Pope Stumps for U.S. Imperialism

Carter on the Soviet Troops in Cuba
‘This Hemisphere Belongs To Us’

On October 1, President Carter addressed the nation on the question of Soviet troops in Cuba. It was plain from his remarks and the proposals he presented that the U.S. ruling class that ominous clouds are gathering on the horizon and the sound of distant thunder is not so far away. Despite the phony rhetoric being traded between congressional “hawks” and “doves” around the bogus issue of Soviet troops in Cuba, the nation was given the question of preparing for war.

In fact, the whole issue of the Soviet brigade in Cuba has been dredged up by the U.S. rulers for the express purpose of priming the American public for a more aggressive and militaristic stance. Otherwise, they are not too concerned about a single unit of Soviet troops which everybody knows has been stationed in Cuba for as many as 17 years. Besides, the U.S. has a whole 45 square mile military base in Guantanamo only a few miles away. No one really expected the Russians could be bluffed into putting out this brigade which is essential to training their Cuban proxies who are presently spearheading Soviet designs in Africa. So why all the sudden the tremendous hue and cry about the presence of Soviet troops in Cuba? Why the unleashing of various mouthpieces like Sen. Frank Church, transformed overnight from a “dove-like” SALT supporter into an angry “hawk” threatening that unless the Soviet brigade in Cuba has been dredged up by the U.S. has a whole 45 square mile military base in Guantanamo only a few miles away. No one really expected the Russians could be bluffed into putting out this brigade which is essential to training their Cuban proxies who are presently spearheading Soviet designs in Africa. So why all the sudden the tremendous hue and cry about the presence of Soviet troops in Cuba? Why the unleashing of various mouthpieces like Sen. Frank Church, transformed overnight from a “dove-like” SALT supporter into an angry “hawk” threatening that unless the Soviet brigade is removed it will “jeopardize the passage of SALT II”?

But whether to ratify SALT II is really only a tactical disagreement among the ruling class, although a hot one at times. All agree on the need to step up war preparations, and the whole SALT debate is serving as an excellent vehicle to get their reactionary message to the American people. Carter himself admitted that: “The purpose of the SALT treaty and the purpose of my actions in dealing with war are in revolutionary military relationships are exactly the same… True enough—they are both carefully calculated war moves.

The real reason for the Soviet troops in Cuba is this: it has given the U.S. imperialists the perfect opportunity to whip up some anti-Soviet public opinion, put the question of war right out on front street and actually make some concrete moves in the direction of stepping up U.S. military preparations—all under the pretense of “saving the ratification of the SALT treaty,” which is “vital to the cause of peace.” Carter was never expected to actually effect the removal of the Soviet brigade. He had hardly finished his speech when, lo and behold, there was Sen. Frank Church telling reporters, “I think we can salvage the SALT treaty. I believe a way can be worked out which is satisfactory to the Senate.” All this cast in a rather ludicrous light Carter’s statement that “Politics and nuclear armaments do not mix. We must not play politics with SALT II. It is much too important for that.”

The fact that the U.S. imperialists decided to make an issue of the Soviet troops in Cuba now reveals just how badly they are becoming boxed in. In the last few years they have seen the Iranian and Nicaraguan people rise up in revolution against them, and they have backed Cuban troops intervene in Angola and Ethiopia. Latin America has been their stronghold, but now the people are beginning to lose their grip even here in their own backyard. With their “Support Somotena overthrow in Nicaragua and revolution threatening in El Salvador, the U.S. rulers are realizing they must be in a better position to actively prevent any challenge to their traditional domination of the hemisphere. And with Castro open dispatching 1000 “advisors” to Nicaragua they are growing more frantic that the very real possibility of future Soviet-inspired Cuban military adventures in the Caribbean could complicate matters considerably.

So while Carter stopped short of demanding that the Soviets remove the troops or provoking any direct confrontation, he took the opportunity to lay out specific plans to counter the Soviet threat.

Pope John Paul 2 arrived in Boston on October 1, descended from his airplane, kissed the American ground and quickly recited a verse from “God Bless America” and that I love. With his white robes flowing, his medieval religious figure embarked on a tour through the United States, a parade that was accompanied by tremendous fanfare. They virtually shut down the country for him. Prime time television devoted hours of coverage to his movements. There was little else in the newspapers, especially in the cities he visited. Schools were closed. Millions were spent in elaborate preparations. In New York the United Nations became his pulpit. What explains the incredible hubbub around the visit of the head of the Roman Catholic Church?

Guido said that the Vatican had long wanted a Pope who knew how to play the media. Moreover, the whole U.S. ruling class had gotten themselves a pope who could play a vital role in stirring up their crumbling empire. A quick glance at the headlines in the daily papers told the story: “Pope urges U.S. to fulfill its ‘destiny’ in the world.” “Papal peace unites usually violent slums.” “Apathetic college flock to see the Pope.” “‘He’s the only one left to believe in.’” "And from one New York Times October 2 three headlines that gave the full picture: “Catholic Church Says ‘No Popes Command’ ‘Dollar Plunge in Hearts of Romans’ ‘Brings U.S. a Plea for Redecision.’"

Simply put, the pope came here on a political mission, as part of the overall role he is playing for U.S. imperialism in the world today. Behind all the religious ritual and pomp and circumstance the Polish pope had an intensely political message to deliver to the American people and the world. Couched in the terms of Jimmy Carter’s “human rights” campaign and admonitions against materialism he came to preach the faith—faith in capitalism and U.S. world domination.

Of course he couldn’t come right out and say this to many words, but the message was only thinly veiled behind the pontifical doubletalk. The Vatican did not even want to convey the image of a church concerned with the loftier things of another world.” But this world that they...
October marks the fourth anniversary of the Revolutionary Communist Party, USA. The formation of the RCP,USA was a giant and decisive advance for the working class and oppressed people in this country. For since that momentous struggle to the period of the 1960s and the tremendous turmoil, ferment, and revolutionary battles which swept the U.S. there were black people's struggle, especially as it developed into the revolutionary movement of Black Power. Black power movement of the mid and late 1960s, served as a clarion call revolting against the black working class and the masses of all nationalities. The struggle against the Vietnam War, unprecedented in U.S. history, asserted more power into political activity and increased the fears of the imperialist enemy come to recognize by broad sections of the population. Through all this a new generation of U.S. revolutionaries emerged.

But the revolutionaries of the 1960s were cut off from the working class and the revolutionary vanguard, Marxism-Leninism. This was due especially to the fact that the old Communist International had long been dead and had not awakened to political needs. The RCP,USA was the product of the struggle of the U.S. working class and basea upon the scientific theory of Marxism-Leninism, which concentrates the experience of the whole working proletariat. Its birth and development have been marked by the conquest of a series of vital struggles in the political, ideological and organizational fields, and it has taken place in the U.S. over the past ten years. The Party and its leader, Comrade Avakian, have emerged as the most far-reaching, colored force in the country. None of these struggles have been easy victories among least those long-cycles and the revolutions of the class forces shaping society. And the outcome of each of these battles has been decisive in laying the basis for the further advance of the movement.

The roots of the RCP,USA trace most directly back to the period of the 1960s and the tremendous turmoil, ferment, and revolutionary battles which swept the U.S. There were black people's struggle, especially as it developed into the revolutionary movement of Black Power. Black power movement of the mid and late 1960s, served as a clarion call revolting against the black working class and the masses of all nationalities. The struggle against the Vietnam War, unprecedented in U.S. history, asserted more power into political activity and increased the fears of the imperialist enemy come to recognize by broad sections of the population. Through all this a new generation of U.S. revolutionaries emerged.

