**DEATH TO U.S. IMPERIALISM**

**IRANIAN PEOPLE DENOUNCE SENATE RESOLUTION**

Only days after the U.S. Senate unanimously passed a resolution condemning the poisoning executions of former generals, police agents and government officials of the Shah’s regime, the Iranian people’s own resolution was heard loud and clear.

More than 200,000 Iranians marched on the U.S. Embassy in Tehran on May 25 where they set American flags ablaze and hung an Uncle Sam dummy from galleries outside the embassy walls. Chants of “Death to U.S. Imperialism! Death to Carter!” thundered through the streets. As a life-size effigy of Jimmy Carter was passed hand over hand above the crowd, it was torn to shreds.

This powerful outpouring of the Iranian people’s hatred for U.S. domination capped nearly a week of demonstrations organized by a broad spectrum of Marxist-Leninists and pro-Soviet imperialists that jammed the streets time after time.” Pointing to a study done at Cleveland State University, which derives from that service (in the Vietnam War), then dear colleagues, we unanimously passed a resolution condemning the continuing executions of the Shah’s regime. At the end of the week, the announcer asked, “Now what does the U.S. Senate want us to do with people like this?”

More Open Support for Iranian Reactionaries

Since the popular insurrection in February, the U.S. has kept a low profile and has made repeated overtures to

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**Viet Vets Week**

**“We Used You Once, We’ll Try Again”**

A recent National Mayors’ Conference stated the goal of the official government sponsored Vietnam Veterans Week as: “To capture the productivity and service of the Vietnam Veterans and fashion a new positive image.” Capture the Vietnam vets! With this the government has let it all hang out when he spoke in the marble halls to “loyal Americans” as Jimmy Carter.

Cleveland State University, which showed that 90% of the Vietnam veterans interviewed said they would refuse to serve in Vietnam again and well over 70% said they would advise their sons not to serve, Bonior said, “That can have a serious impact for the future on our foreign policy.”

Rip away the circus tent of pomp and circumstance surrounding the Viet Vets Week events and there is a flashing neon sign which says, GET READY FOR WORLD WAR 3. A very important part of the ruling class’ preparations is trying to rally the Vietnam Veterans behind the national flag and prepare them to be cannon fodder together with millions of others in a world war between the U.S. imperialists and the Soviet social-imperialists. After all, they were good cannon fodder before…

To accomplish this the rulers have to try and clean up their act. Since the War in Vietnam, when thousands of GI’s came back to join the anti-war movement, when vets hurled their medals back on the White House steps and exposed the barriers of Wall Street and their politicians in Washington as international predators, the ruling class has slandered the vets.

The government and reactionary Veterans organizations like the American Legion have called the Viet Vets every name in the book from junks, junkies to psychopathic killers. Now, they have tried to blame the masses of people for turning their backs on the vets,” and put over a picture that the vets are finally being “honored” due to the good graces of the government.

Now “Vietnam vets” win Oscars at the Academy Awards. Now the American Legion is offering $25 to each past that recruits two new Vietnam vets. Vietnam vets are suddenly in demand. Next thing you know it’ll be “Have a Vietnam vet over for dinner at the state house” week. They might even cough up a few—not too many—of the benefits that vets have been robbed of.

Vietnam vets are almost one third of the living veterans in the U.S. and the rulers need them to fight, but more importantly they need to capture the Vietnam vets politically. In this department they have some serious problems. While they need the Vietnam vets, they both hate and fear them.

This was very clear in the Vietnam Veterans Week events. Chicago was a case in point, Prune-face Mayor Jane Byrne held a picnic, where she thanked the veterans for “what you did for your country.” The Chicago Tribune crowned the hope that we could “reconcile any lingering differences caused by the war.” Meanwhile, the park was swarming with undercover cops just in case Continued on page 8

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**Special on Nuclear War**

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Lesson in Capitalist Dictatorship

On May 25, John Spenkelink was executed by authority of the state. His excessiveness and the time-worn, pious and hypocritical justifications the ruling class pulls out in defense of capital punishment, suggesting that their vile act of legal homicide works only when opposed, is put to a revealing test. The capitalists had to explain that Spenkelink, after all, was a "Latin," a "different, in and out of trouble from the time he was fourteen." One would think they were putting him out of his misery.

Overall the ruling class was very pleased with the competition from the crash of flight 191 in Chicago, their show did not go unnoticed. Their press made sure we got the point.

"Spenkelink... sat strapped, gagged and hooded in an austere death chamber... as a black-hooded executioner threw a switch and 2,300 volts of electricity surged through the convoluted murderer's body." Very heavy, "I stood in my chair and saw smoke from Spenkelink's calf. A few inches below the calf, there was a three-inch wound. It looked as if his skin had split, but there was no blood."

This execution was a political outrage. It was an object lesson in capitalist dictatorship. The ruling class is telling the masses of people, "Look, you think your lives are your own? They just got out of line, we might just strap you down and boil you in the cauldron of the other side of their mouths they claim to be protecting society from "hardened criminals." As if the same class of people whose system of despair and dead-end roads drives people like Spenkelink into lives of crime is now doing us a favor by executing them.

