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EDITORIAL

Dear readers:

Starting with this issue, we're going to publish materials that pertain to the Victory of the Allies during the Second World War (Great Patriotic War) when the Allies together fought a life and death struggle against fascism, costing over 50,000,000 lives!

Much has been written about this victory, more has been hidden from the people and much more falsifying goes on in order to besmirch and hide the role that the Soviet Union and its Red Army played in order to liberate mankind from the scourge of fascism, Nazis, and Japanese imperialism.

Much has been written about the "Secret Pact" between the Soviet Union and Germany. Falsehoods, forgeries, volumes were written to heap abuse on the USSR and to cover the West's terrible skulduggery in abetting Hitler and urging him onwards towards the East.

Here are segments gathered from Soviet newspapers, brochures and other materials that were translated from Russian, and Ukrainian for this article. Many of us have forgotten this, others never knew about it, while still others believed the falsehoods spread by our yellow journalists, historians and the present "reconverted democrats of

ON THE EVE OF THE

50TH

ANNIVERSARY
OF ALLIED
VICTORY OVER
FASCISM!



the former USSR", who, for dollars, are able to falsify history, and do so to the highest bidder!

AT WHAT POINT DID THEY START TO DISMEMBER THE USSR?

They started from the so-called "secret supplementary protokol" between Germany and USSR, signed on August 23, 1939. At the same time, I would like to tell those readers who say that it's no use digging into the past, that this is now unnecessary – let me ask you a few questions.

- Why is it that in the Soviet Union, after Gorbachev took over the reins of Government, this question was uppermost on the Agenda of the first two Congresses of the CPSU?

- Why is it that Gorbachev-Yeltsin, Yakovlev and others called this the "most important document that has to be discussed now, and is the most vital document of the 20th Century?"

- Why is it that from then on, the "Gray Cardinal" Yakovlev, every time he appears on TV, harangues the audience, waving the "documents" in front of his face and lies and lies about its contents? For your information, dear reader ... Yakovlev, former Ambassador to Canada, is the "power behind the throne" ... not only of Gorbachev, but now of Yeltsin. He is the Tsar of

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**HAVE YOU RENEWED
YOUR SUB?**

All translations from Russian, Byelo-russian, Ukrainian, Czech and Slovak by Michael Lucas.

**TO OUR SOVIET FRIENDS:
ARISE, YOU
MIGHTY LAND!**

all THE MEDIA in Russia, press, radio and TV! He is the villain, the traitor and the mud slinger for the transnational corporations, whom he serves with heart and soul! And to think, that he was the "IDEOLOGUE" of the Central Committee of the CPSU!

As you can see, adopting of this Agenda to make the questions of the "secret protocol" the most IMPORTANT question to be discussed by the Peoples' Deputies of USSR at that time – it's necessary to ask oneself: WHY this question is so important NOW, 50 years after the end of the Great Patriotic War?

This waving of "copy from a photo copy from a photo copy" by Yakovlev weekly on the TV has only one aim in mind. Since two post war generations were born, since the older generation is dying off, and since the eyewitnesses actually are no longer alive, or if some are alive, they have no opportunity to refute these lies – therefore, Yakovlev utilizes the Goebbels formula of a big lie: "tell a lie often enough, people will eventually believe you, since no one can tell such a big lie so often, it must be the truth!"

THE TRUTH IS VERY SIMPLE: THIS PROTOCOL MUST NOW BE JUDGED ILLEGAL – THUS, ALL STEPS MUST BE TAKEN TO DISOWN THE HISTORY AND THE RESULTS OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR – MEANING, WE MUST DISMEMBER THE UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS!

"This basically puts into question the boundaries of the USSR. This will mean the loss of Soviet sovereignty over its country, territory and people. It goes on to prove that the Baltic Republics were not ours, that Western Ukraine was not ours, that Moldavia,

Bessarabia, Karelo Finnish Republic was not ours.

By saying that the Protocol of 1939 was illegal, means that the Soviet Army had no right to have liberated the aforementioned territory, peoples, and must relinquish its own territory to the same borders as were in existence after the First World War, after the West, Germany, Poland, Rumania, Czechoslovakia and other countries took away from Russia territories after the October Revolution or to the same borders existing in 1939!

Agreement to recognize the 1939 borders means that millions of Soviet people that are now spread all over their own land (that these present counter-revolutionaries say is illegal) have to return back to Russia and leave their land of forefathers behind!"

This was written by Yuri Emelianov in 1989 in his book.

COLLUSION OF TRAITORS

This is exactly what Gorbachev did, in collusion with Yakovlev, Shevernadze and their CIA consultants. Gorbachev made it legal for the 3 Baltic Republics to leave the USSR – this was the beginning of the exodus which was consummated at the Byelovezh Agreement by the presidents of Russia, Ukraine and Byelorussia. This was done without consulting the other 13 Republics or the people, as the Constitution of the USSR demands!

The falsehoods are clear. In 1939, USSR and Germany did NOT sign a PACT, but a Protocol. A PACT is an internationally recognized agreement. Everyone knows now as to why the USSR was forced to sign an agreement with Germany. Even anti-Soviet historians admit this and give credit to the USSR since that gave them a

breathing space to prepare for the eventual war that the Soviets knew was coming and that the West was hoping would be averted if only Hitler went EAST.

When Molotov was alive, it was not easy for these traitors to bend words of this agreement to their will. He was a WITNESS that could rebut these lies.

After Molotov's death, the Krushchevites and then Gorbachevites, Yeltsinites, all utilized the "Gray Cardinal" in trying to establish the authenticity of the "protocol". For years, these hidden elements tried to make this "discovery" by having special commissions delve into the archives, but to no avail.

But Yakovlev and the assorted traitors never gave up, since this was to be a feather in their caps. If they could "prove" this secret document existed, then it would be much easier for them to bring about the disintegration of the USSR, the dismemberment of the Soviet Union, since they could "prove" that Russia had no right to have the territory that the USSR had under its jurisdiction, and consequently, the plans of the West and imperialism would be put into affect, the USSR would go back to its pre-Revolutionary boundaries, and a "potential competitor" to world imperialism would thus be eliminated!

Since 1956, these hounds were searching for this "secret protocol" and it was only on October 29, 1992 that the "Gray Cardinal" Yakovlev, a tool of the Western Intelligence Agencies, finally managed to show the world this fabricated "document" made from a copy from a copy to a copy with additions and photographic manipulations, thus turning the "Pact" into an "Agreement".

In front of the TV cameras, Yakovlev for a long time waved this "document" that he said was signed by Stalin. This document contained only the actual text which outlined the boundary between Poland and Russian Republic – the "Curzon Line". No one would remember that this document, that this "secret document" was printed in the newspaper "Pravda" on September 23, 1939!

IF THIS DOCUMENT WAS SO SECRET, HOW COULD IT BE PUBLICLY PRINTED FOR THE WORLD TO SEE IN PRAVDA, ON SEPTEMBER 23, 1939?

This so-called "secret document" was peddled and promoted in order for these traitors to put into effect the dismemberment of the USSR by trying to hide the plan to give "legality" to those Republics that were voluntarily part of the Soviet Union, to leave the USSR because they said that their people were "occupied by Russians"!

How come that the Peoples' Deputies to the Supreme Soviet of USSR at that time voted for the dissolution of the USSR? Whom were these Deputies representing? Who were they? Time has shown that these so-called "communists" were nothing more than traitors, charlatans, money grabbers and opportunists who did the bidding of the highest pay masters.

History will remember their names! History will never forgive! History and the Soviet people will make them pay the highest penalty for their treachery!

Therefore, it is of no use by the present so-called "patriots", "communists", "pseudo-democrats" who always cry and demand the return of the "Soviet Union"! There is an old recipe for looking at these people: "Pursue your enemy to the steps of lies"! □

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8TH CONFERENCE WAS A SUCCESS!

Delegates gathered on February 18-19th at the Friendship House in Toronto where the 8th Conference of the Concerned Friends of Soviet People (formerly Canada-USSR Association) was to be held. There was excitement in the air when U.S. delegates started to arrive the night before, since this was the first time that most of them have been at the Friendship House and cooperating with us through the medium of the Northstar Compass publication.

After the delegates received their name tags and cases full of materials that were to be discussed by the two-day Conference, it was officially opened by Dr. A.J. Thut, Honorary Chairman of the Association who welcomed the delegates to this Conference, after a lapse of 6 years from the time of the 7th Conference.

After elections of chairpersons, resolution, constitution and nominations committees, Dr. Thut called upon Michael Lucas, President, to give the Main Conference Report.

Michael Lucas outlined the history of the Association from the time of the last Conference and reported on the reasons for the delay in holding the 8th Conference. It was hoped by the leadership of the Canada-USSR Association that the situation in the USSR would resolve itself and that our partners in cooperation would proceed to cooperate with our Association. But the onslaught of "perestroika" and the new turn of events in the Soviet Union precluded any further cooperation. When the Soviet Union was unlawfully dismembered by the Byelovezh Agreement, it became evident that the reactionary counter-revolution that took place placed the future cooperation between friendship societies in jeopardy and eventually the contacts ceased altogether.

The leadership of the Canada-USSR Association decided to change the name of the organization to the

Concerned Friends of Soviet People and to proceed to issue a journal in order to inform our membership about the situation in the former USSR which we could not get from our daily media.

Through contacts established over a couple of years, we were able to get opposition newspapers to be sent to us, which we translated and published in English in our Northstar Compass.

It was reported that Northstar Compass now is read and has subscribers in 24 countries.

The 12 delegates from the United States, representing different progressive newspapers, political parties and friendship societies, had praise for Northstar Compass, calling it an indispensable source of information that they utilize in their own work and publications.

Michael Lucas also proposed the possibility of holding events in conjunction with the USA friends, such as the 6th Annual Canada-USA-USSR Festival of Friendship; the joint Canada-USA delegation to Moscow, Kiev and Minsk; the Celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Victory over Fascism this May and a long-term project of holding the First American Continental Conference of Friends of Soviet People in Mexico in 1997.

The question of the change of name of our organization was debated, and after many suggestions and discussions, the Conference voted to change our name to: "Canadian Friends of Soviet People", thus carrying on the tradition of friendship with the Soviet people since we started our work of friendship in 1918 as the "Hands Off Russia Committee"!

The Canadian Friends of Soviet People will now put on a drive for new membership, for revitalization of the former 42 Branches across Canada and opening a campaign for

Dr. A.J. Thut opening the 8th Conference and introduces Michael Lucas, President who delivers the Main Conference Report. Friendship House is where Conference was held and attended by over 65 delegates from Canada and USA. Photo by Angelo D'Angelo



Northstar Compass in order to sign up over 200 new readers in a six months period.

It must be said that the Canadian delegates appreciated the input, suggestions, discussions and the friendliness of our American counterparts. They added depth, resolve and comradeship to the 8th Conference. Everyone felt that future cooperation between organizations, newspapers and political movements is well on its way towards achieving beneficial results for both sides.

A new optimism was generated and an outlook that we are doing work that is going a long way towards dispelling the lies that we are bombarded with daily by the media. We are breaking through these lies and will eventually be successful in helping our Soviet friends to resurrect the Soviet Union.

Other very important questions were debated and resolved on important aspects of our work such as:

- Finances and financial drive to sustain the Northstar Compass;

- Utilizing, improving and promoting Cansov Travel Ltd., as a vehicle which helps the Association with revenues from travel;

- An important breakthrough was achieved when it was decided to set up a Canada-USA Coordinating Committee which will help in planning the events that were discussed at the Conference and which will meet from time to time in order to try and coordinate our activities;

- It was resolved to set up sub-committees of the Canadian Friends of Soviet People, such as: Youth Committee, Trade Union Committee, Committee of the Arts and a Slavic Committee. These sub-committees will go a long way towards branching out our activities and

involving new people in our activities.

GREETINGS, PROTESTS, RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY THE CONFERENCE

1: Greetings to the Rosskomsojuz (Russian Communist Union) which tries to unite the parties against Yeltsin's counter-revolutionary onslaught.

2: Protest to the Government of Russia in their attempt to remove the body of V.I. Lenin for reburial in Leningrad from Red Square on this the 50th Anniversary of the victory in the Great Patriotic War.