But the revolutionaries of the 1960s were cut off from the working class and the revolutionary vanguard, Marxism-Leninism. This was due especially to the fact that the old Communist International had long been dead and had not awakened to political needs. The RCP,USA was the product of the struggle of the U.S. working class and basea upon the scientific theory of Marxism-Leninism, which concentrates the experience of the whole working proletariat. Its birth and development have been marked by the conquest of a series of vital struggles in the political, ideological and organizational fields, and it has taken place in the U.S. over the past ten years. The Party and its leader, Comrade Avakian, have emerged as the most far-reaching, colored force in the country. None of these struggles have been easy victories among least those long-cycles and the revolutions of the class forces shaping society. And the outcome of each of these battles has been decisive in laying the basis for the further advance of the movement.

The roots of the RCP,USA trace most directly back to the period of the 1960s and the tremendous turmoil, ferment, and revolutionary battles which swept the U.S. There were black people's struggle, especially as it developed into the revolutionary movement of Black Power. Black power movement of the mid and late 1960s, served as a clarion call revolting against the black working class and the masses of all nationalities. The struggle against the Vietnam War, unprecedented in U.S. history, asserted more power into political activity and increased the fears of the imperialist enemy come to recognize by broad sections of the population. Through all this a new generation of U.S. revolutionaries emerged.

But the revolutionaries of the 1960s were cut off from the working class and the revolutionary vanguard, Marxism-Leninism. This was due especially to the fact that the old Communist International had long been dead and had not awakened to political needs. The RCP,USA was the product of the struggle of the U.S. working class and basea upon the scientific theory of Marxism-Leninism, which concentrates the experience of the whole working proletariat. Its birth and development have been marked by the conquest of a series of vital struggles in the political, ideological and organizational fields, and it has taken place in the U.S. over the past ten years. The Party and its leader, Comrade Avakian, have emerged as the most far-reaching, colored force in the country. None of these struggles have been easy victories among least those long-cycles and the revolutions of the class forces shaping society. And the outcome of each of these battles has been decisive in laying the basis for the further advance of the movement.

The roots of the RCP,USA trace most directly back to the period of the 1960s and the tremendous turmoil, ferment, and revolutionary battles which swept the U.S. There were black people's struggle, especially as it developed into the revolutionary movement of Black Power. Black power movement of the mid and late 1960s, served as a clarion call revolting against the black working class and the masses of all nationalities. The struggle against the Vietnam War, unprecedented in U.S. history, asserted more power into political activity and increased the fears of the imperialist enemy come to recognize by broad sections of the population. Through all this a new generation of U.S. revolutionaries emerged.

But the revolutionaries of the 1960s were cut off from the working class and the revolutionary vanguard, Marxism-Leninism. This was due especially to the fact that the old Communist International had long been dead and had not awakened to political needs. The RCP,USA was the product of the struggle of the U.S. working class and basea upon the scientific theory of Marxism-Leninism, which concentrates the experience of the whole working proletariat. Its birth and development have been marked by the conquest of a series of vital struggles in the political, ideological and organizational fields, and it has taken place in the U.S. over the past ten years. The Party and its leader, Comrade Avakian, have emerged as the most far-reaching, colored force in the country. None of these struggles have been easy victories among least those long-cycles and the revolutions of the class forces shaping society. And the outcome of each of these battles has been decisive in laying the basis for the further advance of the movement.

The roots of the RCP,USA trace most directly back to the period of the 1960s and the tremendous turmoil, ferment, and revolutionary battles which swept the U.S. There were black people's struggle, especially as it developed into the revolutionary movement of Black Power. Black power movement of the mid and late 1960s, served as a clarion call revolting against the black working class and the masses of all nationalities. The struggle against the Vietnam War, unprecedented in U.S. history, asserted more power into political activity and increased the fears of the imperialist enemy come to recognize by broad sections of the population. Through all this a new generation of U.S. revolutionaries emerged.

But the revolutionaries of the 1960s were cut off from the working class and the revolutionary vanguard, Marxism-Leninism. This was due especially to the fact that the old Communist International had long been dead and had not awakened to political needs. The RCP,USA was the product of the struggle of the U.S. working class and basea upon the scientific theory of Marxism-Leninism, which concentrates the experience of the whole working proletariat. Its birth and development have been marked by the conquest of a series of vital struggles in the political, ideological and organizational fields, and it has taken place in the U.S. over the past ten years. The Party and its leader, Comrade Avakian, have emerged as the most far-reaching, colored force in the country. None of these struggles have been easy victories among least those long-cycles and the revolutions of the class forces shaping society. And the outcome of each of these battles has been decisive in laying the basis for the further advance of the movement.

The roots of the RCP,USA trace most directly back to the period of the 1960s and the tremendous turmoil, ferment, and revolutionary battles which swept the U.S. There were black people's struggle, especially as it developed into the revolutionary movement of Black Power. Black power movement of the mid and late 1960s, served as a clarion call revolting against the black working class and the masses of all nationalities. The struggle against the Vietnam War, unprecedented in U.S. history, asserted more power into political activity and increased the fears of the imperialist enemy come to recognize by broad sections of the population. Through all this a new generation of U.S. revolutionaries emerged.

But the revolutionaries of the 1960s were cut off from the working class and the revolutionary vanguard, Marxism-Leninism. This was due especially to the fact that the old Communist International had long been dead and had not awakened to political needs. The RCP,USA was the product of the struggle of the U.S. working class and basea upon the scientific theory of Marxism-Leninism, which concentrates the experience of the whole working proletariat. Its birth and development have been marked by the conquest of a series of vital struggles in the political, ideological and organizational fields, and it has taken place in the U.S. over the past ten years. The Party and its leader, Comrade Avakian, have emerged as the most far-reaching, colored force in the country. None of these struggles have been easy victories among least those long-cycles and the revolutions of the class forces shaping society. And the outcome of each of these battles has been decisive in laying the basis for the further advance of the movement.

The roots of the RCP,USA trace most directly back to the period of the 1960s and the tremendous turmoil, ferment, and revolutionary battles which swept the U.S. There were black people's struggle, especially as it developed into the revolutionary movement of Black Power. Black power movement of the mid and late 1960s, served as a clarion call revolting against the black working class and the masses of all nationalities. The struggle against the Vietnam War, unprecedented in U.S. history, asserted more power into political activity and increased the fears of the imperialist enemy come to recognize by broad sections of the population. Through all this a new generation of U.S. revolutionaries emerged.

But the revolutionaries of the 1960s were cut off from the working class and the revolutionary vanguard, Marxism-Leninism. This was due especially to the fact that the old Communist International had long been dead and had not awakened to political needs. The RCP,USA was the product of the struggle of the U.S. working class and basea upon the scientific theory of Marxism-Leninism, which concentrates the experience of the whole working proletariat. Its birth and development have been marked by the conquest of a series of vital struggles in the political, ideological and organizational fields, and it has taken place in the U.S. over the past ten years. The Party and its leader, Comrade Avakian, have emerged as the most far-reaching, colored force in the country. None of these struggles have been easy victories among least those long-cycles and the revolutions of the class forces shaping society. And the outcome of each of these battles has been decisive in laying the basis for the further advance of the movement.

The roots of the RCP,USA trace most directly back to the period of the 1960s and the tremendous turmoil, ferment, and revolutionary battles which swept the U.S. There were black people's struggle, especially as it developed into the revolutionary movement of Black Power. Black power movement of the mid and late 1960s, served as a clarion call revolting against the black working class and the masses of all nationalities. The struggle against the Vietnam War, unprecedented in U.S. history, asserted more power into political activity and increased the fears of the imperialist enemy come to recognize by broad sections of the population. Through all this a new generation of U.S. revolutionaries emerged.