Beverly Hills Murder Case

Anti-Iranian Propaganda Blitz


"Freedom of the press" under capitalism is the perfect medium for the job. Just like in the "free press" is the perfect tool for the ruling class to manufacture, cultivate, and maintain a state of confusion and ignorance in the masses of people. In January's Battle of Beverly Hills as a rich woman in Beverly Hills provides a powerful demonstration in January of 2,000 Iranian students who stormed the Beverly Hills mansion of the Shah's sister.

Contact the Revolutionary Worker in your area

In order to whip up public opinion against the people of Iran and the Middle East, the newspapers and TV stations in Los Angeles have even tried to link the recent murder of Joanne Cotsen with the powerful demonstration in January of 2,000 Iranian students who stormed the Beverly Hills mansion of the Shah's sister.

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Supervisor and well-known reactionary. You have to make allowances. A few days earlier the government passed a resolution condemning the executions of various generals, government officials and SAVAK agents who had been responsible for incredible carnage and brutality as part of the Shah's regime in Iran. Those executed in Iran were guilty of the most heinous crimes against the Iranian people. If each one of them could be executed ten times, they would still not get the 'punishment they deserve.' Yet the killers of John Spenkelink are offended by the "injustice" and "inhumanity" of the Iranian government!

Andrew Young, the crusading liberal wimp and apologist for U.S. imperialism around the world, compared Spenkelink's execution with the executions in Iran. Hogwash. This is no abstract moral question. It is a political question, a question of the interest of different classes. In the U.S. today, capital punishment is nothing but a loaded weapon aimed at the masses of people. In Iran it is a weapon wielded by popular demand against the reactionary butchers who have been overrun. Here it is unjust; in Iran it is just. How can they be the same thing?
272 Sacrificed to God of Profit

For the 272 people, their families, and millions more who sympathize with them, the fatal crash of American Airlines Flight 191 was a tragedy, a disaster, but it certainly wasn’t inevitable.

An army of investigators, inspectors and experts invaded Chicago in the days following the crash, creating the illusion that they were on top of the situation, that they would get down to the bottom of this and that any problems discovered would be corrected as to avoid such a catastrophe in the future. Fact chance.

For the media, the story has thoroughly examined every grain detail from the flags marking the bodies to the waves of America in the days following the worst airplane crash in domestic history. The facts are there for the probing and they are responding with an investigative thrust that major airline disasters are not becoming less frequent, they’re becoming more frequent. In the last year there have been at least six other major jet crashes.

The sometimes stated but always implicit message spewed out across the airwaves of America was that installation of this system would have prevented the San Francisco accident. Who are the forces here that separate the shiny buildings of downtown Chicago from the ground and cringing with guns drawn on each other’s robes and tearing at their precious hoods so they could see what hit them. Dropping all pretense of impartiality, the cops pressed the black community, the Klan’s rotten message that their precious Klan took it on the chin, and they are responding with an investigation to “learn who fired the shots.” Though the cops admit shooting came from both sides, and it has been demonstrated, held armed cars cavorted through Decatur, and shot into people’s homes. In one incident, with Decatur pigs’ full knowledge, Klanmen marched right into the Black community, clearly trying to provoke violence. They got—on one robbed man was beaten and shot twice.

As the Klan began to push through downtown Decatur from the poverty-stricken neighborhoods around the Hines family lives and moved on city hall, they were met by an equal number of white helmeted Klansmen with assault with intent to commit murder. These two-bit frontmen for the millionaire capitalist masters have so clearly trying to provoke violence. They got—one robed man was beaten and shot twice.

Meanwhile, the screens and pages of the media are filled with the Klan scam outing the most racist and anti-community police. The press headlined articles “Shoot-out Between Blacks and Whites,” none too subtly reinforcing the Klan’s rotten message that their foul-smelling trash speaks for all whites. If the Klan can’t be stopped in Decatur, while not yet conscious of the need to actively support the struggle of the people’s hatred for and against the KKK, don’t side with the Klan in any way.

The Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC), the major force active around the Hines trial, is obviously trying to provoke violence. They said that Black people would be in church the next day praying for the Klan. Later, after the Klan had vowed that Black people wouldn’t march in Decatur, a group of whites said, “We will march again to our City Hall, to our courtroom. We may be shot down. But the record will show that we have tried.”

As one young Black woman in a crowd of onlookers said: “interrogate” demonstrator after Black people send the Klan scurrying into their profit margins.

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Red Lake, Minnesota. Follow-up to last week’s Special Revolutionary Worker Report.

The ruling class is out to teach the Red Lake Indians a lesson. The Red Lake tribe accused of playing a leading role in the armed takeover of the police station here May 19 were now behind bars on charges of assaulting federal employees—the four Bureau of Indian Affairs cops on duty on May 20. Their bail runs from $10,000 to $25,000, according to a district attorney—though not yet formally charged—with conspiracy. Yet more charges, including the extension of the armed takeover that was followed by hundreds of tribal members burning down the police station and holding the FBI and other federal authorities off the reservation. Now “order” has finally been restored on the reservation. Scores of BIA cops armed with automatic weapons continue to occupy the little fort they have set up for themselves in the middle of the reservation. The FBI draws all over the place, threatening and intimidating, and enraged because nearly everyone they question answers that they know nothing.