3: Protest to President of Byelorussia regarding jailing of young people of the Revolutionary Communist Youth.

4: Message of get well wishes to Alex McLennan and George Legebokoff, two of the founders of the Association and Northstar Compass who are now ill.

5: Our regrets to Nina Andreeva and Victor Anpilov that they were unable to take part in our 8th Conference and assuring them of

our support and wishes for an early success in re-establishing the USSR.

6: ON 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF DEFEAT OF FASCISM

On this 50th Anniversary of the defeat of Hitler and the liberation of Europe from Nazi slavery, we acknowledge the debt that all humanity owes to the Soviet Red Army, and the Soviet people, who lost over 20 million lives and played the leading role in this victory.

We hale and salute the heroism of Soviet soldiers, who won victory under the red flag of socialism, and pledge ourselves to fight any effort by the governments of the West to distort and denigrate the history of this period.

We also condemn the role played by US and other Western corporations in building up Nazism as a tool to attack the Soviet Union and the Socialist movement immediately after the defeat of fascism. We also condemn the move right after the end of World War II of a full scale nuclear arms build-up against the Soviet Union. This is a disgrace to the Canadian, U.S.,

Dr. A.J. Thut, Honorary Chairman, opening the 8th Conference. Photo by Steve Sajban



British and French and other soldiers who honestly gave their lives in the war against Hitler.

7: HISTORICAL ROLE OF STALIN

The historical events in the Soviet Union and the People's Democracies of Central and Eastern Europe have shown that negating the role of Stalin and the CPSU (B) leads to anti-Marxism and anti-Leninism and the destruction of the socialist mode of production.

The question of Stalin is not the problem of a particular personality.

Imperialist reaction seeks to deny these heroic achievements.

The positive re-evaluation of the role of Stalin within the Soviet communist movement has stimulated a similar re-evaluation amongst the communists internationally.

We urge a deep scientific study of the epoch connected with the name of Stalin from the standpoint of the Marxist-Leninist theory, in order to restore and maintain the historical truth on that epoch.



Michael Lucas, President. Chairing session was Professor Michael Ukas.

Confusion about this has prevented development of revolutionary communist parties of the world. The anti-Stalin campaign formed an anti-Marxist view of the entire epoch of Socialism, Socialist Industrialization, Collectivization, the defeat of Fascism in the Great Patriotic War, the creation of a democratic camp of nations, were amongst the greatest achievements of this epoch. Under the leadership of Stalin, the workers and peasants ruled the USSR. The epoch of Stalin was the epoch of the Socialist revolution in the ascendent.

8: PERSECUTION OF COMMUNISTS

After the events in the USSR and Eastern Europe, the bourgeoisie is celebrating its temporary victory with an attack on the democratic rights and freedoms. The obvious violations of the fundamental democratic principles are: the bloody assault on the Parliament and the massacre of the defenders of the Constitution in Moscow in October of 1993; the attempts to illegalize the Communist parties in the former Socialist countries, or

to exclude these parties from participating in political life; and the arrests and persecutions of the Communists.

Since the beginnings of the Communist movement, communists have been shot, driven underground, imprisoned or sent to concentration camps. Nevertheless, Communism is still alive and will remain alive so long as the working class exists, as Marxism-Leninism expresses its fundamental interests. The laws of historical development operate in such a manner that Communism is inevitable. Those who today persecute the Communists would do well not to forget this.

The participants of the 8th Conference of the Concerned Friends of Soviet People, express their solidarity with the Communists and revolutionaries undergoing persecution.

We demand:

- An immediate end to restriction of any activity of the Communists;
- The immediate release of all political prisoners in former Socialist and People's Democracies in Central and Eastern Europe.

The future stands for Socialism and Communism!

GREETINGS RECEIVED FROM LENINGRAD

Comrade Lucas, President and all participants of the 8th Congress:

Dear Comrades:

The Central Committee of the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks greets the participants of this 8th Congress of the Canada-USSR Friends of Soviet People, all of you who have come to Toronto, members of the Association and all those, who support the work of this Association, and those who are readers of Northstar Compass journal.

From the moment of the birth of your organization, you have taken an active part in supporting the young Soviet Russia and the consolidation of progressive forces in defense of the first steps for socialism on our earth. You always, without hesitation, promoted the slogan of "Friendship, solidarity and peace"!

Today, during the time of the temporary victory of the counter-revolution in the USSR and other former socialist countries of Eastern Europe, your Association is supporting more than ever the movement for international friendship and solidarity. In this struggle, we cannot but praise highly your "Northstar Compass" – "a little gleam of light" in the ocean of lies, falsehoods and disinformation about the actual state of events in Russia, Byelorussia, Ukraine, Kazakhstan and other former Soviet Republics.

We wish your Association success in your deliberations and your positive effect on the numerous readers in countries who read your Northstar Compass. We also wish your journal growth in readership, more correspondents to add to your roster.

We wish you new successes in a joint undertaking in the formation of an anti-imperialist mass movement, and upkeep of the best traditions of internationalism and unity of the workers for PEACE, DEMOCRACY and SOCIALISM!

With deep regret, the present situation in Russia does not permit me to honour your kind invitation to take part in the workings of the 8th Congress.

The Central Committee of the All Union Communist Party wishes you great success.

– Nina Andreeva
General Secretary, AUCPB □

GREETINGS RECEIVED FROM MOSCOW

Dear comrades attending the 8th Conference of the Concerned Friends of Soviet People:

On behalf of the Central Committee of the Russian Communist Workers Party, and on behalf of millions of members of the movement "Workers' Russia", I send you greetings and best wishes.

We are aware of your efforts and hardships in order to bring the truth to Canadians, Americans and other readers of your Journal about the struggles of the Soviet People. Your Association and your journal are read and appreciated much more than you might realize. Knowing your limitations with finances, your situation politically, we are amazed at what you people are able to accomplish.

Our Soviet people are rising, slow to be sure, but again, we stress that when the media is in the hands of the new capitalist class, it is extremely hard to get our message to millions of people, that are just waiting for directions and information.

Our RCWP publishes over 50

newspapers and bulletins across Russia, but this is not enough to rouse the people to mass action. Problems of unity are with us, since the present Yeltsin clique and the West are extremely busy pumping millions of dollars to leaders who are still able to be bought and influenced.

The struggle in our Motherland continues, and we cannot expect miracles to happen, since this treachery was well prepared, nurtured, financed and it did have its effect.

Unity must and will be achieved, but on ideological grounds in the first place. Without ideological unity, our struggles and our future cannot be guaranteed. All of the left wing parties are struggling to achieve this unity.

I am very sorry that I cannot be with you, comrades. The present situation in our country demands that I and other leaders be at our posts for any eventuality.

Our people are starting to move, our workers and farmers are geared up to a General Strike – the only means of achieving the aim of a resurrected Soviet Union.

We are striving with all of our

After the Conference, time for photographs, talk and discussions. Many delegates left in order to catch their flights home.



might in order that the newspaper "Molniya" will become a daily newspaper that will reach millions of workers and farmers with the true message from a standpoint of Marxism-Leninism.

We are inviting your organization and the American comrades that are with you at this Conference to send a delegation to the forthcoming International Meeting of Communists to be held in Moscow on June 22nd - the day of the Victory Parade in 1945. Very symbolic date, on this the 50th Anniversary of the ending of the Great Patriotic War.

Again, my greetings to you, our dear Canadian and American friends! I wish that I could be with you.

- Victor Anpilov
Secretary, Russian Communist
Workers Party

GREETINGS RECEIVED FROM VANCOUVER AND BELGIUM

Dear Friends:

The Committee of Canadian Communists send our greetings to this 8th Conference. We wish you every success in the important

ANGELO D'ANGELO
From Staten Island, N.Y.
Our NSC Booster!



work of building friendship and understanding in our present chaotic world. Your organization has become the only reliable Canadian source of information about the states that once made up the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

- Sincerely,
John Beeching, Chairman

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the Workers' Party of Belgium, we want to wish you success in this important 8th Conference of your organization.

- Ludo Martens
President

There were 64 delegates from across Canada, including 11 delegates from the United States.

Reports by the Constitution Committee, Resolutions Committee and Nominations Committee were accepted and acted upon.

A new Canadian Council was elected and a new Editorial Board of Northstar Compass was also elected unanimously.

Dr. A.J. Thut, Angelo D'Angelo from USA, Ray Stevenson and

ROY KAUFMAN
American Council for
International Friendship



Michael Lucas were honoured with presentation of beautiful plaques denoting their dedication to the work of the Association and Northstar Compass.

NOTICE

Ray Stevenson at the 8th Conference announced his resignation as Editor of Northstar Compass due to ill health. With regret, the 8th Conference accepted his resignation.

We wish him speedy recovery to again join our active Board members.

In conclusion, we all would like to sincerely thank all the delegates, both from Canada and the USA, for adding that spark to the discussions at the Conference and for their dedication to the work of friendship and understanding between all of us and the Soviet people.

The 9th Conference is to be called next year or as soon as the situation warrants it. The venue is to be decided by the incoming Canadian Council of the Canadian Friends of Soviet People.

BILL DOARIS
From Workers World
New York, USA Photo by Steve Sajban

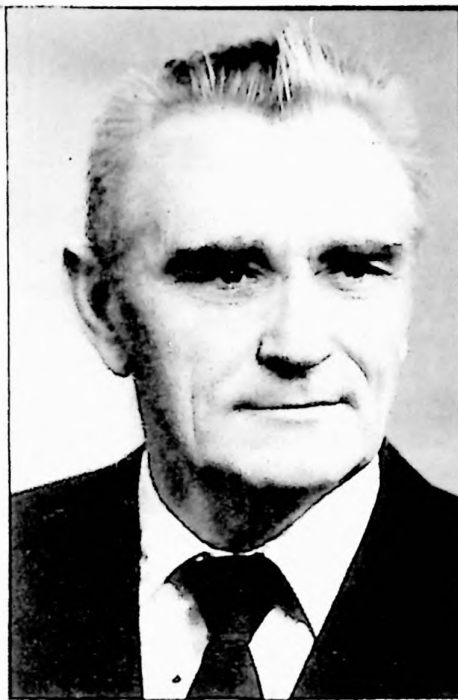


SPECIAL

BEST WISHES ON YOUR 60TH BIRTHDAY, VLADIMIR!

We certainly were happy to have found out that our dear friend and comrade whom all of our readers in 24 countries of the world know by his excellent, indepth analytical articles that appear regularly in the Northstar Compass ... that he will be 60 years young on March 14th of this year.

Every person who reaches the age of 60 years has the need to look back at his life and draw conclusions whether he did everything that he could have done during those 60 years. That is very natural and very much needed.



Vladimir Herasymchuk

We feel that it would be of great interest to our readers to know more about this patriot, about this courageous man who has helped the Concerned Friends of Soviet People and Northstar Compass so much in

the last 2 1/2 years!

Vladimir M. Herasymchuk was born on March 14, 1935 in the village of Kikova, Novograd-Volyn District, Zhitomir Province of Ukraine.

His father, Makar Nikonovich Herasymchuk, was a teacher, member of the CPSU from 1942, a veteran of the Great Patriotic War, and served in the Red Army from 1936-1946.

Vladimir's mother Sofia Antonovna, a Signalist, head of the Kiev Section of Signalists. Before the war, she was an active member of the Komsomol, and although non-party person, she took an active part in the political and social life of her village. She died in 1982.

In 1952, Vladimir finished his secondary schooling #3 in Novgorod-Volyn District. In 1956, he finished the Kiev State Teachers' Institute named Gorky. Then he worked from 1956 as a teacher of geography in Yasnaya Polyana. Took a very active part in the political movement. He became head of the Komsomol organization. From 1958, he was a member of the CPSU. To this day, he is a dedicated Bolshevik. From 1956, a dedicated propagandist.

Married in 1956, his wife also a teacher, two children and both are teachers.

His specialty and his dissertation was the "Methods of Teaching Geography". He has published over 100 papers, research analyses, books, articles and texts. He has travelled extensively not only in the Soviet Union, but in Europe as well.

He is an active propagandist now, and a Bolshevik who promotes internationalism of workers of all countries, under the banner of Marxism-Leninism and against revisionism and opportunism.