But the revolutionaries of the 1960s were cut off from the working class and the revolutionary vanguard, Marxism-Leninism. This was due especially to the fact that the old Communist International had long been dead and had not awakened to political needs. The RCP,USA was the product of the struggle of the U.S. working class and basea upon the scientific theory of Marxism-Leninism, which concentrates the experience of the whole working proletariat. Its birth and development have been marked by the conquest of a series of vital struggles in the political, ideological and organizational fields, and it has taken place in the U.S. over the past ten years. The Party and its leader, Comrade Avakian, have emerged as the most far-reaching, colored force in the country. None of these struggles have been easy victories among least those long-cycles and the revolutions of the class forces shaping society. And the outcome of each of these battles has been decisive in laying the basis for the further advance of the movement.
Message from the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile

TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE RCP OF THE UNITED STATES

As Chileans who have suffered in our own flesh the repression unleashed in our country by an oligarchy which is a lackey of the same imperialists who oppress the people of the United States, we want to express our most complete solidarity with Bob Avakian and the 16 compañeros who they want to imprison in an attempt to intimidate the working class revolutionary movement of your country.

This is not the first time that the ruling class of the United States has done this. The examples of the martyrs of May 1st in Chicago, and of Sacco and Vanzetti are proof of it. It is the logic of the reactionaries to use the whip when their demagogic tricks fail to deceive people, as it is the response of the revolutionaries and honest democrats to denounce the falseness of the myth of democracy with which they try to cover the dictatorship of a handful of monopolists who shamelessly invoke the defense of Human Rights so as to better camouflage the actions of their agents inside and outside of the country.

As Marxist-Leninist internationalists, we want to reiterate our recognition and support for the RCP, USA for the courageous demonstrations carried out on the occasion of the visit to that country of Teng Hsiao-ping, ideologue and representative of the revisionist clique in China. These actions, in which comrade Avakian and 77 other compañeros were arrested, were a heavy blow with international repercussions, against the war plans of the U.S. imperialists, and contributed to unmasking the counterrevolutionary nature of the elements who have usurped the leadership of the Communist Party of China.

We also highly value the contribution being made by the RCP, USA to the defense of the thought and work of comrade Mao Tsetung who, even after his death, continues to be furiously attacked by the imperialists and the revisionists of all types as a way to attack Marxism-Leninism.

We express our indignation at the Chinese revisionists' open support of the battle to Free the Mao Tsetung Defendants and Stop the plans of imperialism.

The trial of Bob Avakian and the Mao Tsetung Defendants will begin Nov. 19th. To volunteer to be selected by the Party to serve on this battlefront, contact the address nearest you listed on page 2.

FUNDS URGENTLY NEEDED

The battle to free Bob Avakian and the Mao Tsetung Defendants cannot be waged unless funds are raised. Legal expenses for a trial of this size and significance are enormous. But the decisive battle is not to be fought outside of the courtroom and that battle too needs money. At the end of this month 200 volunteers will be leaving their homes, families and jobs, in order to go to Washington, D.C. for the course of the trial. Your financial contributions are urgently needed to enable these frontline fighters to turn Washington, D.C. into the major political battleground that this trial demands. They will be making tremendous personal sacrifices, and tremendous financial sacrifices by many others will be required to support them and to carry this battle to victory.

They've Thrown Down the Gauntlet—
A Deadly Serious Challenge, and a Truly Great Opportunity . . .

The Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party is issuing a call, throughout this land, to Party members and all others who are willing and determined to make the necessary sacrifices to take their stand with the Party—to volunteer to go to Washington, D.C., beginning a few weeks before the trial starts, and continuing to its conclusion; to join the front lines of the battle to Free the Mao Tsetung Defendants and Stop the Railroad of Bob Avakian; to gather their combined force where the trial is to be held, in the very political capital of our imperialist rulers, and through their united efforts to take the issue of this trial, and the crucial political questions it concentrates, out to hundreds of thousands of people in the Washington, D.C. area, so that by the time the trial starts, and even more so through the course of it, this will become the major political question in that area and indeed throughout the country, known of and talked about on a daily basis by masses of people.

We aim at nothing less than turning that area into a major political battleground, and in so doing and through the support built in every major area, to rock this whole country to its foundation. Two hundred “picked troops” will be selected, trained, political organizers who will fan out across D.C. on a daily basis, educating and activating many times their number.

Message from the Revolutionary Communist Party of Chile

TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE RCP OF THE UNITED STATES

As Chileans who have suffered in our own flesh the repression unleashed in our country by an oligarchy which is a lackey of the same imperialists who oppress the people of the United States, we want to express our most complete solidarity with Bob Avakian and the 16 compañeros who they want to imprison in an attempt to intimidate the working class revolutionary movement of your country.

This is not the first time that the ruling class of the United States has done this. The examples of the martyrs of May 1st in Chicago, and of Sacco and Vanzetti are proof of it. It is the logic of the reactionaries to use the whip when their demagogic tricks fail to deceive people, as it is the response of the revolutionaries and honest democrats to denounce the falseness of the myth of democracy with which they try to cover the dictatorship of a handful of monopolists who shamelessly invoke the defense of Human Rights so as to better camouflage the actions of their agents inside and outside of the country.

As Marxist-Leninist internationalists, we want to reiterate our recognition and support for the RCP, USA for the courageous demonstrations carried out on the occasion of the visit to that country of Teng Hsiao-ping, ideologue and representative of the revisionist clique in China. These actions, in which comrade Avakian and 77 other compañeros were arrested, were a heavy blow with international repercussions, against the war plans of the U.S. imperialists, and contributed to unmasking the counterrevolutionary nature of the elements who have usurped the leadership of the Communist Party of China.

We also highly value the contribution being made by the RCP, USA to the defense of the thought and work of comrade Mao Tsetung who, even after his death, continues to be furiously attacked by the imperialists and the revisionists of all types as a way to attack Marxism-Leninism.

We express our indignation at the Chinese revisionists' open support of the battle to Free the Mao Tsetung Defendants and Stop the plans of imperialism.

The trial of Bob Avakian and the Mao Tsetung Defendants will begin Nov. 19th. To volunteer to be selected by the Party to serve on this battlefront, contact the address nearest you listed on page 2.
A young Palestinian man sits in the front of the courtroom. He looks a little shy because he speaks no English and so can understand little of the proceedings: Defense (to his witness, the Mayor of Hebron, a city in the West Bank): Is there a state of war between the Arab countries and the State of Israel? Mayor: Admitamente, yes. Defense: What is the basis of your personal knowledge that a political conflict exists between the State of Israel and the various Arab countries including the Palestinians? Mayor: We have lived this conflict since the 60s. Defense: What is the basis of your personal knowledge that a political conflict exists between the State of Israel and the various Arab countries including the Palestinians? Mayor: Our personal knowledge is that there is a political conflict between the state of Israel and Palestine. Defense: From your personal knowledge, is there a political conflict between the State of Israel and the Palestinian people? Mayor: Yes, there are two refugee camps very close to the city where I grew up. The women were holding a demonstration and were shouting. They were asking for Israeli prisoners to be freed. President Johnson issued a press release detailing what would have been some of her testimony.

Defense: Have you been able to ascertain whether there is a political conflict between the State of Israel and the Palestinian people? Mayor: Yes, I have. Defense: From your own personal knowledge, is there a political conflict between the State of Israel and Palestine? Mayor: We have lived this conflict since the 60s.

The extradition treaty between the U.S. and Israel stipulates that extradition is prohibited in instances where the act with which the accused is charged is political in nature. U.S. Attorney Sullivan and the State Department of Justice are rejecting to Level Three interrogation. Ziad Abu Ein back to Israel because the Zionists have accused him of planting a bomb in a marketplace in Tel Aviv, Israel, on May 14th. The Mayor issued a press release detailing what would have been some of her testimony.