Roger Jourdain, the tribal chairman whose two-bit dictatorship over this reservation was the target of the armed occupation, is still confined to his home. He took note of the .22-caliber rifle he was certain would come in handy in his defense and so reached into his pocket—for a weapon, something the tribe members aren’t used to. But the new man has been able to do little, and informed sources believe that even this crumb may soon be snatched away. The government played it cool and “neutral” until the people put down their guns and the spotlight was no longer on them, then it moved in with a vengeance against them.

Big Money
What’s at stake here is very big money. This is one of the two reservations in this country where the tribe still owns the land—660,000 acres of reservation and another 156,000 acres of woodland scattered between the reservation and the Canadian border. The land is thick with aspen, birch and ash trees, valuable timber crops that have just now become mature enough to harvest again, having grown twice since the area was last logged over ending around 1920. It is lumber and other natural resources and Indian labor that have the capitalists’ mouths watering.

Three of North America’s largest lumber monopolies have recently announced plans to set up pulpboard plants in the town of Bemidji, 30 miles south of the reservation, where a fourth such plant is already located. Each of these represents a $20-$40 million investment. Where will they get the wood to manufacture the pulpboard? Some will come from government-owned land—and the tribe members say Jourdain may have sold the government even more than it has stolen already. The rest will come from the reservation itself. The trees will be cut and hauled especially by Indians, and many Indians are expected to work in the processing plants.

Informed municipal sources say, off the record, that these companies want Indian labor almost as much as they want their trees, because the conditions of life are so poor on the reservation that they expect to have to pay very little, and because this will keep resistance to a minimum. “Low wages, high unemployment and no education is what one company said (in private) had attracted it to the area. Local newspapers have called this situation “a bonanza for the wood industry in northern Minnesota.” Also eager to get in on this feast is the Control Data Corporation, which is about to set up its own factory in town to suck richly out of Indian and all other labor.

Oppressing Indian Peoples
The ability of these companies to exploit the workers more here than elsewhere is mainly dependent on the oppression of the Indians, which is the real “bonanza” for the capitalists in northern Minnesota. Through the Bureau of Indian Affairs, which “regulates” life on the reservations, the tyranny of the local police and petty dictators like Roger Jourdain, and the general workings of the system, the Indians are kept down in backward, economic and social conditions.

They work for very little at logging, in the lumber mill, or at commercial fishing, and much of the time they cannot find work. Although the authorities have been “punishing” the tribe by keeping the reservation hospital closed.

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El Salvador
5,000 Defy State of Siege

5,000 Salvadorans raised clenched fists during a funeral and demonstration for people killed near the Venezuelan Embassy May 22. This was in open defiance of the government’s 30-day state of siege, ordered after the Education Minister was assassinated in retaliation for the latest murders at the hands of the Romero dictatorship.

El Salvador’s rulers issued their decree in a desperate attempt to suppress the rising tide of struggle. It is clear from this demonstration alone that the people will not be stopped from carrying out the verdict the Salvadoran dictatorship has written for itself with the blood of the Salvadorans.

.22 Caliber Lynching in St. Louis

St. Louis—The murderer, like 1001 killer cops, claimed that the 14-year-old negro who had been shot in the head the night before, was “just a nigger” who should be killed. William Eggers, a 22-caliber rifle and a capitalist twist of logic that it was the nigger who began to walk away from the trigger-happy maniac.

“Shoot that nigger—don’t let them leave,” egged on killer Eggers’ partner as they pushed Ricky from his bike, according to a witness.

Defiant, head raised, Ricky began getting up, hands raised above his head. He took note of the 22-caliber rifle barrel he was looking down and of the racist fool behind it. Blam! Into the air. Blam! Into Ricky Davis’ back. 14-year-old Ricky Davis died three hours later.
CARTER MIRED LOW IN POLLS. GROWING MOVEMENT TO DRAFT KENNEDY. Headlines. It's not even 1980 yet and the 1984 campaign appears to be already thumbing and stamping. Democrats and Republicans alike are climbing on to the bandwagon to exhort the crowd, hawk their favorite brands of presidential snake oil. And make no mistake about it, this time they are searching for a sure-fire tonic, a product they can process, package and really sell.

Their sickly system needs a dose of powerful medicine, a charismatic leader who can "heal the wounds" and "unify the nation." With the economy tottering on the brink of recession and confrontation with their Soviet rivals sharpening daily, more than ever they need a man for the times—a president for the 1980s who will be able to preside over the hard times they have in store for us and galvanize the nation behind their moves toward war.