Since 1978, he started teaching in the Faculty of Geography at the

CAMPAIGN FOR 200 NEW READERS FOR NORTHSTAR COMPASS

One of the important decisions of the 8th Conference was to open up a campaign to sign up 200 new readers for NSC in a period of March to August - the 3rd Anniversary of our publication.

Our American friends have undertaken this pledge with enthusiasm and we're certain that between the USA and Canada, we can reach this goal of 200 NEW SUBSCRIBERS! In this way, our circulation will hit the 1,000 mark!

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- Editorial Board



Lutsk Teachers Institute (now the Volyn State University name of Lesia Ukrainka).

He is a Dean of University – Professor of the Faculty of Physical Geography. He is also a Candidate of Teachers Science.

On behalf of the Concerned Friends of Soviet People and the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass, plus on behalf of the over 70 delegates, guests of the 8th Conference of the Concerned Friends of Soviet People – where representatives from across Canada and the USA were present – we want to wish you Vladimir Maksimovich, the best of health, the best of personal happiness to you and your family.

Your dedication to socialism, your dedication to the resurrection of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics is appreciated by all of us.

The day is soon coming when dedicated people like you and millions of others will throw off the shackles of reaction and will again be able to see the clear sky of peace, understanding, brotherhood and socialism, not only in the USSR but eventually all over the world.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU, VLADIMIR!

– Canadian Council
Canadian Friends of Soviet People
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Northstar Compass □

**TO OUR SOVIET FRIENDS:
ARISE, YOU
MIGHTY LAND!**

**We Do Produce Totally By
Volunteer Labour.**

FEATURE ANALYSIS

42 YEARS SINCE THE DEATH OF STALIN

**(Yet his enemies
cannot sleep soundly!)**

By: Guram Tsushbaya



We translated this article, in order to show you the origin of the name "Stalin", but also to show you how the falsifiers of history try by every interpretation and to use it as scare tactic in order to denigrate socialism – Editors.

Forty odd years ago, the heart of I.V. Stalin stopped beating – a great man, whose equal history gives birth to maybe once in a hundred years. Stalin, a great son of Georgian people, a follower of Lenin, who always brought terror to the enemies of socialism before and even now, 42 years after his death! The Soviet people were always immensely proud of Stalin and the achievements during his time. He was a symbol of Bolshevik dedication in the struggle against enemies of Leninism. His leadership and his uncompromising attitude, together with the Soviet people, defeated the German hordes.

Stalin died (or was he poisoned?). Ever since that time, starting with Krushchev's XX Congress of the CPSU, the river of falsehoods, lies, dirt, outright falsification did not stop flowing! With all these attacks, the more falsehoods and attacks, the greater the name of Stalin shines through this fog of lies. Who else, except Lenin, has achieved the love of the people and the bitter hate of enemies of socialism? No one! This should show the enemies of socialism that the truth of that era will never be forgotten.

Joseph Stalin was born on December 21, 1879 in Gory, near Tbilisi, and when he was only 15 years old, he joined the revolutionary movement. In December 1900 when the newspaper "Iskra" started to be published, Stalin became one of its ardent supporters.

This was the beginning of the revolutionary effort by Stalin, who saw in Lenin the leader, a Marxist who would lead the Russian people to the overthrow of Tsarism. In 1901, Stalin edits the newspaper "Borba" and leads the workers in Tbilisi, Baku and Batum. On April 2, 1902, Stalin is arrested. He was arrested seven times and six times, he managed to escape. From 1911, he heads the Russian Bureau CC. On instructions of Lenin, Stalin publishes the first number of newspaper "Pravda" in 1912 in Petersburg. Stalin was at the front of all revolutionary activities. After the October Revolution, Stalin headed all the most vital, important and dangerous assignments of revolutionary activity. In 1922, Stalin was elected General Secretary of the Communist party.

Falsifiers of history spread many legends about Stalin, his activities and even how he got the name of Stalin and why he adopted this

name of "Man of Steel"! Why did he not use his real Georgian name of Joseph V. Dzhugashvili?

Some say that this name was given to him by Lenin: "he is hard as steel". That Stalin was hard as steel is correct, but in renaming Stalin, Lenin had nothing to do with it.

Other falsifiers of history say that Stalin had a secretary whose name was Stal, and he made the name more masculine by adding the "in" at the end, thus making him Stalin. He was known as Stalin, long before he had any secretaries and long before his name was ever mentioned in the revolutionary pages of history.

THEN, WHERE DID STALIN GET HIS NAME "STALIN"?

Every family name has two parts: one from his or her nationality and the other is the ending added to the name. Russian families often end in -in, -ov, -ev. As an example: Kurochkin, Volkov, Vasiliev. The Georgian names end with -na, -dze, or -shvili, such as: Katamadze, Mgeladze, Basilashvili. As we all know, names were invented in order to show the person's occupation, individuality and for other reasons. As an example, "Pavlov" (or "Kuznetsov") means that the person using this name is the son (grandchild, etc.) of someone called Pavel (or Kuznetz - blacksmith). The Georgian transcription of these names would be "Pavliashvili" (or "Mchedlidze").

You can see now that the literal translation of the Georgian family name of "Dzhugashvili" will be in Russian, "Stalin". The word "Dzhuga" in Georgian means hard as steel. In this case, it means that the family name of Dzhugashvili comes from the hard assortment of steel. Yes, Stalin was certainly as

hard as steel in his dedication to Socialism and Communism.

The year 1956 will go down in history as the tragic year of the degradation of Soviet society and socialist ideas. It is Krushchev and his gang that started this process. The petty-bourgeoisie growing inside the CC CPSU started this process, aimed at Stalin, since he resented the might and history of the achievements of the USSR. This clique of hidden enemies of Socialism took over the reins of the CPSU and inside of 10 years managed to heap so much abuse and falsehood upon the Communists, the Soviet Union and revolutionary Marxism, that it brought about the Gorbachev-Yeltsin era of counter-revolution. From the beginning, this "bald corn grower" (Krushchev) announced that there is no longer a need for the "dictatorship of the proletariat" and turned the USSR into an "all peoples' society". This was an open opportunistic plan to leave behind the teachings of Marxism-Leninism, Lenin's teachings of what a state should be, which always represents the interests of a given class, but of all



the people - never! Together with this, even our Communist Party became the party of ALL THE PEOPLE, thus eliminating the class content from the program of the party.

Then there followed the so-called "reforms in economy" of Brezhnev-Kosygin, which more and more took our country from real socialism. Our economy became an economy of "profit" as opposed to lowering of prices and making the cost of living lower and lower as the country progressed in its industrialization and consumer production.

This policy gave rise to higher and higher prices for products. Stalin's yearly policy of lowering prices on consumer goods was abandoned ... this era was just a dream of the people who remember them.

All this dirt which, for over 40 years, was heaped on Stalin, was the work of the leadership (opportunists) in the CPSU, starting with Krushchev until the temporary disintegration of the Soviet Union. These leaders dipped into the dirty waters of Trotsky. There is no dirt and lies that were and are used by the enemies of Socialism, both inside and outside of our country that did not have their origins in Trotskyism! And all these falsehoods of fight against the "cult of the individual" are nothing more than the rehashing of the Trotskyite falsehoods about Stalin, about Bolshevism of the party and the building of socialism in the USSR.

FALSIFIERS

The falsifiers, for over 40 years, have been publishing, talking about the "cult of the individual" and that in 1937, there took place a great terror in the country. Around this question, our enemies have established a whole industrial propaganda publication empire.

The theme of repressions is the loved theme of anti-Stalinists. Losing all shame and peoples' civility, the publications of the former members of CC CPSU, D. Volkogonov, R. Medvedyev, Bestuzheva-Lady and many others, are publishing astronomical figures of the repressed, obviously sucked up from their own fingers, but not only from their own fingers! The big falsifier of history of the 20th Century, Volkogonov, has even managed to outdo Goebbels, he states that over 40 million Soviet people were murdered by Stalin!

Facts are that from 1921 to 1953, there were 3,777,000 people sentenced for crimes. From this figure, there were 642,980 sentenced to death, but a large percentage of these were given only life sentences in labour camps. This was for 32 years! But from 1960-1990 (long after Stalin was dead) after Stalin's period – there were sentenced more than 38 million! Only in 1992 (during Yeltsin's "democratic rule") there were over 4,900,000 people sentenced – that is much more than for the whole of Stalin's period! While in the "free-independent Ukraine" out of a population of 21,000,000 workers, able to work, there are officially registered 7,000,000 people unemployed. This is NOT REPRESSION?

In December of 1993, we wrote in our newspaper "Word of a Communist": "The liquidation of socialism started with wild attacks against Stalin. After that, the same attacks started against honest Bolsheviks, then against Lenin, and in the end, against Socialism itself.

That's how the trap was set: Stalin-Bolsheviks-Lenin-Socialism. Now, it is all clear to people, that the main thrust of these attacks was to liquidate socialism, to which it was impossible to get without first knocking the chairs down which

were barring the way to the table.

To dedicated Communists, those that lived through the tragic events of August 1991, to all people of goodwill, it is absolutely clear that the name of Stalin is forever tied in with socialism, with the past great history and achievements of the USSR. It is well understood that the struggle for Socialism cannot be interwoven with anti-Stalinism. You cannot be a communist and follow an anti-Stalinist line of thinking, because anti-Stalinism – this is the weapon of anti-Communism!"

We, even today, repeat and repeat these words, and the truth contained in them. This is very important, because, unfortunately even today, in our country and many communists all over the world, are still under the influence of this counter-revolutionary propaganda, anti-Stalinist hysteria and daily barrage of falsehoods.

When you think about and analyze the work of Stalin, you cannot but marvel at his foresight and his uncanny realistic approach to problems. Just before his death, Stalin said the following (this is recorded by eye witnesses and written up for history – Editors) words: "After my death, much rubbish will be heaped upon my grave, but the winds of history will blow all this dirt away." He practically looked into the reflection in the water! That is exactly what happened. The fresh wind of history already has started to blow away the debris and rubbish from his grave.

To paraphrase the well known words of the poet Mayakovsky, which were written in the name of V.I. Lenin, we can say with conviction without being accused of making a mistake: "Stalin was, Stalin is, Stalin will always be in our hearts!" □

NEWS DIGEST COMMENT

ADMISSION AT LAST, ON THIS 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF SECOND WORLD WAR!

In the Toronto Star, February 4, there appeared an article by Carole Corbeil which is titled "Hiroshima, history and the politics of denial". We would just like to quote a paragraph or so.

"Most historians now agree that an invasion of Japan would have never taken place, because Japan was already finished, the war was already over and the Soviet Army had routed the Japanese in China ... Truman knew this, but decided to drop the bombs on Hiroshima and Nagasaki ...

They were dropped in order to discover the power of these new weapons, and last, but not least, to SCARE THE RUSSIANS, WHO WERE ALREADY BEING IDENTIFIED AS AN ENEMY BY THE U.S."

Progressive movement in the world was saying this all along, and we were hounded, jailed, beaten up, expelled ... but now, on the eve of the 50th Anniversary, it is safe to say this, after all ... not too many witnesses are alive to tell the truth! □

**From: TORONTO STAR
February 23, 1995**

"5 SPIES MUST GO, FRANCE TELLS U.S."

"France has accused five Americans of industrial and economic spying and asked them to leave the country ... that put the allies on a diplomatic collision course



TENSE TIMES:

US Ambassador Pamela Harriman, flanked by a French gendarme, leaves a meeting with French Prime Minister Balladur in Paris.

SALT & PEPPER ON WRY

From Our Member in Mexico:

– Ray C. Davis

HOW TO FOIL TOIL: Establishment economists tell us we can cut inflation by cutting employment. This suggests that the long-sought Workers' Paradise has been found at last! Just lay everybody off!

We just can't live half-free, half-slave, as Lincoln explained so capably. Free to pamper, self-indulge; slave to pain, frustration, rage.

Billions crucified each day upon the cross of poverty – needless, pointless poverty.

What on earth went wrong, Jesus? □

J.V. STALIN WARNED US!

"J.V. Stalin many times warned, that the influence of the bourgeois will become stronger in the realm of the national question, mainly because here, it is much easier to mask one's own class egoism in a national costume. And this is exactly what happened!