"We found that in political cases Israel systematically uses torture and denial of due process. Here is how the system works. There are three distinct levels of torture, involving associated sets of techniques:

"Level One: beating on the head and torso with fists and sticks; beating with whip, immersion in cold water; interrogation while nude or shackled in an awkward position.

"Level Two: refrigeration, use of electricity, hanging by the hands or feet, extreme forms of sexual sadism; interrogation accompanied by starvation, enforced sleeplessness.

"The level of interrogation to which a suspect is subjected is largely determined by the nature of the charge which the interrogators are investigating. Level One is generally used with persons accused of membership in Palestinian Organizations—without their having committed any act on behalf of that organization. Level Two is used with persons interrogated in connection with armed operations. Jamal Yassin was interrogated concerning an armed operation—the placing of a bomb in Tel Aviv. He was almost certainly subjected to Level Three interrogation. Ziad, who would be interrogated in the same case if acquitted to Israel, would also be subjected to such torture. I am certain of this judgment as I am certain that the sun will rise tomorrow."

The U.S. government has shown that their concern in this case is much greater simply to see a 19-year-old youth chewed up in the torture chambers of their CIA-trained torturers. This trial is part of U.S. attempts to force a settlement of "the Palestinian problem" with the establishment of some form of Palestinian "autonomy" in the West Bank and Gaza Strip areas now occupied by the Israelis in exchange for the recognition of Israel. It is part of the other side of the Andrew Young and Jesse Jackson negotiations with the PLO. The U.S. is making an overreach to the Palestinian people. They are saying, go along with our program or else. The government is making no pretense of a "fair trial" in this case. Continuously in these hearings the prosecution has accused the judge "stained" him on any testimony relating to the condition of the Palestinian people.

Defense: How many Palestinians were expelled in 1948? Mayor of Hebron: As far as I know, about 600,000. Defense: Do you know what happened to the 600,000 people who were forced to leave? Mayor: They are living now in refugee camps in Syria, Lebanon, the West Bank and all over the world.

Defense: Do you personally know how many refugees are in refugee camps today? Mayor: Over 2 million refugees. Defense: Have you personally visited those refugee camps? Mayor: Yes, there are two refugee camps very close to the city where I live.

Defense: Can you describe the conditions in these camps? Prosecution: Objection. Judge: Sustained.

But Palestinians were more than anxious to testify and let the American people know what is really going on. The following is just one of several incidents involving the Revolutionary Worker. 'Israel has their objective—to strike terror into the hearts of Palestinians here.' This is the same method they use in Israel, day in day out to suppress the Palestinians. This is why Alexandra Johnson, who was for two years the vice-consul in the American Consulate General in Jerusalem, was asked to testify for the defense. Yet at the outset of the hearings Judge Jurco ruled that no discussion of torture in Israeli prison would be permitted. Apparently, evidence of the widespread use of torture by Israeli authorities wouldn't fit the government's fairy tale that if Ziad is extraded he'll receive a "fair trial."

In defiance of this, Johnson issued a press release detailing what would have been some of her testimony.

"We found that in political cases Israel systematically uses torture and denial of due process. Here is how the system works. There are three distinct levels of torture, involving associated sets of techniques:

"Level One: beating on the head and torso with fists and sticks; beating with whip, immersion in cold water; interrogation while nude or shackled in an awkward position.

"Level Two: refrigeration, use of electricity, hanging by the hands or feet, extreme forms of sexual sadism; interrogation accompanied by starvation, enforced sleeplessness.

"The level of interrogation to which a suspect is subjected is largely determined by the nature of the charge which the interrogators are investigating. Level One is generally used with persons accused of membership in Palestinian Organizations—without their having committed any act on behalf of that organization. Level Two is used with persons interrogated in connection with armed operations. Jamal Yassin was interrogated concerning an armed operation—the placing of a bomb in Tel Aviv. He was almost certainly subjected to Level Three interrogation. Ziad, who would be interrogated in the same case if acquitted to Israel, would also be subjected to such torture. I am certain of this judgment as I am certain that the sun will rise tomorrow."

The U.S. government has shown that their concern in this case is much greater simply to see a 19-year-old youth chewed up in the torture chambers of their CIA-trained torturers. This trial is part of U.S. attempts to force a settlement of "the Palestinian problem" with the establishment of some form of Palestinian "autonomy" in the West Bank and Gaza Strip areas now occupied by the Israelis in exchange for the recognition of Israel.
In the wake of the whole Andy Young-PLO affair (see page 4), the question has been in existence, "87 cancer patients were treated for some kind of "mini-state" for the Palestinians in exchange for the recognition of Israeli rights. This deal would amount to a straightforward sellout of the Palestinian people whose struggle has been persistent in their homeland to continue their fight against Israeli occupation. Zionists founded the Israeli state by forcing a "settlement of the Palestinian problem" in order to be free of the struggle of the Palestinian masses. This new front did his SCLC predecessors with old civil rights chants like "I am somebody!" and singing "We Shall Overcome" with Yasser Arafat.

As the facts of the experiment grew, the Senate appointed a subcommittee to investigate. Between 1959 and 1972, the U.S. Defense Department paid the University of Cincinnati $675,000 to conduct research into the physical and psychological effects of "sublethal" doses of radiation. The Army had already done experiments on rats, monkeys, and victims of "low-dose" radiation poisoning. The Senate committee's report states, "Mr. X. to the morgue." "None of your findings systematically on humans."

"Shine the Light of Revolution Behind the Prison Walls"

Shine the Light of Revolution Behind the Prison Walls

Contribute to the Prisoners Revolutionary Literature Fund

The Revolutionary Communist Party is asking the public for financial support for Revolutionary Worker and other Party literature and materials. To help the Party in its struggle to determine the "combat effectiveness" of troops in the period immediately following a tactical nuclear exchange. To help the Party in its struggle to help the masses of people they claim to be our "natural allies." But along with the "Moses in the Promised Land" act came Jackson's fiery rhetoric" about "Israeli terrorism," the security of Israel has been and remains key to the U.S. domination of the Middle East. It has been a 10-year-old child; the oldest, an 84-year-old woman. As incentive to participate in the project, the hospital has given the entire group free medical care, including home visits by their physicians. The transports arrived with the ward a slip of paper, "Mr. X. to Whole Body." He is escorted a seemingly healthy young woman down the corridors and through the tunnels. A month later the transport is back to stretcher him into the small room. The sign on the door reads simply "Whole Body." The patient is then air-painted with water. The experiment consisted of plugging a test group of Jews into a vast network of tunnels and holes over the long it took them to die. Today in the U.S. military, this is called "staging" and the experiments are carried out secretly for the government that are even more deplorable.

The experiment was conducted by the Cincinnati General Hospital and the U.S. Army's research laboratory located in Cincinnati, Ohio. Home of the most expensive, best equipped medical sciences research center ever built in the United States.

"Jesse to PLO: Be a Lackey Like Me!"

"Jesse to PLO: Be a Lackey Like Me!"

In the wake of the whole Andy Young-PLO affair (see page 4), the question has been in existence, "87 cancer patients were treated for some kind of "mini-state" for the Palestinians in exchange for the recognition of Israeli rights. This deal would amount to a straightforward sellout of the Palestinian people whose struggle has been persistent in their homeland to continue their fight against Israeli occupation. Zionists founded the Israeli state by forcing a "settlement of the Palestinian problem" in order to be free of the struggle of the Palestinian masses. This new front did his SCLC predecessors with old civil rights chants like "I am somebody!" and singing "We Shall Overcome" with Yasser Arafat.