Unfortunately their humble servant Jimmy doesn't seem particularly suited for the job. But it's not as if he didn't serve his purpose—for a time they need ed this "man from nowhere" with his pincushion-pierced maxillo-Bostonian smile. The war in Vietnam, the Watergate exposures of bribery, corruption, and dirty tricks had severely damanged the tarnished halo with which they surrounded their cherished "democratic process." Back in 73 he was just the ticket—a folksy, "clean and honest" "vic-politician" who could be dangled before the American people to try and restore their dwindling faith that anything could ever be accomplish ed through the ballot box. He was the best bet available for a time simply because he was the least known, the man from nowhere.

But by now Carter is enveloped in the same foul smelling aroma that covers every capitalist politician after they take office. Soaring inflation at record levels, gas lines growing, the economy on the skids, recession on the horizon—disillusionment with Carter is growing, and more and more he is looking like the perfect fall guy.

It is not that Carter couldn't be remolded—his elastic image could possibly be stretched for a few more miles. But this lastistant of the bourgeoisie is hardly inspiring, hardly playing the part of the "man with a vi sion that is desperately needed." The U.S. rulers know it will take much more than goofy grins to get over with the drastic measures they are seemingly about to tighten up the economy and challenge the inroads made by the Soviets over U.S. imperialist turf.

"Grassroots" Movement

So suddenly the race is on and New York is kicking it to—TEDDY IS COMING ON STRONG!—Mr. Christma himself! As if on cue, a group of Democrats filled with talk of "draft Kennedy" announce that Jimmy Carter has "betrayed" the party and must be dumped in its standard bearer. As the wave of the banner, an orchestrated "Draft Kennedy" movement instantly materializes in no less than 15 states, springing up from the "grass roots" (a high-sounding term for millionaires, labor hacks, media public opinion makers and the rest of the well-liked Kennedy machine). And the airwaves are filled with talk of "draft Kennedy" whenever someone knows he already enlisted years ago.

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The voice on the other end of the phone had a rasped white to it, as the vermin on the Nazi hotline recording in Chicago mouthed off about how the upcoming Rock Against Racism was an attack on the Nazis. Damn Straight. And More. Rock Against Racism in Chicago’s Lincoln Park on June 9 promises to rattle the windows and shake the walls from the biggest banks on LaSalle Street to the giant pig pen on State Street to the Nazi headquarters in Marquette Park.

Chicago—where last year 5000 angry demonstrators protested the spectacle of Frank Collin’s and his Nazi rat pack rallying on the steps of city hall, protected by hundreds of police under the watchful eye of the Mayor. Chicago—where roving bands of Nazi youth threw rocks at black people in Marquette Park, screaming “White Power,” protected by the “law.” Chicago—where black people have been attacked and beaten in Marquette Park, their homes burned down, and the authorities said nothing.

June 9, in Lincoln Park, a sound explosion will aim straight at the system that gives rise to the oppression of Black and minority people. The system that breeds racism and scum like the Nazis who attack Black people and thrive on intensifying divisions among the people like rats thrive on garbage. RAR says, “We’re black, we’re white, we’re dynamite!” And the June 9 concert promises to be a powerful show of support for the Rock Against Racism movement.

RAR will go straight up against the music establishment. Linda Rontowski, with her America right or wrong garbage, and other fat musicians. The music including punk, blues, salsa, reggae and other rock bands is shaping up to be more than just a jamboree in the park. Tom Robinson Band will be there. Tom Robinson Band has played a powerful role in building RAR in England where it originated, to take on the racist attacks of the fascist National Front on immigrants from the West Indies and Pakistan. And the “Rock and Revolt” sound of Prairie Fire, a revolutionary band from San Francisco is sure to deliver a powerful blow with songs like “Overthrow the Government” and “How Does America Spell Rebur?”

Rock Against Racism, June 9, Lincoln Park, Chicago. How could anyone be there? It’s “Everytown, U.S.A.” and Rock Against Racism is right on target.

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The Revolutionary Communist Party, receives many letters and requests for literature from prisoners in the hell-hole torture chambers from Attica to San Quentin. There are thousands more brothers and sisters behind bars who have refused to be beaten down and victimized in the dungeons of the capitalist class and who thirst for and need the Revolutionary Worker and other revolutionary literature to help make possible getting the Voice of the Revolutionary Communist Party as well as other Party literature and books on Marxism-Leninism, Mao Tsetung Thought behind the prison walls. The Revolutionary Worker is establishing a special fund. Contributions should be sent to:

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LETTER FROM WALLA WALLA PRISON REBEL

My name is R. Clyde Washburn and I was one of the “three” humans that took over the building and the hostages in our fight to get human treatment. I believe that in our case—the only way to get the world to sit up and take notice of the inhuman conditions of this prison is to shock them. And I believe that what we did has a little bit of shock effect may as well as if we had killed one or two of the hostages—but we need public support—not public lynching for murder. All we are asking for is to be treated like humans and in which it would be hard—at this time—to ask for human treatment if we had responded like they—they meaning the public’s image of us anyway (criminals)—and killed. So this time around all we wanted was public notice.

I might add that in a sense we have raised a few eyebrows out there—over the past 10 days we have received numerous letters of support.

Now all this is well and good but like in the past—we fear that this will all die down in a matter of weeks and this state will fall right back into the slot it has been stuck in for the past 25 years in regards to human conditions.