The flowering of bourgeois nationalism in the USSR started in late 1950's with the growth of national nihilism and anti-patriotic cosmopolitanism, called 'universal nation'. And this started the process with an attitude that it doesn't matter about Socialism in the Soviet Union. The movement towards nationalism became stronger after the 20th Congress of the CPSU, which gave an impetus to the growth of hidden bourgeois nationalism and away from the dictatorship of the proletariat and building of a socialist society.

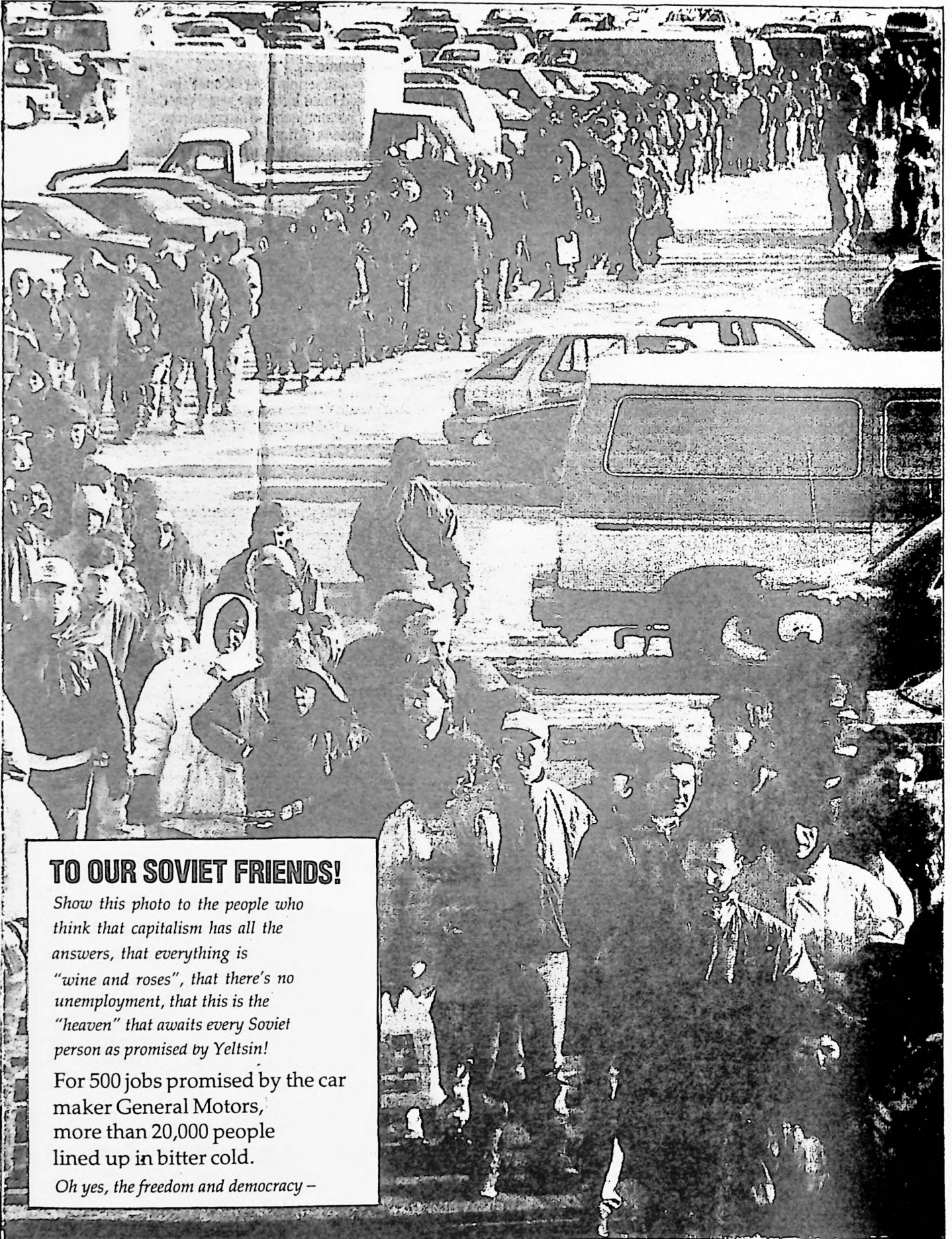
.. The clandestine spying went beyond the domain of industrial espionage, they concentrated on aerospace telecommunications industries ..."

OUR COMMENT: Well, well, well! All along, we thought that the USA, CIA spies were only spying and subverting the Soviet Union and other former socialist countries! Here, we are told that "friends" spy on each other! That cannot be! How can the "bastion of democracy, equality and honour" allow itself to spy on its partner.

We also wonder whether our own Prime Minister Chretien of Canada looked over his shoulder when President Clinton visited Ottawa? After all, what are friends for? □

The right opportunism of the 'children of the 20th Congress' with Krushchev at its head, followed by Brezhnev, did not give a rebuff to the growing nationalism which had roots in the top leadership of the CPSU; instead, these two leaders played with these elements and gave concessions to them after concession. The result was that in the years of Gorbachev's 'perestroika', in many Soviet Republics, there grew up the movement of so-called 'national communism' which, at the beginning, brought them to leave the ranks of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, and that was followed by making their Republic CPSU into a bourgeois nationalist party, that played a leading role in dismembering the USSR." □

**HAVE YOU RENEWED
YOUR SUB?**



TO OUR SOVIET FRIENDS!

Show this photo to the people who think that capitalism has all the answers, that everything is "wine and roses", that there's no unemployment, that this is the "heaven" that awaits every Soviet person as promised by Yeltsin!

For 500 jobs promised by the car maker General Motors, more than 20,000 people lined up in bitter cold.

Oh yes, the freedom and democracy –

ITEMS FROM ABROAD

All translations from Russian, Byelorussian, Ukrainian, Czech and Slovak by Michael Lucas.

ABOUT POLITICAL PARTIES

By: Vladimir Herasymchuk

The social-political situation in the Ukraine is very complicated and difficult. The ruling Mafia, now with its new president Kuchma, more and more is tightening the belt of the workers, leaving them to the mercy of chaos. The so-called privatization gave all the opportunity for robbery of the workers and farmers, giving this a legal state authority character. Kuchma openly undertook the course of quickly dismantling the last vestiges of the socialist system of economy and to closely tie our economy to that of the world capitalist-imperialist system. While people, more and more, are sinking into hardships, want and despair – with hunger knocking at their door.

What is our perspective? Unfortunately, it isn't very bright and it's unpredictable. One thing is certain – future growth and understanding of the people depends on the activity and unity of the political parties to organize and lead behind them the masses that are politically conscious. What kind of political parties are existing now in the Ukraine? At the beginning of this year, there were registered 38 POLITICAL PARTIES!? To find out about their programmes, activity and ideology is very hard. The present pseudo-democrats look at this proliferation of political parties

and movements as its triumph of peoples' rule and effectiveness. Is this really the case?

ABOUT MULTIPARTIES AND DEMOCRACY

In the USSR, as we all know, there existed only one party – the CPSU. Former pseudo-communists, nowadays nationalistic-democrats, state that this was a "totalitarian regime". It is getting too nonsensical and tiresome to hear this phrase and words over and over again. Soviet people had all the rights that they needed and these rights were guaranteed by the economic might of the country. Now, the workers have had their rights taken away from them after years of struggle and victory for these rights, plus their economic material needs were taken away now. All this came about because of the multi-party system!

As a matter of fact, every party represents interests of a certain class of the population. The essence of any party is its attitude to private ownership of the means and the results of production. In the USSR, the means of production and articles of production belonged to the people – the State. In principle, the Soviet Constitution allowed other parties to exist. But the Constitution also barred any exploitation of man by man. Work was the only means of making a living. This work ethic united the workers, farmers,

working intelligentsia in the specifics of socialism. Parasites in society (and this means political parties in society) were declared illegal. In the CPSU, all thoughts and different attitudes were represented from the working class. And it isn't their fault that in the leadership of the CPSU, there appeared renegades and traitors of the type of Gorbachev, Yeltsin, Shevernadze, Sushkewich, Krawchuk, Kuchma and company. The CPSU was in actual fact physically and morally liquidated from within, turned into a sluggish conglomerate of different factions of people with different ideas. There took place the biggest sell-out of the century, the results of which it is hard to predict not only in the countries of former socialism, since it will affect the whole world.

HOW DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE ESSENCE OF THIS OR THAT PARTY

All of the present parties say that they are for truthfulness, equality and freedom, dedication to their people. To answer these questions, one must remember that classes in a society always had to deal with class struggle. In all aspects of historical periods, this class struggle was, in the first place, for private gain. It's understood that to divide at the present time the material riches equally among the people is impossible. This is understandable



From newspaper "KOMMUNIST"
- Ukraine

at this time. There is only one answer at this time ... to divide the results of production by society according to worth. We must put into working order all segments of production capabilities, all natural resources of our country and peoples. Then the division will be according to work done.

In truth, in the future, when the results of the technological economic progress will be achieved, the economic potential of the people will grow, then it will be possible to step by step divide the economic benefits amongst people – according to their needs. This was a process that was taking place in the USSR. As an example, our country had symbolic payment for living quarters, for immediate needs for living, for children's clothing. The people received free medical care, free schooling, practically free bringing up of children in children's nurseries. All this was promoted, put into practice by the party of Bolsheviks. But the moral-political composition of the party-government high groupings in the country brought about the tragic results.

Therefore, the key to opening the class composition and attitude of the party, as well as a class as a whole, interests which they represent, is their attitude towards private ownership. Who should have the ownership? WHOSE HANDS MUST THE PRODUCTION CAPACITY BE IN? In private hands? Or in the hands of the society, of the people?

LEFT PARTIES

Left parties always promoted and demanded that the whole of society should own the means of production, for work as the most important aspect of a person's life and all of society. Strategic aim of all left forces – is the demand that all means of production be owned

by all the people and the rule of socialism over capitalism. That is the only road that can guarantee the slogan "All for the benefit of man, all in the name of man!".

The party that follows these principles of socialism and communism of all the left parties existing in the Ukraine, is the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks. This party was organized at the Extraordinary Congress, November 7-8, 1991 in Leningrad. The General Secretary is Nina A. Andreeva. In its program, it states the immediate task of establishing socialist ownership of production; establishing a planned economy; adopting constitutional guarantees for the working class; re-establishing the Soviet Union and other questions for the building of socialism.

All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks functions in most of the former Republics of USSR, which includes Ukraine also. This AUCPB publishes many newspapers in different cities and former Republics, including in Odessa, Ukraine – newspaper "Bolshevik". The AUCPB is not registered by the State Organs of Power.

One of the main problems facing the Bolsheviks is the question of unity and consensus. It is known that Imperialism, plus the internal pseudo-democrats, are doing everything possible that such unity does not take place. Unfortunately, it sometimes seems that even some of the Bolsheviks seem to fall into the category of disrupting the necessary unity. What is this? Mania of greatness, leadership? Or is this a well planned ideological and organized diversion? It is hard to answer this question. It is likely that there is a bit of everything in this. But unity must be achieved and must prevail! Facing the Ukrainian Bolsheviks is the cardinal

task of building a strong, well prepared and ready to struggle party, encompassing all of the Ukraine, as a fighting section of the AUCPB existing in all of the former Soviet Republics, uniting all in the struggle for the resurrection of the USSR. The AUCPB exists now in Kiev, Odessa, Kharkov, in the Donbass Region and other districts and cities of Ukraine.

In its program and aims to the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks is the Party of Communists (Bolsheviks). Their Central Committee is headed by Y.D. Ojyaperov, living in Dniepropetrovsk ... PC (B) is registered and publishes the newspaper "Iskra". Unfortunately, it is still not numerous in its membership. To my way of thinking, its weakness is in the organizational ability to unified actions. In the future, I think what is needed is the coming together with the AUCPB on the principles of Bolshevism. But, to predict the future of this unity at this time is very hard.