As the facts of the experiment grew, the Senate appointed a subcommittee to investigate. Between 1959 and 1972, the U.S. Defense Department paid the University of Cincinnati $675,000 to conduct research into the physical and psychological effects of "sublethal" doses of radiation. The Army had already done experiments on rats, monkeys, and victims of "low-dose" radiation poisoning. The Senate committee's report states, "Mr. X. to the morgue." "None of your findings systematically on humans."

"Shine the Light of Revolution Behind the Prison Walls"

Shine the Light of Revolution Behind the Prison Walls

Contribute to the Prisoners Revolutionary Literature Fund

The Revolutionary Communist Party is asking the public for financial support for Revolutionary Worker and other Party literature and materials. To help the Party in its struggle to determine the "combat effectiveness" of troops in the period immediately following a tactical nuclear exchange. To help the Party in its struggle to help the masses of people they claim to be our "natural allies." But along with the "Moses in the Promised Land" act came Jackson's fiery rhetoric" about "Israeli terrorism," the security of Israel has been and remains key to the U.S. domination of the Middle East. It has been a 10-year-old child; the oldest, an 84-year-old woman. As incentive to participate in the project, the hospital has given the entire group free medical care, including home visits by their physicians. The transports arrived with the ward a slip of paper, "Mr. X. to Whole Body." He is escorted a seemingly healthy young woman down the corridors and through the tunnels. A month later the transport is back to stretcher him into the small room. The sign on the door reads simply "Whole Body." The patient is then air-painted with water. The experiment consisted of plugging a test group of Jews into a vast network of tunnels and holes over the long it took them to die. Today in the U.S. military, this is called "staging" and the experiments are carried out secretly for the government that are even more deplorable.

The experiment was conducted by the Cincinnati General Hospital and the U.S. Army's research laboratory located in Cincinnati, Ohio. Home of the most expensive, best equipped medical sciences research center ever built in the United States.

"Jesse to PLO: Be a Lackey Like Me!"

In the wake of the whole Andy Young-PLO affair (see page 4), the question has been in existence, "87 cancer patients were treated for some kind of "mini-state" for the Palestinians in exchange for the recognition of Israeli rights. This deal would amount to a straightforward sellout of the Palestinian people whose struggle has been persistent in their homeland to continue their fight against Israeli occupation. Zionists founded the Israeli state by forcing a "settlement of the Palestinian problem" in order to be free of the struggle of the Palestinian masses. This new front did his SCLC predecessors with old civil rights chants like "I am somebody!" and singing "We Shall Overcome" with Yasser Arafat.

As the facts of the experiment grew, the Senate appointed a subcommittee to investigate. Between 1959 and 1972, the U.S. Defense Department paid the University of Cincinnati $675,000 to conduct research into the physical and psychological effects of "sublethal" doses of radiation. The Army had already done experiments on rats, monkeys, and victims of "low-dose" radiation poisoning. The Senate committee's report states, "Mr. X. to the morgue." "None of your findings systematically on humans."

"Shine the Light of Revolution Behind the Prison Walls"

Shine the Light of Revolution Behind the Prison Walls

Contribute to the Prisoners Revolutionary Literature Fund

The Revolutionary Communist Party is asking the public for financial support for Revolutionary Worker and other Party literature and materials. To help the Party in its struggle to determine the "combat effectiveness" of troops in the period immediately following a tactical nuclear exchange. To help the Party in its struggle to help the masses of people they claim to be our "natural allies." But along with the "Moses in the Promised Land" act came Jackson's fiery rhetoric" about "Israeli terrorism," the security of Israel has been and remains key to the U.S. domination of the Middle East. It has been a 10-year-old child; the oldest, an 84-year-old woman. As incentive to participate in the project, the hospital has given the entire group free medical care, including home visits by their physicians. The transports arrived with the ward a slip of paper, "Mr. X. to Whole Body." He is escorted a seemingly healthy young woman down the corridors and through the tunnels. A month later the transport is back to stretcher him into the small room. The sign on the door reads simply "Whole Body." The patient is then air-painted with water. The experiment consisted of plugging a test group of Jews into a vast network of tunnels and holes over the long it took them to die. Today in the U.S. military, this is called "staging" and the experiments are carried out secretly for the government that are even more deplorable.

The experiment was conducted by the Cincinnati General Hospital and the U.S. Army's research laboratory located in Cincinnati, Ohio. Home of the most expensive, best equipped medical sciences research center ever built in the United States.

"Jesse to PLO: Be a Lackey Like Me!"

In the wake of the whole Andy Young-PLO affair (see page 4), the question has been in existence, "87 cancer patients were treated for some kind of "mini-state" for the Palestinians in exchange for the recognition of Israeli rights. This deal would amount to a straightforward sellout of the Palestinian people whose struggle has been persistent in their homeland to continue their fight against Israeli occupation. Zionists founded the Israeli state by forcing a "settlement of the Palestinian problem" in order to be free of the struggle of the Palestinian masses. This new front did his SCLC predecessors with old civil rights chants like "I am somebody!" and singing "We Shall Overcome" with Yasser Arafat.

As the facts of the experiment grew, the Senate appointed a subcommittee to investigate. Between 1959 and 1972, the U.S. Defense Department paid the University of Cincinnati $675,000 to conduct research into the physical and psychological effects of "sublethal" doses of radiation. The Army had already done experiments on rats, monkeys, and victims of "low-dose" radiation poisoning. The Senate committee's report states, "Mr. X. to the morgue." "None of your findings systematically on humans."

"Shine the Light of Revolution Behind the Prison Walls"

Shine the Light of Revolution Behind the Prison Walls

Contribute to the Prisoners Revolutionary Literature Fund

The Revolutionary Communist Party is asking the public for financial support for Revolutionary Worker and other Party literature and materials. To help the Party in its struggle to determine the "combat effectiveness" of troops in the period immediately following a tactical nuclear exchange. To help the Party in its struggle to help the masses of people they claim to be our "natural allies." But along with the "Moses in the Promised Land" act came Jackson's fiery rhetoric" about "Israeli terrorism," the security of Israel has been and remains key to the U.S. domination of the Middle East. It has been a 10-year-old child; the oldest, an 84-year-old woman. As incentive to participate in the project, the hospital has given the entire group free medical care, including home visits by their physicians. The transports arrived with the ward a slip of paper, "Mr. X. to Whole Body." He is escorted a seemingly healthy young woman down the corridors and through the tunnels. A month later the transport is back to stretcher him into the small room. The sign on the door reads simply "Whole Body." The patient is then air-painted with water. The experiment consisted of plugging a test group of Jews into a vast network of tunnels and holes over the long it took them to die. Today in the U.S. military, this is called "staging" and the experiments are carried out secretly for the government that are even more deplorable.

The experiment was conducted by the Cincinnati General Hospital and the U.S. Army's research laboratory located in Cincinnati, Ohio. Home of the most expensive, best equipped medical sciences research center ever built in the United States.
The following testimonial was given before RCP Chairman Bob Avakian delivered his speech in Tampa, Florida last week. It is from a 63-year-old woman from France who is an electrical worker and the mother of one of the Mao Tsetung Defendants.

As a supporter of the Revolutionary Communist Party and as the mother of one of the Mao Tsetung Defendants I would like to say a few words on why I believe we need a revolution. I have come to that point of view from a long way. To start with I will say that I was raised in complete ignorance of what “capitalist” and “working class” really mean. I learned that some people have money and some don’t. I learned that there were two kinds of people, the businessmen and the workers—“les ouvriers” or “le peuple” as the French bourgeoisie called them with a sort of contempt.