These cries for help have been cried before and no one seems to care—especially those who run this world—the capitalist pigs whose only god is the almighty dollar bill. Well, and a hell they are about to see! The pig and a bond issue allocation of funds—that automatically wind up in some fat slob’s pocket.

The very crourse of us prisoners in Sing [Isolation] that are fighting for our rights and until they take us out of here in a back bag will be very hard to be observed.

For rights to decent food; proper medical care (many have died in this hospital for lack of care), proper housing (we now have 4 men in a cell that was designed for 2), a right to treatment and programs (there is no positive run programs in this joint that are of any use).

Then we come to Sing—where once we are in here we are subject to—no mercy—improper conditions—and beatings (some fatal) from the pigs that surround us. (Myself—Shane Green—and Carl Harp—the 3 who took over the C & P building have been told that once this dies down—we will be eliminated.) But we know that that might happen so we need the federal courts to protect us from the state. We all live in fear for our lives daily—either by beating—or poisoned thru food. I myself haven’t eaten for over 3 weeks (for fear of my life).

We three believe that the only reason we are still alive is because of our upcoming trial for the taking of hostages that will start on May 24th. It would be too hard to explain our disappearance so I am going to write a few lines.

I must say that this upcoming court trial is a godsend—for we three have plans on exposing this state for what it is. The Supreme Court stated that every man has the right to protect his own life and mental condition. Anyway he can—to in that regard we did no wrong in the taking of hostages to protect our lives from the pigs on the yard—and the inhuman treatment from the State of Washington. (Using us as a black mark from guards and being provoked into violence.) There was no physical violence on May 9th—that is not to say there won’t be at another May 9th. But I appeal to you as fellow human beings who are also involved in the fight and struggle for the common people of the world.

I truly believe that the only time real change will come about in this fight is when the common people take it upon themselves and remove the present government and ideals.

I admit that I am not a political type writer or am well read enough to be sure that who my intelligent reader is affected at.

All I know is that my rights are being denied daily thru visits—food—threat of death—and being treated like some animal. And if I die for what is rightfully mine—to be treated at least humanely.

I can only hope that someone can understand and help—however small—for I have no family or loved ones left alive to help me.

In fight for my life
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Shane Green, one of three courageous prisoners who seized a building and took hostage the authorities here in the Washington State Penitentiary.

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Great storms are gathering on the horizon. With imperialism caught in the throes of a profound political crisis, world wars loom ever closer and the U.S. bourgeoisie is already taking up its places of attack on the revolutionary forces in Iran.

In the face of this growing turmoil many forces, especially among the petty bourgeoisie, so-called "radicals," and "revolutionaries" and "communists" seek to make a show of opposing the U.S. bourgeoisie deliberately at the U.S. bourgeoisie.

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What a revealing and pathetic action. China has taken, one would infer! We are presented with a picture of China as an index Jenin in the U.S. bourgeoisie's drive to maintain its dominance over China's cadre, beating the drums and to satisfy the nationalist allegiances of the masses. They lay out their views on China's role in the U.S. bourgeois.

A case in point is the Workers Viewpoint Organization (WVO)—a little dogma seems reserved for the destruction of all revolutionary activity. In practice, as we make it "vulnerable," they do in Angola. This convenient omission is made to serve their current keep up to U.S. imperialists. They say that while actually upholding their actions in service to the U.S. imperialists. They end up with a confused position on China.

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"Socialist" rhetoric they can muster to cover up the actual imperialist manifestations of the situation. The masses can't possibly understand such matters as "spread anti-communism", "aid the bourgeois", and any number of such slogans. But the U.S. bourgeoisie can objectively oppose imperialism in a particular action or stance, WVO has again totally avoided (conveniently left out) the real role China is playing as a front man for the U.S.

In fact, they end up as loyal opposition to reaction—attacking the revisionism of Teng and Hua in words while actually upholding their actions in service to the U.S. imperialists. Imperialism.

"Forgetting" U.S. Imperialism

In their April 1-15, 1979 newspaper they say the U.S. bourgeoisie now has to do this. They say, for example, that "China's main danger is the entry of U.S. imperialism. So here we have it—a mere show of opposing the U.S. bourgeoisie."

And we'd like to ask the twisted newsmen how many times have they been presented with a picture of China as an index Jenin in the U.S. bourgeoisie's drive to maintain its dominance over China's cadre, beating the drums and to satisfy the nationalist allegiances of the masses. They lay out their views on China's role in the U.S. bourgeois.

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Vietnam Vets Week

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the honored guests didn't go for the elaborate scan. One vet who had given a clenched fist salute at several times during the day made the mistake of stepping onto the grass. The pigs were on him in seconds, and threw him out of uniform and onto the cold asphalt, even a little bit—and see what you get.

But the biggest scam of all was the way they made a show of allowing for differences. In some cities they even said that if the Vietnamese Veterans Against the War would only sign up as a sponsor of the events, they could participate. VVAW refused, but attended these events with some other things in mind. In San Francisco, this turned into a diorama for the brass when a disabled vet from VVAW blew their whole panic scene away. (See article below)

But at least they were able to get a few speakers to mount the stage and play the game of "Freedom and Democracy" with them: Ron Kovic, a well known anti-war vet, played right into the hand of the ruling class. He said the demonstration that the difficult lessons come off for all and put this war behind us.

