

Editorial: AWAY WITH ALL PESTS! OUR FORCE IS IRRESISTIBLE!

This is the second issue of THE NEW WORLD. Our first issue which came out in March this year has aroused much discussion in the left-wing movement in Britain. The analysis of the stage in the world and the revolutionary tasks that are necessary for this stage have proved to be extremely controversial. Many have expressed disbelief in the position taken by the Workers' Institute and have asserted that the situation is not as excellent as the "innocent souls" in the Workers' Institute have shown! A number of otherwise quiescent forces have been aroused out of their slumber in the Marxist-Leninist circles and have shown such vigour in "repudiating" the "leftism" of THE NEW WORLD. Used to picking dung heap in the backyard of the workers' movement, they cackle at anything new that the genuine communists do.

A most interesting development in this period has been the "get-together" of the most ludicrous assortment of opportunists who, under the guise of the Zimbabwe "Solidarity" Committee, are trying to cover up the crimes of the two superpowers, the main enemies of mankind while highlighting the strength of the limping British imperialists. At the same time they totally negate the strength of the people of the Third World led by Socialist China, in particular the strength of the African people. In concert with this, the band who follow the renegade Hardial Bains are busy stepping up their activities to organise minority nationalities of Third World origin to concentrate solely on the politics of their respective countries of origin, hoping thus to neutralise or make ineffective their role in the imperialist heartlands in representing the offensive of the Third World people and fighting in unity with the working people in the imperialist heartlands against the two superpowers and their hangers-on. During this same period, the British monopoly capitalist class, finding themselves in their graves with rapidly deepening economic crisis and a working people on the warpath have been forced to use what they hope is their 'ace', as it were -- Reg Birch! Making 'Nazi' pronouncements, this former 'tea boy' seems prepared to sell out for any amount of 'tea money' from his masters!

The developments in the world and Britain since our first issue, however, has borne out clearly the correctness of the position of the Workers' Institute. Ample examples can be cited. Suffice to note the following: (a) The victories of world significance won by the Cambodian and Vietnamese people in April, coming as they did in quick succession showed the thorough-going weakness of the two superpowers. A small nation can indeed defeat a big nation, a weak nation can indeed defeat a strong one, if it applies Chairman Mao's theory of people's war. Following this earth-shaking events, one after another other small countries have also won victory in the short span of a few months: Mozambique, the islands of Cape Verde, Comoro, Sao Tome and Principe, and now Laos. People's war is raging as never before, inspired by these events. In some places, such as Zimbabwe, armed struggles of the people are pushing ahead in spite of so many difficulties. (b) The Third World countries are closing their ranks with a deep sense of urgency and mounting powerful struggles for a new international economic order, thus driving the two superpowers into unprecedented isolation and utter frenzy. The latter are thus cutting one another's throat at every turn while trying to cover this up through "handshakes in space" and fruitless discussions on "detente" and "disarmament" on earth. Furthermore, the people of the world are more conscious today that you can't fight your enemies with snakes in your pockets, such as the revisionists, in particular the Soviet revisionists. The recent events in Angola are a timely reminder. (c) These rapid developments in the Third World have intensified the final death-throes of the imperialist system. Finding their attempts to push the burden on to the Third World increasingly thwarted the imperialist bourgeoisie is stepping up the exploitation and oppression of the working people in their home base. Roaring inflation, massive unemployment, etc. are giving rise to increasing poverty among the people. Hunger and starvation are increasing. The situation is so unbearable that it is giving

rise to the most massive upsurge of the working people in the imperialist heart-lands as never before. Poverty gives rise to a desire for change, a desire for action, a desire for revolution. The dying imperialist bourgeoisie are indeed sitting on a social volcano which will explode at any time! (d) In China, the bright red baptizing in a deep-going mass movement to study the theory of the dictatorship of the proletariat, since February, this year. Numerous articles and materials to help this study movement have been produced. Nine such documents are included in this issue of THE NEW WORLD. Of particular importance are the two articles, printed herein, one by Comrade Chang Chun-chiao: "On Exercising All-Round Dictatorship Over the Bourgeoisie" and the other by Comrade Yao Wen-yuan: "On the Social Basis of the Lin Piao Anti-Party Clique."

All these show clearly the excellent situation in the world where the people of the world led by the Communist Party of China and Chairman Mao are on the verge of launching the final offensive this year to dismantle the old world of colonialism, imperialism and hegemonism and build the new world of socialism. The establishment of the international dictatorship of the proletariat is necessary for this, led by the Communist Party of China and Chairman Mao and with the People's Liberation Army of China as its main pillar. Only thus can mankind march forward to communism.

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