When World War II was declared it was like a child’s game, the bad guys on one side, the good guys on the other side. We were the good and the bad were the Germans. The rule was to fight them because they wanted to take our soil, our property. At that time I thought, of course, that the governments were there to protect our country, to decide what they had to do to protect their people. Needless to say I also believed everything said in the capitalist newspapers.

With this poor political education, I came to the states 26 years ago. I was told I would live in a free country, a place where I could have everything for practically nothing, where I could get a job for a very good salary, where I could give my children everything they need and want—education, good food, good clothes, vacations, recreation, and a good future. I believed it would be so and was totally disillusioned. I quickly realized that life was not so easy. The day to day living was more and more difficult and as the years passed I had to fight more and more in order to keep a decent life. Rent going up, food prices jumping up every week; transportation, utilities—everything was going up and up.

And what about those great salaries? Well, at my workplace after 12 years of good work for a not so good salary I decided with three other workers to ask for a raise. We wrote a letter asking that our demands be considered. But no way! They said we were troublemakers and they quickly fired us. I was fired in five minutes after working for them 12 years.

I believe it was at that point that I really started to wonder what was wrong with this society. I looked around and started to understand what all the problems we have really mean, where they come from, who is responsible for these problems. The more I studied the facts, the more I understood.

For example, why should we go to fight in other countries for the benefits of the capitalists? Why do we pay so much taxes—taxes used for example for Nixon’s comfort when he was at San Clemente or actually to protect Kennedy and his family? Why should we say brave when Jimmy Carter decided to give his benediction to the spoilt rich girl, Patricia Hearst?

Why should we pay high prices for food because we have to eat and feed our children? Why should we pay high prices for gasoline when we need to drive to get to our jobs? And why should we accept the way the police force is trained to harass people, to give tickets, make arrests? This police who kill without good reason just because somebody is Black or Latin like Paul Leonard or John Johnson right here in Tampa.

Why? Why all these abuses? Because the capitalists need money and they will find more and more ways to get it from us. The capitalists have to protect their interests outside the country. There will be a World War III. We have to stop them, stop the abuses, refuse to be killed for the capitalists’ interests.

People all over the country are more and more fed up with the whole system and ready to fight this system. If we want to survive we have to fight. That’s why we need a Party, a strong Party like the Revolutionary Communist Party to make revolution. We need a revolution and we need a Party to organize us, to give us the necessary direction. This revolution must not be a fiasco, it must be a victory and it will be a victory if the whole working class follows the leadership of the Revolutionary Communist Party.

Finally, I would like to say that being the mother of one of the Mao Tsetung Defendants, I am not ashamed of what my daughter did. I am not afraid of what people tell me about it. Because I am proud that she cares for the future of this country and the future of the working class. I’m scared, but proud. I support what she is doing and will follow her all the way to the revolution. We have a revolution and we will be the winners.

The following testimonial was given before RCP Chairman Bob Avakian delivered his speech in Tampa, Florida last week. It is from a 63-year-old woman from France who is an electrical worker and the mother of one of the Mao Tsetung Defendants.

As a supporter of the Revolutionary Communist Party and as the mother of one of the Mao Tsetung Defendants I would like to say a few words on why I believe we need a revolution. I have come to that point of view from a long way. To start with I will say that I was raised in complete ignorance of what “capitalist” and “working class” really mean. I learned that some people have money and some don’t. I learned that there were two kinds of people, the businessmen and the workers—“les ouvriers” or “le peuple” as the French bourgeoisie called them with a sort of contempt.

When World War II was declared it was like a child’s game, the bad guys on one side, the good guys on the other side. We were the good and the bad were the Germans. The rule was to fight them because they wanted to take our soil, our property. At that time I thought, of course, that the governments were there to protect our country, to decide what they had to do to protect their people. Needless to say I also believed everything said in the capitalist newspapers.

With this poor political education, I came to the states 26 years ago. I was told I would live in a free country, a place where I could have everything for practically nothing, where I could get a job for a very good salary, where I could give my children everything they need and want—education, good food, good clothes, vacations, recreation, and a good future. I believed it would be so and was totally disillusioned. I quickly realized that life was not so easy. The day to day living was more and more difficult and as the years passed I had to fight more and more in order to keep a decent life. Rent going up, food prices jumping up every week; transportation, utilities—everything was going up and up.

And what about those great salaries? Well, at my workplace after 12 years of good work for a not so good salary I decided with three other workers to ask for a raise. We wrote a letter asking that our demands be considered. But no way! They said we were troublemakers and they quickly fired us. I was fired in five minutes after working for them 12 years.

I believe it was at that point that I really started to wonder what was wrong with this society. I looked around and started to understand what all the problems we have really mean, where they come from, who is responsible for these problems. The more I studied the facts, the more I understood.

For example, why should we go to fight in other countries for the benefits of the capitalists? Why do we pay so much taxes—taxes used for example for Nixon’s comfort when he was at San Clemente or actually to protect Kennedy and his family? Why should we say brave when Jimmy Carter decided to give his benediction to the spoilt rich girl, Patricia Hearst?

Why should we pay high prices for food because we have to eat and feed our children? Why should we pay high prices for gasoline when we need to drive to get to our jobs? And why should we accept the way the police force is trained to harass people, to give tickets, make arrests? This police who kill without good reason just because somebody is Black or Latin like Paul Leonard or John Johnson right here in Tampa.

Why? Why all these abuses? Because the capitalists need money and they will find more and more ways to get it from us. The capitalists have to protect their interests outside the country. There will be a World War III. We have to stop them, stop the abuses, refuse to be killed for the capitalists’ interests.

People all over the country are more and more fed up with the whole system and ready to fight this system. If we want to survive we have to fight. That’s why we need a Party, a strong Party like the Revolutionary Communist Party to make revolution. We need a revolution and we need a Party to organize us, to give us the necessary direction. This revolution must not be a fiasco, it must be a victory and it will be a victory if the whole working class follows the leadership of the Revolutionary Communist Party.

Finally, I would like to say that being the mother of one of the Mao Tsetung Defendants, I am not ashamed of what my daughter did. I am not afraid of what people tell me about it. Because I am proud that she cares for the future of this country and the future of the working class. I’m scared, but proud. I support what she is doing and will follow her all the way to the revolution. We have a revolution and we will be the winners.
A Statement by Chinese Communists

To Resolutely Defend Chairman Mao’s Revolutionary Line—

Celebrate the Thirtieth Anniversary of the Founding of the People’s Republic of China—

It has been thirty years since the birth of the People’s Republic of China. In these thirty years, the path of our country’s historical development has gone through twists and turns, hardships and dangers. However, because we had the leadership of the great teachers and great leader Chairman Mao and Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought as our guide for revolution, our advances were toward a correct direction. We broke through the pressure applied by imperialists of various countries thus smashing their scheme to invade China. We further ruthlessly attacked and got rid of the capitalist roaders in power, the compradors, careerists, renegades, traitors, scabs, counter-revolutionary revisionists. Some were weeded out. Some were defeated to the point of being forever unable to rise again. In particular, the earth-shakingly profounding Cultural Revolution, personally led by Chairman Mao, had rounded thousands and tens of thousands of revisionist fighters to join the great revolutionary deluge, striking a blow at the corrupt reactionaries within the Party, smashing their bureaucratic machinery, destroying the old shelters, thus writing a great glorious page in the history of the Chinese Communist Party in leading the Chinese people to make revolution!