Sorry Ron, they’re not putting war behind them, they’re getting ready for the next one. It will make Vietnam look like boot camp. We don’t need any more illusions spread around, the bourgeoisie is already doing that.

Another welcome protester on the stage was well known anti-war vet, played right off the stage when the show airs in this country next fall?

One serious question remains, however. Will we be able to distinguish between the bears and the other animals when the show airs in this country next fall?
Pittsburgh, Calif.—Saturday, May 26.—The murdering hand of capital struck again as an explosion ripped through a new facility at the big Dow Chemical plant at 8:30 a.m., killing two workers, hospitalizing 22 and sending 80 others to hospitals for treatment.

A 600-gallon tank in which iron powder and chlorine were being mixed to make ferric chloride, a catalyst in the production of agricultural pesticides, suddenly heated up to 120 degrees above normal. There was no direct alarm from the control room to the table area, so the one inspector on duty went out to investigate.

Within seconds, however, a massive explosion occurred—windows were rattled five miles away and a big cloud of hydrochloric acid shot up into the sky. Inside the place it was bedlam. Men were knocked down, unable to see as the gas spread everywhere. Many were covered by a chemical which looked like black tar. Jack Wright, 48, died instantly and Gabriel Martinez, 44, father of eleven, was burned so badly and inhaling so much gas that he died shortly after. One worker described the scene to the media as being “like Vietnam. There were bodies and debris everywhere. It looked like a mortar had landed on a bunker.”

At first, all the company’s spokesmen expressed disbelief when questioned. “We can’t say anything from the data that looks wrong.” (Overlooking the obvious fact of two dead men and a wrecked plant), said Mike Marinek, project manager. “We think there’s something Mother Nature’s keeping from us,” said Jack Jones, Dow researcher drily (a little humor to lighten the moment).

Mr. Marinek had guided the press on a March 21 preview tour of the new part of the plant. He praised the plant as “very safe for the workers,” and noted that it was a “feather in the cap” of anyone working on the project. He spoke of how much more safe and efficient (read: cheaper) this new process was. Incredibly enough, after the explosion another company spokesman claimed, “The plant was safer than others because of its design.”

The workers at Dow told a different story which shattered the web of lies spun by the company. They told of being pushed hard to complete the project in time to fill insecticide orders for the summer crops. Even as they were working on constructing the area, manufacturing had already begun.

The new process was tried twice; Saturday was the third time (company officials point out that it worked fine then until). Almost every day, deadly chlorine gas escaped. Four workers were overcome in the last week and rushed for treatment. Dow officials claimed they had a 24-hour virus or had too much heavy clothing on, which led to heat prostration.

In fact, in this safest of all plants, Dow’s testimony to its ingenuity, the plant officials have gone to court twice this year in order to prevent any government agencies from inspecting the plant. On Feb. 1, Dow successfully filed suit to prevent the Environmental Protection Agency from taking any aerial photos of the plant in attempts to monitor emissions. Then, in April, they won again, as the judge ruled that OSHA had to back off from attempts to inspect the plant.

The tape of the incident. The tape of that report, material evidence Important

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Attorney for the prosecution, William H. Collins, Jr., an ex-Marine officer has filed a motion that would prevent the defendants from discussing the proceedings in the trial at the revisionist Chinese Embassy shortly before Teng’s U.S. trip.

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Nuclear war is no Dr. Strangelove fantasy. It's something the “best minds,” the most sober experts of this country and the Soviet Union are thinking, planning, computing every day. It is not “unthinkable.”

On May 23, the New York Times opened its back pages yet another Congressional study. Small A*War Is Called Survivable" ran the headline. Reading deeper you can get the drift. These bastards are no longer yakking about nuclear weapons as "deterrents." They are making plans about how to fight a nuclear war and win. They are calmly discussing holding the lives of millions hostage and then playing them off like pawns. The Times article states, "In an all-out nuclear war, the study concludes 185 million Americans would be killed and almost as many Soviet citizens. The survivors would be forced to live under conditions equivalent of the Middle Ages." According to CBS News, "95% of all the people who live with the Soviet Union are going to be dead in a week."

"However, in a small nuclear exchange, if only the strategic forces and additional key military targets would be attacked, the study says, fewer people would be killed." The basic estimate they run is 20 million. This then report gets down to what is termed "discussing the impact" of such a loss. These gentlemen conclude, "The United States has never suffered the loss of millions of people, and it is unlikely that the survivors would simply take it in stride.

TAKE IT IN STRIDE!! These sons of bitches are coldly calculating the best way to murder millions and come out on top—and on top of the American people as well as the Russians.