The most numerous in membership party in Ukraine is the Communist Party of Ukraine. A fraction of this party is the most numerous in the Ukrainian parliament. In Kiev, this party publishes a newspaper called "Communist". The First Secretary is P.N. Simonenko. This party has thrown out the capitalist system initiated by the pseudo-democrats, now headed by president Kuchma and is now doing great organizational work in defending the rights of the working class.

WEAKNESSES

The weakness of the Communist Party of Ukraine is in its composition, which includes all sort of elements pulling this way and that. Even some of its district and local party organizations do not

work or listen to the central party program! Some sections of the party actually supported the capitalist course of the President in his attempt to establish a personal dictatorship.

Many times, even the leadership in the CC CPU does not follow its own programme or in actual fact, it does not act as if it is the opposition to the present course in Ukraine. Now the party is busy organizing its Congress, at which new documents will be discussed and adopted, new strategy planned and tactics of the communists.

The Socialist Party of Ukraine, headed by A.A. Moroz, now the Chairman of the Supreme Soviet of Ukraine, also belongs to the left forces of Ukraine. In much of its program and its party documents, you can see that it follows some of the programme by the pseudo-democrats, which, in actual fact, robs the working class. Their newspaper "Tovarish" is very anti-capitalist in its policy. Nevertheless, some statements made by the Socialist leadership show that not all of them understand the deep crisis existing now and they do not come from a class point of view. The leader of the party, A.A. Moroz, tries to promote on the Ukrainian people the Utopian idea of uniting ALL political forces existing in the Ukraine in order to have a "strong state"! He stands against having an open opposition to President Kuchma, and is against opposition to privatization, and is for eliminating the last remaining vestiges of Soviet power and wants to preserve the personal rule of President Kuchma.

Against the rule of Mafiosi capital and the robbery of farmers, the Farmers Party of Ukraine is struggling. But we must admit that in its political attitude, this party is even more to the right than was the former CPSU leadership.

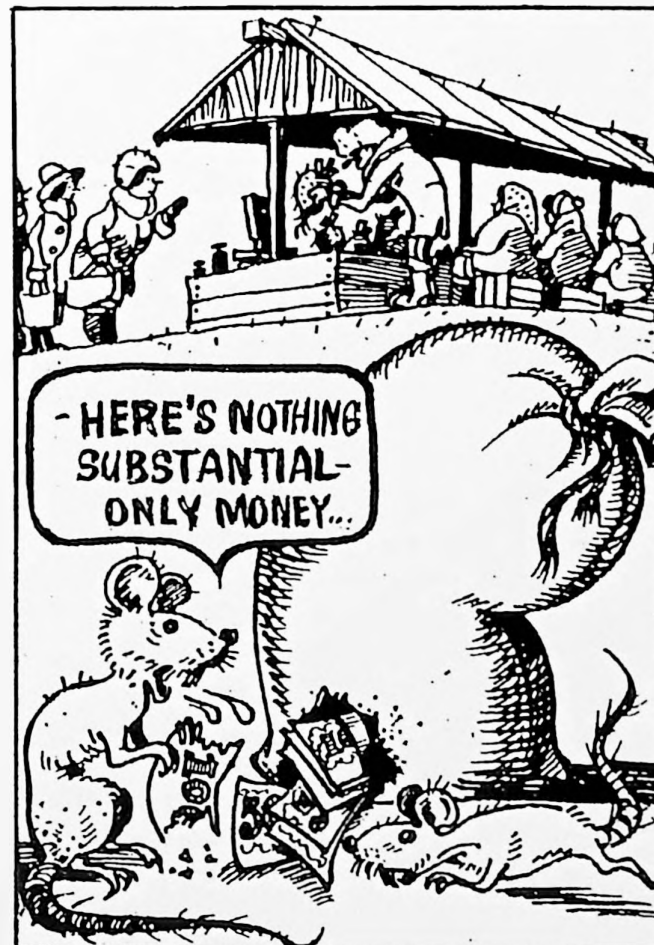
What then is the future perspective for the growth of left forces in the Ukraine? Prognosis here, without any question, is not very bright. It is quite evident that the social-economic situation in the republic will become even worse. There will unfortunately be more splits and polarization of left wing forces. The left wing forces will come to realize that only the unity in principle, in methods of struggle will achieve the results of returning back to socialism. These left wing forces will become more and more Bolshevized. There is no other road back to socialism. The alternative is – the rule of the Mafia, raw capitalism, terror, misery, social and national oppression.

RIGHT WING PARTIES

The rightist parties are existing in the Ukraine more refined and organized. They have more

experience in the fight against their own people. They are financed by the world Imperialism. The better known anti-communist organization is headed by Chernovil of Peoples' RUKH. In the organization RUKH, there took place a split. The breakaway section formed the All Ukrainian People Movement. Because of the catastrophic collapse of the politics of the pseudo-democrats, the influence of RUKH suffered greatly. But nevertheless, both of these organizations play a big role in the capitalist reconstruction of the society.

Very influential and very active are other right-wing groupings, parties and the bourgeois-nationalist movements. Their world outlook and program is pro-fascist. Among them – Organization of Ukrainian Nationalists (OUN), Ukrainian National Assembly-Ukrainian Peoples' Self Defence (UNA-UNSO),



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Congress of Ukrainian Nationalist (CUN), Ukrainian Republican Party (URP), Democratic Party of Ukraine (DPU) and others.

It is characteristic that the extreme, fully armed sections of UNA-UNSO that exist now are without any danger that the present Ukrainian government will stop their activities. It is very evident and unbelievable that the Justice Ministry has officially recognized and registered these armed gangs! It is well known that UNSO is a fascist armed movement. So that the Canadian and other readers easily understand the justice mechanism of the present Ukrainian regime, let us hear from the Peoples' Deputy, chairman of UNA and also at the same time, the Chief Commander of UNSO, Oleg Vitovich. Commenting on the decision of the Ministry of Justice in granting recognition and giving registration to this armed movement, he laughed and stated the following: "UNA is the same as UNSO, since the people in both organizations are the same ones. As regards the Ministry of Justice giving their consent to the UNSO, they just wanted to simplify the initials!"

All the nationalist movements and parties pretend and mislead the people that they are there to defend them, that they are democratic. But to be very truthful, these movements and parties are far from democratic. As an example, at the 7th Conference of OUN held in October of 1987 in Munich, Germany, it was made known that "Ukrainians who do not support the ideas of nationalism, must eventually be liquidated".

HYPOCRACY AND LIES

Hypocrisy and lies - are the most important armaments of all pseudo-democrats of all shades.

Here's another example. On January 15, 1995, the Chairman of OUN, Chairman of OUN, Slava Stetsko, in the newspaper "Road to Victory", defending the participation of Ukrainian nationalists who, together with Chechen Dudayevs nationalist, were fighting the Russian soldiers, wrote: "Organization of Ukrainian Nationalists (Banderovtsi) and Congress of Ukrainian Nationalists officially proclaim that they are taking part in this struggle with the Moscow aggressors because of the political and more struggle against "Moskali"! But in the same newspaper, a member of OUN, Ratushny, says the opposite: "In the Chechen Republic we're not there as an official army, we're there in full force as volunteers - paid mercenaries."

The fascist ideology is being promoted also by the Ukrainian nationalist newspaper, organ of the State Independent Ukraine, "Unconquered Nation" on September 17th, 1994 wrote: "The most important question is the problem of Government. Today, in most positions of the present Government, there are sitting former members of the previous regime. We must get rid of them. Which way? The answer is simple: all roads, to liquidation we must utilize ... in our struggle we shall utilize not only political struggles! ... But the last word will be told by our mauser (hand gun)!"

In the present situation, the right wing forces are utilizing terror against peaceful citizens who do not support their nationalist policies. As an example, during the celebrations of the 77th Anniversary of the Great October Revolution in Lutsk, there took place physical attacks against Communists, who were coming to a legal meeting dedicated to this Anniversary. In

order not to allow more people to be attacked and killed, the organizers of this meeting told the assembled people to disperse. The militia did not take any action to stop these unprovoked attacks.

The right, bourgeois-nationalistic parties, who are not the majority in the Ukrainian Parliament, were able to utilize lack of action, lack of positive rebuffs to these elements by the large section of communists-socialists in the Parliament. Most of these so-called Communist deputies are bent on privatization, selling off of the natural resources and to finally finish off the last vestiges of Soviet power and socialist influence.

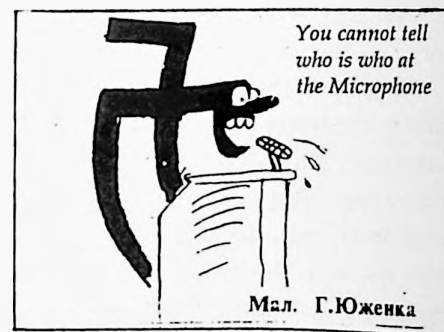
Contemporary nationalism - this is fascism of today. This represents for the Ukrainian people the most serious danger. If we do not stop it now, if we do not take steps to liquidate it now, maybe tomorrow will be too late.

The antagonism of the political forces in our Republic is growing stronger and more bitter. The struggle is getting sharper. □

RECOLLECTION

By: Perepelka, Participant of the Great Patriotic War Lvov

Coming ever closer is the heroes' jubilee of the Soviet people - the 50th Anniversary of Victory in the Great Patriotic War over German fascism. All progressive mankind is preparing to celebrate this great moment in the world's history. But blasphemous plans are



being hatched by the Banderite bands and by the pseudo-democrats (former apparatchiks in the CPSU – Editors) to make these bands that cooperated with Hitler and fascism, to have these people also recognized as “heroes”.

I remember 1945. The most terrible war in the history of mankind just ended. We were victorious! Soldiers were getting ready to be demobilized. Our wounded, devastated countryside, cities and industry were awaiting our hands to resurrect our Motherland.

The section of the Red Army that I served in was stationed by the city of Khodorove (now the Lvov District). We were waiting for the new recruits to fill our ranks so that we could be demobilized. The end of the war, the victory and meeting with our loved ones, those that still remained alive, made us feel very happy. Practically all of the soldiers, sergeants, officers had one or more of their family killed during the war. This sort of cooled our happiness on the Day of Victory. But overall, our feelings were of joy and we were looking forward to peace and family reunions.

At first, peaceful days were with us. But not all of those days were peaceful at all. What we went through in the city of Khodorove, is in front of my eyes even now. In our company, there was a Lieutenant by the name of Kanabedra from the Poltava Region. When he went to the front, his wife was expecting a child, which was born without the father being present at home. I do not know how his wife found out that he was stationed in the city of Khodorove, but soon afterwards, she came to see him with his 4 year old son. Happiness abounded all around. The whole battalion was very happy on this joyous occasion! Everyone

tried to give something to the 4 year old youngster. Some gave sugar, some gave a star from their tunic or a casing from a bullet – anything to show their happiness that finally peaceful life came to our country. The family was quartered in one of the houses in the city. I do not remember the name of the street. The youngster went out to play on the street. It became dark, evening was coming in fast. The mother went out to call for her son to come in from playing. She ran into the street, past the fence and there, to her horror, she found her son lying on the ground with a knife sticking out of his chest, to which a piece of paper was attached: “this will be done with all Soviets.” On the piece of paper was drawn the “Trident” (the symbol of Ukrainian nationalists and now the official symbol of the present Government of Ukraine – Editors). This was the most horrible death I have ever seen throughout the whole war. The dead youngster is always in my dreams nightly, even 50 years after this incident. He was buried with all military honours, as a soldier. The whole battalion attended the funeral!

I saw many dead people, murdered by the banderites. I remember one of the villages of Khorivsky Region in the Volyn District – 12 bodies of women, two elderly men, and two children. They were butchered by the Ukrainian banderites-nationalists because they were Polish.

I remember another tragic event. Not far from the front lines, just behind our backs, so to speak, there took place an emergency landing by our fighter plane. Our Commander told our Sergeant Sidorenko to find the pilots and give them all the help they needed. The Sergeant, 3 soldiers and myself went to the place where we saw the aeroplane land. We found the aeroplane immediately.

But we saw that the plane was already stripped of important armaments and maps. Two pilots were there dead. Their eyes were gouged out. On their chests were cut a star, and under the star, a Trident!