Unfortunately in September, 1976, the great leader Chairman Mao passed away, thus the Party and the nation lost their center of leadership. Furthermore, immediately after Chairman Mao’s death, while the party and the nation were in the midst of an extremely difficult period, the traitors within the Party and the unrepentant capitalist roaders collaborated, launched a coup d’etat to betray the revolutionary line of Chairman Mao, exercising fascism, and in an all-out effort repressed and persecuted comrades who held high the banner of Mao Tsetung and who resolutely carried out Mao Tsetung’s revolutionary line. They openly assessed the verdict of the Cultural Revolution and hoarded vengeance on it. They publicly declared for a “36th amendment” of Mao’s contributions and mistakes, even saying they want to remove Chairman Mao’s body from Chairman Mao’s mausoleum. Through their controlled media, they still insisted the red flag to defeat the red flag,” cursed Mao Tsiung Tung and went even as far as to raise “practice as

Continued on page 8
At election time, they let a little bit slip out. Each one slings mud at the other, and they're both right! But it's only the tip of the iceberg. The essence of these bourgeois politicians is 1,000 times worse than what any one of them reveals.

The Tip of the Iceberg...
Do the Muppets Have No Class Character?

Following are excerpts edited from a radio talk show in Cleveland. Ohio, heard by Bob Avakian, Chairman of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Communist Party.

Interviewer: Bob was commenting while the news was on, on our im- pression of the Muppets. What happens—what reminds me, what happens regarding our understanding of the Revolutionary Communist Party takes over?

Bob A.: It will be utilized for a much better and higher purpose which is to educate the people in various ways and modes including through entertainment, amusement. . .

B.A.: Impressive technical equipment here. You don’t mean the Muppets. Ha, ha. . .

Bob A.: What we will have not Mork and Mindy— but people can put their talents to better use. We will have programs that will be not only artistically rich but the content will be much richer and in fact will be good rather than bad, will inspire people, educate them.

B.A.: Who will determine what’s good and bad?

Bob A.: Who will determine? It will be the Party leading the people to determine what’s good and bad in fact.

B.A.: You mean you people will tell me what I should watch. Like now ABC, NBC, and CBS tells me.

Bob A.: Well, yes, but that won’t be a total change.

B.A.: It will be a fundamental change because instead of having pigs on our television sets, pigs, long-haired pigs, ugly pigs, smart pigs and all the rest of the pigs running all over television. We’ll have working people and oppressed people.

Bob A.: Working pigs?

B.A.: No, I’m thinking working people are pigs? We don’t.

Bob A.: Yes, no, you just, you know, what difference—I mean if a working line of brood pigs.

B.A.: I’m sick and tired of watching pigs out here who brutalize and murder people everyday being held up in this particular relationship of power and friendship of the people which just sets people up for more brutality.

Bob A.: You don’t mean the Muppets, Ha, ha.

B.A.: No. I don’t mean the muppets.

Bob A.: But what is the message of the Muppets? You see the idea that this stuff is all innocent and has no message— the message of the Muppets or you go see the Muppet show and one good thing can make it, anybody can make it, if they just try this in country— it’s the shadow of the American dream which has exploded in the face of millions of people in that country and people mangled their lives chasing these dreams like rats in a maze.

Bob A.: In my opinion I quite ask—because I ask this of all revolutions—you know, I’ve met my share of revolutions, you name it.

B.A.: All right.

Bob A.: In my opinion I quite ask— if you say you have ever any fun? I mean.

B.A.: We have fun all the time.

Bob A.: We’re having fun right now.

Bob A.: Oh, I mean, you do ever just go to movies to enjoy.

B.A.: Yes.

Bob A.: Or go to a dance.

B.A.: Of course we do. Do you?

B.A.: But I’ll enjoy it much more when it has a socialist content and really reveals the work as it is and enables people and inspires people to rise up and struggle to change it.

Bob A.: I saw a movie last night that had no socialist content or capitalist content?

B.A.: Impossible.

Bob A.: It was called the “Frisco Kid” with Gene Wilder and it was wonderful! And I just laughed and enjoyed myself! Will I still be able to do that?

B.A.: Yes, I’m trying to answer you. I was there twice, 1971 and 1974 when China was under Mao’s leadership and if we keep in mind what the imperialists, including the rulers of this country, did to China—carved it up, put up signs in the park saying “No Chinese or dogs allowed,” treated the people worse than dogs and if we look at the tremendous progress the Chinese people made where millions were starving before and then and they clothed and fed people and took control of society and eliminated drug addiction, prostitution, pornography and all these things we have to live with and then they got rid of it.

Bob A.: And incidentally, freedom of expression.

B.A.: No, No, the people had the choice not to be exploited and oppressed, that’s the freedom that they had.

Bob A.: That’s right.

B.A.: Well, that’s terrible.

B.A.: That’s great.

Bob A.: Well, wait a minute. Let’s keep on this track here.

B.A.: All right.

Bob A.: You and I are very much far apart on these things. Now let’s just say that right now I am free to choose to work for whomever I want.

B.A.: Sorry but you can’t work for them.

Bob A.: No, no, sir. I must disagree with you. I’m a skilled tradesman, I make a very good amount of money. I also make a very good amount of money for my employer which I’m very proud of. He put the capital, he took the money.

Bob A.: Which he stole from workers in the first place and on land he stole in the first place.

Bob A.: He stole nothing, sir.

B.A.: Why, what did he steal from the Indians and Mexicans, what did he do to the Irish and other people?

Continued on page 13

Next Week on the East Coast
Major Speaking Tour by Party Chairman

"To All Those Who Refuse To Live and To Die On Your Knees!"

Bob Avakian, Chair-
man of the Central Committee of the Revolutionary Com-
mittee of the Revolutionary Com-
mittee, will face the police, FBI, and government as they are facing charges adding up to 40 years in jail.

This is your chance to hear the leader of the only organization in this country seriously working for revolution, the organization the government is outright attacking and declares to be the most dangerous revolutionary organization in the country.

Don’t Miss The Chance To Hear Bob Avakian Speak & To Get Down With The RCP! It Will Change Your Whole Life!

When you hear Bob Avakian speak you will know why those who rule this country are desperate to put him away. Stop the RCP! And why those who hate this whole criminal system and government are rallying more and more to the RCP!

For more information, contact the RCP in your area or write to PO Box 2416, Chicago, Ill. 60624.
Pope's Doubletalk

figure, poet, outdoorsman, folk
Pope! Verily, a worker himself, former
underground anti-Nazi resistance
mankind, and a man above politics.

spiration," but in reality a long planned
Bullshit.

new leader for mankind"—the People's
international situation characterized by
Western imperialist bloc has been hard
star in the person of Karol Wojtyla (aka
style of pope for "the challenging pro
class has at last created a true media
the likes of Richard Nixon, Gerald

Having had a run of bad luck with
our students and now our organizers.
our children and their organizations. It was the duty of every
Pole, they declared, to take part in the
army's activities. It was not the time nor
need, nor, to die, for the sake of
freedom. When we replied that we
wanted to keep our heads, and that we
served to our country in peace-time, and that in
any other circumstances we would
fight, the partisans accused us of
stupidity, cowardice and bourgeois
morality. Unluckily we could not prevent all our boys from
going with them...

Hardly had the new pope received his
papal infallibility when he was called upon,
his way to Mexico. His mission was to
deal with the declining Church In-
fluence in Latin America. "The Pope is
all that is being challenged as change
and social upheavals in the
rocking old regimes with which the Church—a big
landowner itself—had so long been

What advice did the "people's pope"
have for the poor and oppressed? Special
attention was being paid to the peasants at the village of Culligan
(Mexico). He would not allow the power of the rural poor, uphold
their "right to be respected," called for
"upright agrarian reform."

"It cannot be forgotten that adequate
measures must be used. The church
does defend the legitimate right to
private property, but it teaches with no
less clarity than, above all, private
property, is always subordinated to
obligation, so that material possessions
may serve the general goal that God
instructs..."