A big question that comes up around the question of nuclear weapons is whether or not the United States has ever considered the possibility of subduing the Soviet Union with a small nuclear war. This is a most serious question because these weapons have been developed for no reason. They've been developed not only to threaten the other side, but also if a showdown comes the question is, will they use these weapons? And what will be the consequence if they use these nuclear weapons? Now some people have mistaken ideas about this from one side or the other. Some say, "Well, they're not really going to use these weapons because they'll just destroy the whole world and they don't want to do that. After all even if they want to be explorers they've got a certain amount of sense so there's no point in them using all these nuclear weapons. They'd just blow up the whole world and they don't want to do that."

Or else these people say they won't start a war of any kind, even conventional, because of the danger of nuclear weapons being used. So therefore, even though the threat is there and even though we are dealing with a system which has its laws and which drives the class of people who rule this society (and the Soviet Union) to the worst, the most murderous gangsters that have yet lived on the planet earth. Because this is the way they prolong their system, and there's nothing they won't do to try to prolong their rule. Of course they want to exploit people, but when it comes down to it they have to go at each other and even shoot nuclear missiles across the ocean at each other, they will do it in order to try and keep themselves going a little bit longer. And we can't have any illusions about this.

Let's look at some history. Look at the end of World War 2. Now they had the atomic bomb and a lot of people said they won't use the atomic bomb, they don't need to use the atomic bomb. And in fact that was true from a certain angle, because Japan had already offered to surrender. But there were two things that the rulers of this country were thinking about and were more concerned about, which led them in using those atomic bombs on the Japanese cities and incinerating thousands of people, just dissolve these people right into the ground. They didn't blink an eye.

And why did they do it? Because there were two problems. First, Japan was ready to surrender all right but there was a danger it might turn to the Soviet Union instead of to the U.S. And therefore, the U.S. position coming out of World War 2 might not be as strong as it turned out to be if they couldn't have control in Japan. So they used that bomb on Japan, in order to keep Japan from surrendering right away to the other Americans who were rising up and not only kicking the Japanese but were advancing toward making revolution completely in their country, and to say to people all over the world, "Look at us. We don't give a damn. If you stand up against us we will wipe you out. We are going to rule this world. This is the American century. We are going to rule it and nobody is going to mess with us. We are going to drop an atomic bomb on your ass."
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Crash
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And now the Chicago crash has killed 232, with more than 503 injured. FAA (Federal Aviation Administration), formerly the Civil Aeronautics Agency, now handles all DC-10's in use in this country, stating that severe deficiencies in the engine mounting have been discovered. This has certainly exposed only a small part of the treacherous state of safety practices taken by the airlines these days and more will no doubt come out as this history continues.

American Airlines will blame McDonnell-Douglas, manufacturers of the DC-10, for the accident. McDonnell-Douglas will blame American Airlines for shoddy maintenance. And, unfortunately for the people who were killed on May 25 in Chicago, as well as those who were not, the latter can be held dilute the way in the future, most of the accusations hurled back and forth between these capital giants as they try to disassociate themselves from the crash will be true.

Already some of the dirt has started to hang on the day. The crash, a federal inspector literally stumbled over a $31/4 bolt which had been left by the plane at the passenger gate. The bolt, a part of the engine mount, was broken in half and had been cracked for some time as the investigation admitted.

The DC-10 which crashed had received at least 1,000 shipments of the bolt and the bolt in question was inspected at that time. According to the Los Angeles Times, Boeing, the engine manufacturer, had been receiving complaints in which only surface cracks could have been detected. The engine, of course, would contain internal weaknesses, like x-rays and magna-

When news of this got out, the same question must have occurred to millions: why didn't they just replace the goddamn bolt?

The answer lies in the very workings of the capitalist system itself. For nearly seven years, the airlines returned what from their point of view was a dangerously low profit margin—less than five percent. While this has been somewhat erratic in the last two years, they have basically run up against the problem of not generating enough profit to replace their fleet of aging aircraft.

Fortune, the slick magazine for businessmen, noted in 1977, "a serious downturn in the economy could leave TWA, Eastern, and Pan Am unable to even cover their operating costs."

Fortune, admitted in reference to the airlines' low profit margin, "doesn't simply hurt investors and creditors. It also prompts corner cutting in maintenance and operations...that making airplanes less safe.

The driving force behind getting airlines in the air (and crashing them on the ground) is the competition between these companies to rake in as much as possible, even if it means a little "corner cutting" in maintenance. American Airlines has gone into war with the other airlines and competition is growing more sharply. The dropping of federal pricing regulations last summer underscored this. The last 18 months have seen the airlines temporarily and driven out and gobbled up several smaller airlines while at the same time, trying to cut corners. Mergers have resulted in a further concentration of capital in fewer hands, leaving the bottom feeders to fight for their lives. They must maximize profits and not only to feel the impact on their employees but on their position relative to the competition or face ruin. It is the basic law of the capitalist system that dog-eat-dog way of life.

The most recent victims of this profit war were the people blown up in Chicago on May 25.

The DC-10 Meatgrinder

One of the most glaring exposures of how just concentrated the capitalists are with safety in the air involves the history of the DC-10 and its role in Chicago--The DC-10. One newspaper drastically understated the situation by describing the DC-10 as possessing an "unsafe" safety record.