From that moment on, the “Trident” stands in front of my eyes as a symbol of death. I cannot forget this and my mind will never let me forget this butchery, these fascists! □

OUR NEW CONTACTS IN USSR. NEW NEWSPAPERS THAT STRUGGLE FOR SOCIALISM!

- “SVETLOCH” – Moscow
- “SPRAVEDLIVIST” – Volyn
- “SLOVO KOMMUNISTA” – Odessa
- “KRASNAYA MOLODEZH” – Vladikavkaz □



NEW CONTACT FROM VLADIKAVKAZ

A NEW STAR IS BORN! "RED YOUTH" NEWSPAPER

Dear Comrades!

We represent a new youth communist organization, "Krasnaya Molodezh - Red Youth", and are sending you the first number of our newspaper.

With great interest, we found out about your Northstar Compass. All of the materials that you publish are very interesting, especially the very good and informative article by Professor Vladimir Herasymchuk, "Anti-Bolshevism is the Weapon of Anti-Communism". We are going to publish this article in our next issue.

We agree, that for now, before there is set up an international communist organization, it is very necessary for international contacts between revolutionary parties and movements. We certainly would be very appreciative if our contacts will be ongoing.

Greetings on the Red Army Day!

- Vladimir Babanov
Editor

Below, we publish the Appeal to Red Youth readers that is on the front page of this first number.

"In front of you is the first number of 'Red Youth'.

The initiative was by our youth who cannot agree with the political counter-revolution, the dismemberment of the USSR, and the restoration of capitalism. We cannot quietly look on this, how they are trying to liquidate the Soviet people.

Our task - to unite the most progressive youth into one organization in order to struggle

and fight for socialism, for the rights of the working class, for the USSR.

In our publications, we will tell the truth about the conditions of the working class, about the youth problems. We are going to unmask the anti-peoples regime, and also unmask the bourgeois media.

We are appealing to our readers for help and cooperation.

**TOGETHER WE SHALL
RAISE THE RED FLAG OF THE
WORKERS!** □

SPECIAL FOR NORTHSTAR COMPASS

ON THE EVE
OF THE

50TH

**ANNIVERSARY
OF ALLIED
VICTORY**

**OVER HITLER
FASCISM!**

CZECHS AND SLOVAKS IN THE WINTER OFFENSIVE

The marking of the 50th anniversary of the victory over fascism got underway in Prague on January 12 with a showing of the Soviet classic "Ordinary Fascism" at the Russian Centre of Science and Culture, the first in a season of Soviet films dealing with the struggle against Nazi Germany which will continue until May 4 and includes

"Ballad of a Soldier", "The Fall of Berlin" and "Fate of a Man".

In introducing "Ordinary Fascism", a spokesman for the Coordinating Committee organising the celebrations commemorating the liberation of Prague on May 9 said that it was a moral duty on society to recall the sacrifices of those who died to free Czechoslovakia: 350,000 Czechoslovak patriots and more than 140,000 Red Army and other soldiers of the anti-Hitler coalition. The role of the Soviet Union had been decisive, he said - a theme taken up by Ernie Trory in the first of a series in The New Worker, the British Communist weekly, on January 13.

His article deals with the Soviet offensive of January 1945, which did much to take the heat off beleaguered US troops in Belgium. Wrote Stalin to Churchill on January 7: "Rest assured we shall do all in our power to support the valiant forces of our Allies." What the Soviets did was to open up a vast offensive along a 750-mile front from the Baltic to the Carpathians, in which 150 divisions were hurled at the Nazis. As Trory puts it: "In all, 150 divisions were brought into action, powerfully

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LEGAL DEMOCRATIC LAWYER TO DEFEND IN MURDER CASE

Small text describing a legal case in Prague.

CHARGES DROPPED AGAINST 2 OF L.M.7

Small text about charges against two individuals.

Tony Blair in Wonderland

Small text about Tony Blair's visit to Prague.



A Fall (sketch)

Small text describing a sketch or drawing.

supported by artillery and aircraft."

Among the supporting artillery units were regiments of the 1st Czechoslovak Army Corps formed on Soviet soil in the spring of 1944 after Slovak troops fighting alongside the Nazis at the major battle of Sokolovo in Poland – Slovakia was then an independent clerico-fascist satellite of Germany – deserted to the Soviets and joined up with the Czechoslovak Unit already formed in the USSR.

Five such regiments took part in the Battle of Jaslo in Poland which



Major I. Pavluk



Captain M. Ajabec

began on January 15.

Major Pavluk, then a gunner, was at Jaslo and recalled it in "Halo Noviny" on January 14.

"When we got to Jaslo we didn't sleep for a week: we were dragging in at night. Fascist reconnaissance planes gave us no peace, but we were well camouflaged, like the enemy. They gave away their positions when they fired on our decoys ... In my unit, Gechs and Slovaks were in a minority, most of our comrades being from the Ukrainian Carpathians. Our officer was Lieutenant Michael Rjabec and before dawn on the 15th, he called the gun commanders and gunners, and discussed our strategies with us. Later, as we waited, our good friend Rifleman Pavel Ginto was killed by a stray bullet from the Nazi lines. Before we got the order to open our barrage, a Katyushn rocket battery began to "sing". Our barrage lasted 65 minutes, after which we hugged each other in joy. □

SHOW TRIAL: THE OPENING MOVES

In a move which interior minister and one-time Charter 77 "dissident" Jan Ruml openly admits is political, 6 former Czechoslovak government and Communist leaders have been charged with taking part in the illegal arming in 1986 of the Czechoslovak People's Militia, "in violation of the constitution of the Czechoslovak Socialist Republic". Those charged are: MILOS JAKES, general secretary of the Communist Party/KSC/1987-89; LUBOMIR STROUGAL, federal premier 1970-88; KAREL HOFFMAN, KSC presidium member 1971-89 and also a former vice-president of the World Federation of Trade Unions; JOZEF KORCAK, federal deputy premier and Czech Republic premier 1970-87; and MILAN VACLAVIK, defence minister in 1986 and a KSC presidium member. Also charged is

MIROSLAV NOVAK, a former People's Militia commander.

When the Czech Police's Investigations Office announced on December 22 that the People's Militia (LM), formed originally by factory workers in 1945-46 to combat looting and disbanded in 1990 by the new anti-communist regime, was a legal organization which had been armed within the law and that no charges could be brought against individuals, interior minister Ruml denounced the police and state prosecutor's office as "inadequately purged of old structures".

Making a mockery of the "independence" of the prosecutor's office, he and his newly-appointed adviser Václav Benda put such pressure on it over Christmas that, with only hours to go to the expiry of the legal deadline for bringing such charges on December 29, the decision not to prosecute was reversed. What one of the accused, Milos Jakes, later described as "theatre of the absurd" then began. The justice and interior ministries issued different lists of who were to be charged and the police made even bigger fools of themselves than they already were in the eyes of the public by declaring 2 of the 7 "fugitives" and serving summons on their lawyers – when in fact Jakes was spending X-mas in the country and Hoffman was out walking when the police called!

Benda's appointment as adviser appears to have beefed up the interior ministry as an anti-communist spearhead. Given the widespread belief that Charter 77 "dissidents" are soft liberals, it is revealing that their only representatives still in leading positions – apart from President Havel himself – mounted the highly illiberal campaign to charge former state and party leaders and stage what they hope will be a major show trial of leaders of the now

defunct Communist Party of Czechoslovakia. The links between Ruml's father and the CIA are well-known, while Benda gained notoriety last year by hosting a dinner party for visiting Chilean fascist and ex-dictator Pinochet, in the Czech Republic on an arms-buying mission.

The Czech Communist Party – KSCM – condemns the charges as a diversion from the political, social and economic crises besetting the Czech people and as a right-wing response to the local election successes of the Communists in November. The head of the party's legislative and human rights commission Vojtech Filip has been vocal in defence of the LM, showing that Law No. 286 of 1948 gave it a public order role, accompanied by a right to bear arms, and opened its ranks to all regardless of party affiliation. It was not, he points out, a Communist Party instrument but under the control of the interior ministry. The right to bear arms was reaffirmed in Law No. 40 of 1974. Its members contributed tens of thousands of hours of voluntary labour to all kinds of schemes, were the backbone of the blood donor system, intervened decisively in cases of flood and civil emergency, and played a role which they have no reason to be ashamed of. More than 500,000 people were members of the LM at one time or another. At the time of its disbandment in 1990, it had 100,000 members. □

— DEAR READERS —
HAVE YOU DONATED TO
OUR SUSTAINING FUND?

HAVE YOU RENEWED
YOUR SUB?

From Newspaper
“HAMMER AND SICKLE”
Krasnoyarsk

STATEMENT OF
OLGA ULJANOVA

DO NOT ALLOW
THIS TRAVESTY!

As the only relative left of V.I. Lenin, I have the moral right to make this statement regarding the Mausoleum where the body of Lenin is buried, and its future.



I demand that the body of V.I. Lenin remain in the Mausoleum on Red Square in Moscow. To rebury V.I. Lenin in any other city will become a barbaric act on the grave of Lenin. History has seen many such instances of desecration. The plan by enemies of socialism to remove the body of V.I. Lenin will bring about the removal of the Mausoleum itself, a world renowned building of architectural design. Our grandchildren and their children will never forgive us for this vandalism.

You cannot look at history from the emotional state of the present rulers.

— Olga Uljanova □

From Newspaper
“PRAVDA”
Berlin

By: Alexander Stepanov,

WHO IS WHO?
PERSONAL
BODYGUARD TO
YELTSIN

He is considered the 5th most important person in the government. This is spelled out very clearly by the German newspaper, “Velt”.

Experts state that the personal bodyguard of Yeltsin, Alexander Kozharkov, is well built, lots of hair and very cold and outwardly, very cool, not stand-outish. In other words, he fits into a crowd without standing out.

Yeltsin praised him sky-high in his book, where he stated that “since 1985, when I came to Moscow to work in the CC CPSU, Kozharkov was my bodyguard and we are inseparable, because he is smart, a good companion and has a clear head”!

Why does this bodyguard deserve such praise is the subject of much speculation. When Yeltsin got into trouble a few years back, having been drunk, visiting someone else's wife at night, it was broadcasted all over the world that he was “beaten up and thrown into the Moscow River”. The CC CPSU at that time decided to take away from Yeltsin his bodyguard. BUT Kozhakov (somehow he knew what was in the future plans of Yeltsin – Editors) begged the CC CPSU to let him be the personal bodyguard of Yeltsin without pay. This was agreed to by the CC CPSU.

Yeltsin, during the night of October 3, 1994, had Kozhakov phone Pavel Grachev, Minister of

Defense and browbeat him into ordering the carnage at the "White House"! That is how powerful the 5th personage after Yeltsin is!

Alexei Kazannik, former General Prosecutor under Yeltsin, who was fired by Yeltsin for not listening to his demands, stated that: "Ministers under Yeltsin are deadly afraid of Kozharnik and bow low before him. My feeling is that Kozharnik rules the Kremlin!" Sergei Yushenkov, Head of Parliamentary Committee on Defense said "He is responsible for much, and particularly in politics."

Tsarist Russia had Rasputin, Yeltsin has his personal Kozhamnik! □

**From Newspaper
"SPRAVEDLIVIST"
Lutsk, Ukraine**

TV "Ostantkino" reported that the personal bodyguard of Yeltsin has grown to such an extent that it nears the personnel of a full division of soldiers! It is 100% more than Stalin had, even during the World War II danger. □

**NEW TRAGEDY
WITH "QUIET
FLOWS THE DON"!**

**From Newspaper
"LITERATURNAYA ROSSIYA"**

Not so long ago, Soviet actors, musicians and other performing artists were among the best in the world, world-renowned films made during the Soviet times were supported by the Soviet Government, and actors did not have to worry about anything but their acting and art.

Unfortunately, these Soviet actors did not have the political understanding as to how capitalism works ... but now, as the story below unfolds, they found out the bitter truth about "capitalist

democracy"! But a bit too late! – Editors

"It is well known that the epic work of Sholokhov, 'Quiet Flows the Don', is a literary classic which portrays a tragedy of those times in the history of the USSR, the author was always maligned, criticized, and great abuse was heaped upon him. But his work survived these attacks and it became a masterpiece of Soviet novelists, a world respected novel and a film epic, directed by Bondarchuk.