Beloved brothers and sons: Work to
completely revolutionize your life
and your work. Make yourselves ever more
worthy morally and religiously. Do not
bore yourself to tears or suffer violence,
but rather gaze toward the Lord of all,
who will then give you the reward which
his acts deserve..."

The reaction of the Polish
Church to this appeal was
XII clearly favoured Hitler over godless
bolchevism of the east, in fact he looked
upon Hitler as an instrument for the ad-
vancement of Catholicism to the east,
and was more than willing to sacrifice the
Poles to this end. Immediately after
the German invasion of Poland, the
pope began to transfer sections of
Poland to the jurisdiction of German
bishops. But at the end of the war when
the victorious allies redraw the boun-
daries of Poland back toward the west,
the Polish Church with the backing of the
Vatican refused to recognize the
Oder and Neisse rivers as the new boun-
dary between Poland and Germany,
and refused to appoint bishops to see
in this new reconstituted territory of
western Poland. Objectively this boils
down to defending former boundaries
of the German Reich, something even
German reactionaries didn't dare do
at that moment. This was not
the beginning of the end, it was the end,
the end of the World War II, the end of
the Second Polish Republic.

Assisted by the treachery of the revi-
sionist Polish party chairman Romuald
Gomulka, and Cypel not to fight with the
Polish government in 1950 whereby
the Church would recognize as
"historically just" the return of the
Oder-Neisse territories and would refuse
from organizing anti-
government conspiracies. In return the
"communist" government agreed to let
the Church 1) retain religious instruc-
tion in the schools and permit an
autonomous Catholic University, 2) grant
legal rights to Catholic associa-
tions and publishing houses, and 3) grant
legal rights to the Catholic student or-
izations and even permit chaplains in the
Polish army! Shortly thereafter Gomulka
was overthrown, and the government
collapsed on the Church. In 1967, the
Church of the Polish Catholic Church
was established in its hands and the
Polish Catholic Church, Cardinal
Before leaving the U.S. all ears of the ruling class were listening. "We are now standing in the face of the greatest historical confrontation humanity has gone through. We are facing the final confrontation between the Church and the anti-Christ of the Gospel Versus the anti-Gospel... It is a trial which the whole Church must take up. It is a trial not only of our nation and the Church, but in a sense a test of 2000 years of culture and Christian civilization with all of its consequences for human dignity, individual rights, human rights and the rights of nations. As the number of people who understand the importance of this confrontation increases in Poland and America we can look with greater trust toward the outcome of the confrontation. The Church has gone through many trials, as has the Polish nation, and has emerged victorious even though at a cost of great sacrifice."

An A+! And a new pope is born.

The "People's Pope"

In July of 1978 Pope Paul the VI died. At the conclave which followed Wojtyla received only a half dozen votes and was trampled in a stampede for the Archbishop of Venice who unmanned a lot. What went wrong is not fully known. Certainly a lot of preparatory work had been done. In October of 1978 and pro-Americans were being imported to take over key Vatican functions. Cardinal Vagnozzi, who served nine years as apostolic delegate to the U.S., became the VP of finance. Bishop Paul Marcinkus of Illinois has executive control of the Institute for Religious Works which manages the Vatican's stock portfolios. A good portion of the Vatican's wealth has now been transferred to U.S. investments, including the redevelopment of lower Manhattan. (The Vatican also financed the construction of the Watergate apartment complex in Washington!) And Fr. Jim Roache was brought in from Chicago to head up the Vatican press office during the papal election. But whatever it was that led to the election of John Paul I quickly proved unsatisfactory to the Lord and whoever else in Washington was involved. Back home Cardinal Wojtyla drafts yet another pastoral letter which is read out in all the churches of Poland: "Not allowing people with a different social and political ideology to speak the practice of the State, is unjust.

Here, of course, the good cardinal had in mind Poland. Not Iran, Nicaragua or South Africa. Then Cardinal Wojtyla, Cardinal Wyszynski and Bishops Jerzy Sroka and Wladyslaw Routki depart for West Germany for consultations with the West German Church leaders. A few days later, and thirty-four days after his election, John Paul I is dead. There are a lot of conflicting stories concerning the events surrounding his death, but the one thing everyone can agree on is there will be no autopsy.

At the end of October a second conclave begins. This time from the first ballot Wojtyla comes on strong, gaining votes each time he is tested. Open his support are the German, North American, and Third World (i.e., U.S. neo-colonial) cardinals. Still, it is not until the eighth ballot that the Holy Spirit is able to round up the two-thirds plus one required for election. Since his election, J.P. II has proven to be a most remarkable political figure. Realizing that the pope can not be politically effective if weighted down with all the trappings of medieval royalty, Wojtyla has scrapped the coronation ceremony and is no longer carried around on a portable throne. Instead he plunges into the crowd with all the trappings of a modern socialist. In his first foreign trip he went to India. It made the trip to Israel. The world so that the blessing of liberal and holy church may be shared by all. And to those slaves who would push up their heads and lift their hands to the Lord, the pope chastises them to turn their hearts away from violence and urge them to recover their crown. Like the German Kaiser who sent the young workers of Germany into the first great imperialist war sporting brass belt buckles reading "God Mit Uns." (God with us.) The imperialists today seek "God's blessing" instead of the blessings of a blessed man of peace, Karol Wojtyla, and shutting the country down for a wild week of "Popemania" is a small price to pay to get it.
Pope Stumps

Continued from page 2
Popes, you can see how Put this together with the fact that economic relations with the USSR. The
and demonstrations against govern resistance breaks out frequently in riots ment price hikes and other grievances. You've got a Polish pope for bait! Just
and now it was time to play the "Polish card." In Poland a new
trip to Poland put him in the Hall of one of his late father (and dictator
"banish the dangers of war from this continent of
slave master on a continent so long
lie of harmony between the slave and
Church has been such a

"Your Holiness高贵的主教,..." And colonialism just didn't
leaders..." And colonialism just didn't
his struggle in the name of "love.

He preaches a classless world where all
put out a well-developed political and
the Church's interests in this. His
to convince people to abandon
their country. He preaches a world
put on the word of God and an authentic

"He who, to the world as a whole are
and a generous gift from the oppressors
to mobilize the Roman Catholic

"The hangman and the priest. The priest
argued that this justice could only come
themselves. It is a world that will sweep

as the Soviet Union shams support for
the struggles of national liberation
He preaches a world where all are
freedom) in the Soviet dominated

"But after the trip to Poland he
argued that as long as the Soviets main

"And even other blacks will have
his "unfortunate but necessary

Although the move was obviously a
down the plant and surrender its

"In case anyone (American Atomics, Atomic Energy Commission for

After all, he said brightly
those who had been missed on the

"Yet, today, in many places—the
next day he told his bishops "You are priests. You

"The hangman and the priest. The priest
argued that this justice could only come
their struggle in the name of "love.

He preaches a world where all are
put out a well-developed political and
the Church's interests in this. His

to convince people to abandon
their country. He preaches a world
put on the word of God and an authentic

"He who, to the world as a whole are
and a generous gift from the oppressors

"The hangman and the priest. The priest
argued that this justice could only come
themselves. It is a world that will sweep

as the Soviet Union shams support for
the struggles of national liberation
He preaches a world where all are
freedom) in the Soviet dominated

"But after the trip to Poland he
argued that as long as the Soviets main

"And even other blacks will have
his "unfortunate but necessary

Although the move was obviously a
Continued from page 4

Palestinian

Continued from page 1

Continued from page 4

Cuba

Continued from page 1

Continued from page 4

Cuban

Palestinian