The DC-10 was developed in the late 60's as an aircraft specifically saleable to the airlines on a number of counts. McDonnell-Douglas was in a race with its leading competitors, Lockheed and Boeing, to deliver an airplane of this type. To get the planes certified and sold, the DC-10 had only an average of one hour and thirty minutes actual flight time in the airplane. According to a trade magazine, the DC-10 allowed for "significant reduction in the training of pilots and mechanics...slashing off much of the in-depth functional indoctrination of the past."

This functional indoctrination was evidently not all that was cut off. This became clear over the next three years as major structural defects in the DC-10 began to surface. In 1972, an American Airlines DC-10 took off from Detroit. As it reached 15,000 feet, a rear cabin door blew off. The result was rapid decompression and collapse of the passenger cabin floor. A pilot managed to maneuver the plane safely back to Detroit.

After this incident, the staff of the FAA recommended that an airworthiness directive be sent out notifying the airlines of a serious design defect in the DC-10 door. This would have probably grounded all the DC-10's in service, a black eye for the airlines and McDonnell-Douglas, not to speak of the tremendous loss of revenue which each rejected FAA director at the time overruled the recommendation of his own staff and instead, in his own words, made a "gentleman's agreement" with the president of McDonnell-Douglas that included the FAA sending out notices to a few

McDonnell-Douglas customers warning them to repair their doors. Later, the next FAA head explained the impact of such an action, a stab in the back. "The FAA is not the company's predecessor's decision. "The manufacturer's interest is the whole world to know there's a bluish on his aircraft as a result of the in-discriminate release of information pertaining to his aircraft."

Meanwhile, the DC-10 that was to become famous was sitting on the runway at the McDonnell-Douglas plant in Long Beach. The company certified that the door problem had been corrected, the plane was signed off and certified for sale to Turkish Airlines. This DC-10 crashed over France in 1974, killing 346 people. The authorities determined that the cause of the catastrophe was nothing other than a faulty door which had blown off in flight.

But doors certainly aren't the only problem the DC-10 has encountered. The press reported that engines fail two or three times a month and that the Chicago crash wasn't even the first time an engine has completely fallen off the airplane. In 1975, an engine disintegrated in mid-air over New York in 1975 and two years earlier an engine blew up over New Mexico shattering a window and sucking a passenger out of the plane and to his death.

There are powerful economic forces at work behind these interesting. They are not merely the result of the particularly greedy bastard running McDonnell-Douglas. In fact, nobody summed up the phenomenon behind all this better than the president of McDonnell-Douglas himself last year: "Boeing puts planes into the air for half of what we do. Either costs get cut in half, or no lucks will go under."

This is revealed the only real disaster the airlines are concerned about--financial ruin.
**Elections**

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could have its drawbacks. His armor may have saved his life, but his gait might have compromised his mobility. If he stumbled he could have fallen into the water and drowned. If he fell and got injured, he might have been easier for his captors to capture. But as the first guest walked the long corridor to the ballroom, his every step was calculated to impress his captors. His presence was a demonstration of the Emperor's power and authority. It was a清醒的展示 of the Emperor's power and authority. It was a mark of his wealth and status, and it served to bolster his legitimacy and his rule. As the Emperor entered the ballroom, the crowd fell silent, and the air was filled with anticipation and excitement. The Emperor's presence was a reminder of the importance of the occasion, and it set the tone for the festivities that were to come. The Emperor's entrance was a demonstration of his power and authority, and it served to reinforce the idea that he was the rightful ruler of the empire. It was a moment of pomp and ceremony, and it was a testament to the Emperor's charisma and his ability to inspire awe and admiration in those who saw him.
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imperialists, right? Right Indians. Western reports have it that it's also true of the

Soviet social-imperialists. Turn out that since 1970 the Soviets have been purchasing Rhodesian chrome (as well as tobacco and maize) through South Africa, then reselling it at a big mark-up to other countries (including the U.S.), making a handsome profit in the process.

Evoking high praises for their "socialist" and "internationalist" support, the Soviets have made a big deal about helping the black laborers in Zimbabwe (the African name for Rho-
desa) with guns and military training and have loudly denounced the U.S. for supporting Ian Smith's apartheid government and photon new "black major-

ty" puppet government. In fact these moves are part of the reason these expatriate Africans have appeared in the U.S. press. They were leaked by the U.S. to a diplomatic source in the U.N. and obviously meant to add fuel to the fire of U.S. sanctions. So in volume there goes...clearly in the Soviet Union they've been washing in, why shouldn't we? Of course these liars know damn well they've been washing in all along.

Just as the superpowers contend fiercely for economic, political, and military domination throughout Africa, so do the U.S. and South Africa. This elaborate farce of befriending the African people. But both are being more and more exposed as exploitors and doomed overlords that they truly are.

Designated to shake the people's grip, See Revolutionary Worker, "Africa: Superpowers Dig Claw Deep Into South Africa's Heart." The Soviets, of course, have not out
done their capitalist masters in this business done. After all, three U.S. companies (Union Carbide, Fount Memorial, and Union), every volume...