see broad masses of the people buying **MASS LINE** under the very noses of the lackey police and Wallace fascists and ignoring their display of "hard hats" for sale. To these Nazi elements we say: "Blood debts will be paid in blood!"

The gangsters Nixon and Agnew have plotted to build a national fascist movement, starting with the police-led "hard hat" attacks on anti-war demonstrators in New York City this April. Since then Nixon has met with New York and national building trades hacks to frantically organize further attacks all across the country. These attempts are meeting with widespread failure because the communists and progressive forces have prepared to meet counter-revolutionary violence with revolutionary violence and because the actual construction workers have a deep hatred for the imperialists

too and are presently hard-pressed by unemployment due to inflation and Nixon's curtailment of federal construction. Having the basic interest to join the revolutionary movement rather than attack it, these workers as well as the entire working class and people are showing their distaste for the union hacks and fascists in daily struggles and are refusing to give the fascist movement wide-spread support.

The ACWM (M-L) calls on all revolutionaries and progressive people to denounce the fascist "movement" and its attacks on the people's democratic right to rebel against reactionaries. Expose the phoney "hard-hat" marches, denounce fascist Nixon-Agnew, and support the true revolutionary aspirations of the American working class and oppressed people!

REVOLUTIONARY YOUTH

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going among the broad masses to do mass work.
6) Completely rely on your own initiative to resist all attacks.
7) Constantly sum up experiences before and after each action.

With young communists like these coming forward in a growing stream, fearless and devoted to the American Communist Workers Movement (Marxist-Leninist) and Mao Tse Tung Thought, an entirely new stage in the American proletarian revolution will open up. Thousands and thousands of our young people will follow their footsteps and join the revolution in the very near future.

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