In January of 1990, at the height of 'perestroika' and the love affair with 'market economy', Sergei Bondarchuk signed a contract with an Italian multi-millionaire who heads a financial empire, Signor Rispoli, to film 'Quiet Flows the Don', with Russian and Italian actors. The film was finished in 1992. This was to be a Telefilm production, as opposed to the Movie Theatre version which is now a classic.

On December 9, 1994, a Press Conference took place in Moscow where the last letter written by Sergei Bondarchuk was read, in which he tells of the tragedy and terrible conditions that the Soviet actors were under while filming. Bondarchuk states that 'Our actors were treated as if we were black African slaves, or worse than second class citizens and actors!'

Bondarchuk died before he was able to mail this letter. In this letter, he charges that there was skulduggery done in payment to the Soviet actors, and that the film itself is now under lock and key in a safe in Rome. The film belongs to Sovexportfilm-Bondarchuk, but try as they might, Signor Rispalani declared bankruptcy. But before he declared bankruptcy, he also made arrangements to make films in Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan.

Signor Rispalani was invited to this press conference in Moscow, in

order to answer questions as to the machinations of finances and not giving back the film to Sovexportfilm-Bondarchuk as the contract stipulates, but never showed up.

In this letter by Bondarchuk to Signor Rispalani, he said: 'I and the film "Quiet Flows the Don" were given high awards, an Oscar and other recognitions by the world film industry. We took all the Italian actors and entourage to Russia where we shot the film on the spots of which Sholokhov wrote, we did everything possible to make this film a classical production again, as was the Russian version before.'

In concluding his letter, Bondarchuk stated: 'I'm starting the fight to regain the right to the film, according to our agreement. I believe that peoples' truth will prevail, and that man has a right to be heard!'

Yes ... the honour, the beauty, the unparalleled crookedness of private enterprise, market economy and the laws of this system. Unfortunately, the former Soviets have to learn on their own skins. BUT ... will this lesson be learned by the present actors, directors and artists who were sold a version of capitalism that is just not there? □

**From Newspaper
"BOLSHEVIK"
Odessa, Ukraine**

**PAGES FROM THE PAST
TWO FATHERS:
KRUSHCHEV AND STALIN**

The Bible states that "A dead lion is more frightening than a live dog". That is why the present dogs are barking at the dead lion.

Much has been written about the sons of Stalin and Krushchev. Let us look at historically documented facts.

Krushchev, by the first marriage,

had a son Leonid who was a drunkard and always had a habit of shooting a bottle of booze off the head of anyone that was willing to play this game. Even Germans were impressed by this recklessness of Leonid.

In one of his drunken shooting of bottles, Leonid killed a Soviet soldier in his company. Stalin found about this. Krushchev, as a member of the War Council, First Secretary of the CP (B) Ukraine, started to take action in order to save his son. Stalin asked Krushchev: "Are you appealing for your son as a member of the War Council or as a father?"

"As a father," – said Krushchev. Then Stalin asked a question of Krushchev: "But did you think about the father of the son that your son killed? What is he going to say?" ("Young Guard" newspaper No. 3, 1991).

As is known now, the son of Krushchev was sentenced to a Working Battalion of the Red Army, but soon found himself a prisoner of the Germans. Leonid Krushchev then started to appeal to the Red Army soldiers to give themselves up to the Germans and become prisoners of war.

Red partisans kidnapped him from the camp and he was tried and shot as a traitor to his country. Krushchev to the last moment did everything he could to save his traitorous son. This is the first fact.

The son of Stalin, Yakov from the very first day, found himself on the front. He also became a prisoner of war. What a difference in these two cases – Krushchev asking for leniency while Stalin looks at his son as he did at every Red Army soldier.

Sweden's Red Cross asked Stalin that the Germans were willing to free his son for the return of Field Marshal Von Paulos. The reaction of Stalin was this: "I do not exchange a

soldier for a Marshal." Stalin could not have saved his son while leaving thousands of soldiers as prisoners of war.

When newspapers found this out, "our prisoners were relieved, and their feelings for Stalin knew no bounds and we never can say that we shall not win this war, because Stalin did not abandon us," the newspapers quoted prisoners of war.

Stalin believed in his son: "No, Yakov will rather choose death than be a traitor to his Motherland." These words are written in his book by Marshal Zhukov. Yakov, like his father, was a patriot. Yakov was shot by the Germans. This is the second fact.

Dear Reader: Remember our Ukrainian people's saying, "As the father is, so are his children". Remember the father Krushchev and the father Stalin, remember the sons Leonid and Yakov, and also remember the dead lion and the living dogs!

– Y. Kert

PICTURES SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS

Below, we publish 3 photographs illustrating an article in the



newspaper "Kommunist", showing them begging on the streets in the present "independent Ukraine" which the capitalist world seems to be enchanted with. Did you EVER see this happen during Socialism? NEVER! □



**WE NEED
BACK COPIES!**

**From Newspaper
"OUR COMPASS"
Minsk, Byelorussia**

I AM FOR OUR SOVIET MOTHERLAND

I am neither a politician nor a lawyer, but an ordinary woman citizen from a worker's family. My parents left me with a legacy of dedication, love for our country and above all, to be honest. My upbringing was dedicated to the Great October Revolution, Lenin and Stalin.

These rules of behaviour and love to our family were like a compass, guiding us into a happy future.

With my own eyes, I saw the Soviet Union develop into a mighty country, even though there were problems. Absolutely, the majority of our people felt like that and looked forward to a bright future. We were proud to call ourselves Soviet citizens and did not look for the "capitalist heaven" as was done by some who put their own egotistic aims above everyone and even above their own country.

The noble example of this solidarity was the great victory of our Red Army against the mightiest force that the world had ever seen, even though our "Allies" from the start supported and encouraged Hitler to go East!

That war cost our family very much. My father, a member of the CPSU, went to the front and became a hero when our Red Army was forcing the Dnieper River. Marshal Konev himself decorated my father S.V. Artamonov with Hero of the USSR medal, with these words: "Well Hero, have you had enough? You fought in the Civil War and War of intervention!" Father replied that "when we defeat the enemy in his lair, then we shall discuss retirement!"

Marshal Konev embraced my father and said: "Fine, we shall go together towards victory!"

My father unfortunately did not return. He was killed in 1944, liberating the Carpathian Mountains, and there, he was buried.

During the forcing of the Dnieper River, my 19 year old brother died also. As my father, as my brother, both of them were volunteers into the Red Army.

Together with my mother and two brothers, we defended Stalingrad where I was wounded.

It's tragic that the living did not defend the Soviet Union. While majority of Soviets on March 17, 1991 voted overwhelmingly for the Soviet Union as a State and this was against the band of bandits like Gorbachev, the regime made all of us fools. This was well planned and these modern capitalists, with their support from the West, are robbing our nation and our people.

Now, I cannot go to the graves of my husband or my brother, together with the grandchildren, because we are now barred – they put up borders.

Peoples Deputies thought up the "Duma" (Tsars' creation). They want to bring back the Tsar! The capitalists want us to be cheap labour, servants and underlings. Our country is in a crisis, speculators are running wild, narcotics, pornography, prostitution and banditism. Our artists now are copying the West in their presentations, nothing original or from the life of our people or its history, culture or life. The present Mafiosi governing our country think that if they demolish this or that monument, ban this or that newspaper, erase our history from schools, from books, they feel that that people will be satisfied, well

fed or clothed?

Our people are divided now, scores of years of contacts, family ties throughout the Soviet Union, I cannot even bring my grandchildren to visit the graves of their father and grandfather now.

I cannot sleep as to what will happen to our Motherland, what will our grandchildren be like, raised during these terrible times when our history is being falsified, distorted, obliterated and Western culture and values are forcibly imposed on our future generation?

Is it possible that my husband and sons who died for the liberation of our Motherland and the world, did they not want peace? Is it possible that our Red Flag under which our Red Army liberated Berlin is not connected with people of good will?

No! Thousand times, NO! No matter what lies are told by the present "democrats", the restorers of capitalism or the traitorous official press! Our people will not put up much longer with this state of affairs. No one has the right to put on the shoulders of free people their own will which is promoted with blackmail, crookedness and lies. We will not allow much longer those people to keep on blackening our history, our glory, our sacred dedication to socialism and against bourgeois regime.

I am for our Soviet uncompromising struggle!

– V. Artamonova

Member of Kaliningrad Movement
"Congress of Soviet Women" ☐

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**HAVE YOU RENEWED
YOUR SUB?**

From Newspaper
PRAVDA UKRAINY

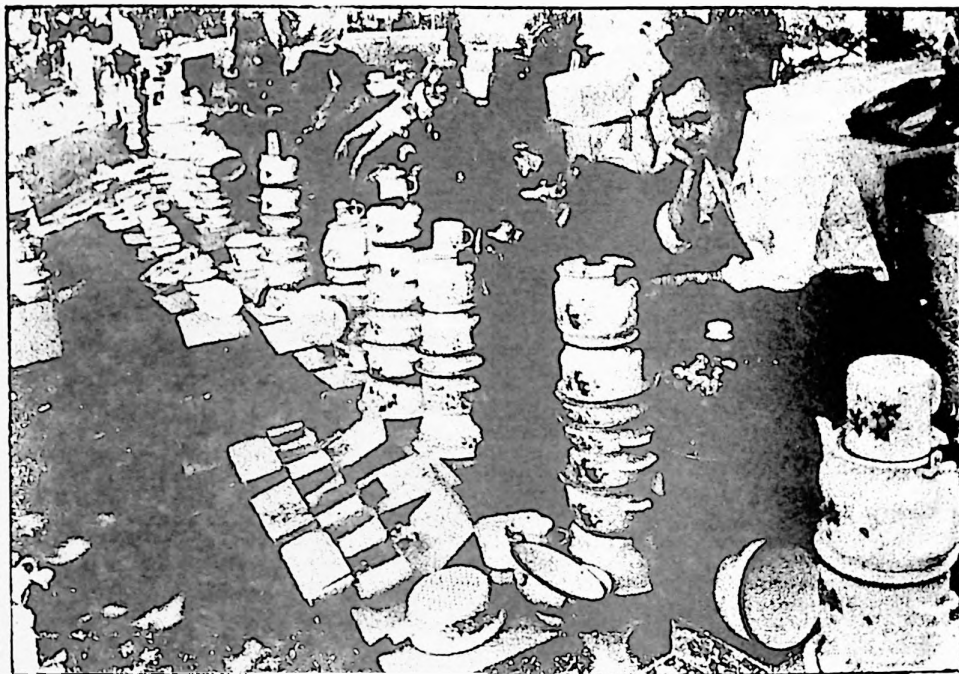
MONTHLY PAY ... IN TEA SETS

In the photo, you can see people selling tea sets on the highway Moscow-Simferopol. These are workers who work at the enterprise, making the well-known tea sets called "Prince". Since the enterprise has no money to pay the workers, they get paid in china tea sets, which they sell in order to have money to live.

The copy under the picture uses the name of Lenin and "quotes" him as saying, "Learn how to barter!"

Here is what our correspondent Vladimir Harasymchuk adds to this caption:

"Of course, the photograph taken by Vladimir Mayevski of the present contemporary life in Russia has nothing whatsoever to do with what V.I. Lenin said. This is how it is now, the forces that have sold out



the Soviet Union, the new "leaders" try to cover their criminal acts and blacken the past by misquoting Lenin and at the same time, blackening the name of communists.

But the heroic history of the Soviet people speaks for itself. Here, there is no need for commentary.

But the fall of the biggest and mightiest country in the world returning back to the time of Middle Ages – this is the result of "governing" of the restorers of capitalism in the USSR!" □

From Newspaper
"KOMMUNIST"

PRESIDENT'S "GUARANTEE"?

Below, we publish a copy of the original letter sent to D. Procenko, Chernigov District of Ukraine, by the present president Kuchma who was a candidate against president Krawchuk. In this letter to the Collective and State Farms of Ukraine, Kuchma promised everything under the sun ... you would have thought that he is still "a communist", a patriot, a fighter against exploitation and against capitalism. We're just publishing one paragraph to show you the trickery that Kuchma used. Does this not remind you of Canada's politicians, before elections? – Editors.

Шановний Я

Я добре розумію, що тільки важкою працею сілських трудивців і Волами усталими ще тримаються наше село, а з ним і держава Але! Вам стоєт дегал все важче протистояти руйнінню зупинити уразу або не дати відбутися економічній катастрофі. З ексрмі спекавіторі та сторіок газет неспіткним поповом ступи фемілотичі прамові наше керівництво, які зустріч реальності зупити докати відому сілцу, як все добре у нас в сілському господарстві. Що ж до мене, то контролююачо уразом преса та телебачення повністю замовчують, що аграрні питання – одні в найпоганиших у моєй програмі. Я розумію із важливість, бо сам народився і виріс у чернігівському селі, а мої батьки все життя працювали у волості.

Такро переконаний, що враща допомога сілцу – надання людям можливості працювати і заробляти. Земля повинна належати селянам, і я зроблю все необхідне, щоб вона не ступалась за безцінь особам, які будуть турі і і дбатити лише про власну вишечку.

Я категорично проти шиківного вурст на розвиток колективних господарств. Нині вони – основний виробник і господарник, і в разі із розпадом ми будемо змушені приймати закордонні багатоділі пироби з бирожіом. Тому я гарантую, що у разі мого обрання, державні органи влади будуть забезпечувати стабільне постачання паливом, технікою, мінеральними добрива та гарантувати закупівлю сілськогосподарської продукції і своєчасні розрахунки з виробниками. Я виступаю за зменшення та підняття кредитування безпосередньо сілськогосподарських підприємств.

І майбутнє сілське господарство завжди повинно знаходитись під особливим захистом держави, без чого будь-які економічні реформи будуть тільки нікіому не потрібнаю балаганіком.

Сподіваюсь на Вашу підтримку на президентських виборах 26 червня і хочу врутити від катастрофи село, а з ним і всю нашу Україну.

З найкращими побажаннями і повагою

Леонід Кучма
народний депутат України

"Land must belong to the people, must not be sold, must not accumulate in private hands, who, in the long run, will sell it to foreign owners-exploiters.

I categorically am against liquidation of Collective and State Farms. Today, they are the guaranteed factor in producing for our people the necessities of life. If we were to dismantle them, we would have to import our products and would have to put on our shoulders the beggar's sack. Therefore, I guarantee that if I am elected, I will make certain that our farms and industries are not sold off to private capitalists' hands ..."

This letter was sent out by Kuchma in April of 1994. □

TO OUR SOVIET FRIENDS:

ARISE YOU
MIGHTY LAND!

THAT'S THE WAY IT WAS ... THAT'S THE WAY IT'S GOING TO BE!



From Newspaper "VOICE OF STALINGRAD"

OATH OF A RED ARMY SOLDIER

Here's a document which we're sure will interest our readers/members ... a signed document by Stalin, filled out on February 23, 1939 when Stalin, as he considered himself a common "soldier" signed THIS OATH OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE RED ARMY AND THE SOVIET UNION. □



ВОЕННАЯ ПРИСЯГА

Я, гражданин Союза Советских Социалистических Республик, вступаю в ряды Рабоче-Крестьянской Красной Армии, принимаю присягу и торжественно обязуюсь быть честным, храбрым, дисциплинированным, безбоязненным, строго хранить военную и государственную тайну, беспрекословно выполнять все воинские уставы и приказы командиров, комиссаров и начальников.

Я являюсь добросовестно изучать военное дело, всемерно беречь военное и народное имущество и до последнего дыхания быть преданным своему Народу, своей Советской Родине и Рабоче-Крестьянскому Правительству.

Я всегда готов по призыву Рабоче-Крестьянского Правительства выступить на защиту моей Родины — Союза Советских Социалистических Республик и, как воин Рабоче-Крестьянской Красной Армии, я обязуюсь защищать ее мужественно, умело, с достоинством и честью, не щадя своей крови и самой жизни для достижения полной победы над врагами.

Если же по закону умрусь и нарушу эту мою торжественную присягу, то пусть меня постигнет суровая кара советского закона, всеобщая ненависть и презрение трудящихся.

Подпись *М. Сталин*

Звание Член Главного Военного Совета РККА

Имя, фамилия и отчество Иосиф Виссарионович
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Неполное наименование части, учреждения, учреждения _____

23 февраля 1939 г.

SWEARING-IN

By I. Kulikov
City of Kronsdat, Leningrad Region

Dedicated to those soldiers who deserted their people and opened fire on innocent Soviets.

Who swore once allegiance to the Flag, should keep his word till the dying days ...

PETER THE GREAT

Who are you, bandit or thief?
Where did you live, where did you study?
What did your father teach you, crook?

Did you fulfill your promises to Him?
 Are you so stupid, are you so rude?
 You said: "I'll always love my
 country!"
 You said: "I love my Fatherland!"
 And now, you and your fascist
 group ...
 You gave an Oath in front of all the
 nation,
 Every soldier knows the words!
 You sold your soul to Satan you,
 We know you traitors, all of you!
 You did not walk in life, you crawled,
 You lived like a serpent, Russian
 gangster.
 You executed the Supreme Soviet,
 They paid you well in dollars,
 gangsters.
 You executed Soviet life.
 You killed our freedom, bloody
 bandits.
 You are a killer, not a hero.
 We'll find you, Yeltsin, we will
 find you.
 Have you forgotten Peter's order?
 You're watching icons, little Hitler,
 We'll find you, Yeltsin, I can promise,
 You'll die like the gangster
 Adolf Hitler! □

From Newspaper
VOICE OF STALINGRAD

Lately in the press, there has been a concerted effort to undermine the position of the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks because it did not support the campaign for signatures in order to remove President Yeltsin of Russia. We would like to state the following:

It is to no avail for all sorts of people, newspapers and movements, to spread the rumour that the AUCPB is supporting Yeltsin, because it did not take part in the campaign for signatures.

From the very beginning, the AUCPB was, is and will always be against the Presidency and against

Yeltsin and his clique, because we look at the "presidency" as a thin edge of a wedge, trying to give legal ground to the post of Presidency which in actual fact is totalitarianism and the fascistization of Russia.

The AUCPB signed the document adopted by the Minsk Scientific Conference of Marxist-Leninist Parties (1994) and the 2nd Congress of Peoples of USSR where it was stated categorically that an All Peoples Tribunal should be set up in order to try Yeltsin and other leaders who signed the Byelovezh Agreement to dismember the USSR as traitors!

The further concentration of economic might in the hands of the oligarchy of industrial monopolists does not make certain that by changing only the Presidency or eliminating it, that this move alone will bring back socialism. These traitors with their "presidency", their "speakers" are nothing more than mouthpieces of the transnational corporate power and in order to hide this cardinal fact, they're masking themselves as bourgeois-reformers, propagating a peaceful evolution.

Lastly, no matter how many millions of signatures could be collected to eliminate the Presidency of Russia, according to the present Russian Constitution which was adopted by the Yeltsin allies, including the votes of Zyuganov's party, the Communist Party of Russia, Yeltsin always has the right to "ignore these signatures and demands", and then utilize these signatures to open up a terror campaign against the people. At the same time, this same campaign to get signatures, takes the peoples' minds off the pressing economic devastation, robbery by the Mafiosi oligarchy. It also takes the peoples' minds off the necessity of a General Strike, the only weapon

that will bring down the present regime.

The All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks takes the position that the only way that the working class and farmers of Russia and of the USSR will be saved is by actions of the masses, led by Marxist-Leninists, utilizing ALL methods of struggle that are in the hands and strength of the workers. Revolutionary struggles are the only answers at this time, in order to resurrect the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

- AUCPB □

From Newspaper
"PRAVDA UKRAINY"
Kiev, Ukraine

This newspaper is not communist or even socialist, it's the mouthpiece of the present government ... but from time to time, some truth slips into its pages
 - Editors.

MEET THE UNEMPLOYED

In Kherson District of Ukraine, to the "Workers' Market" came over 6,400 people looking for work, any kind of work! Besides all this, there are another 32,000 people who are nearly out of work, who are on notice to be laid off, and another 14,000 are here because their place of work was closed or sold off to foreign owners who closed the enterprises so that their own firms (foreign) would not have to compete with these cheap labour reserves.

But that is not all - where are we going to employ the 1,400 graduates from special institutes, colleges? Where are we going to employ another 7,000 from Technical Colleges who have graduated? On top of that, because of the terrible economic conditions for families who cannot make ends meet - there are over 50,000 housewives who must find work in order to feed their families!

More than 125,000 people without work in this small district around Kherson! Will we find work for all of them?

– Nikolay Nechipurenko

COMMENT: During Soviet times and socialism, this Kherson District had to advertise for workers since they did not have enough. Oh yes, the beauty and democracy of "capitalism"! □

**From North Caucasus Branch
"KOMMUNIST"**

WHO ARE THESE PRESENT COMMUNISTS?

With so many communist parties now, and growing like mushrooms with every rain, let us look into this question realistically, without emotion or idealism!

ONE: This is the Gorbachev sell-out clique who have sold our communism-socialism and became the 5th column in the international communist movement. We cannot call them communists. They were never communists. These are the shock brigade of international imperialism who hid themselves inside the CPSU. These are the most bitter and dangerous elements that call themselves "communists"!

TWO: These are the "law abiding" elements, who are ready to fill the ranks of any Communist Party as long as the present regime of "Yeltsin" or other leaders make this a "legal entity"! Can we allow these turn-coats to fill the party posts now? Never! These are people who hide their party cards, waiting for an opportune moment and then come back with words, "smooth as silk", full of Marxism-Leninism, and worm their way back into soft-cushy jobs. These

From newspaper "Youth of Volyn" a pseudo-democratic newspaper sent to us by V. Herasymchuk.

**WHY DOES OUR CANADIAN
GOVERNMENT SUPPORT THIS
BUCCANEER WITH BLOOD ON
HIS HANDS AND OUR MONEY
IN HIS POCKETS?**

EDITORIAL BOARD



Reworked by Michael Lucas

**From North Caucasus Branch
"UNION OF OFFICERS OF USSR"
To All Officers of
Former Soviet Union**

The Yeltsin pro-American regime is trying to instigate civil wars in all of the Caucasus in order to take the peoples' minds off their plight and from the disaster that the present regime finds itself in their attempt to establish capitalism in our Motherland.

This is an attempt by the "new world order" to dismember the Russian Federation even further.

We cannot overlook the fact that we are being prepared for a Third World War on the territory of former USSR and its neighbour, the Chinese Peoples Republic.

The Kremlin clique is doing everything possible to liquidate the established base of the former Soviet Army, now the Russian Army, by selling off equipment, new technology and secrets of potential strategy in case of foreign attack on the country. All the technology and armaments are being sold off for foreign dachas, cars, bank accounts in off-shore investment banks, plus summer homes in Atlantic and Pacific islands.

Some officers who fell into this trap of being promised all of the above, have abandoned their Oath of Allegiance to the Motherland and following the "Americanization" of our Armed Forces and being used now and in the future as cannon fodder for Imperialism.

The reason being decimated among the officers' corps is that the question of the Chechen fighting is to show the Americans that Russia has the "might" to attack and defend their "interests"!

The truth is that there is no "Chechen problem" for the Russian

people! Any problem that is there could always be settled by negotiations and discussions as was the case during Soviet times.

Russia does not need to "demonstrate" its might against the Chechen people in order to please the American or Western European oil cartels.

Yeltsin's clique does not want to settle any problem by peaceful means - they need more blood, more territorial grab of oil reserves - to fulfill the plans of their overseas masters and the new world order. Their aim is to completely dismember any semblance of Soviet territorial integrity, thus making it easier for colonial exploitation of these dismembered territories for the use of transnational corporations.

Comrade officers and soldiers,

the morality of fighting and killing of people for money cannot be used as a logical reason in front of humanity or in front of your parents or children!

We urge you to unite around the moral and patriotic ideas of the "Union of Officers of the USSR" - the kernel and the seed of the future "Peoples Red Army"!

We urge you to sabotage any plans that are meant to kill innocent people, do not shoot at your brothers and sisters, who are not to blame. The blame is on the shoulders of the Kremlin provocateurs!

No - to the war by Russian people against our brothers and sisters on behalf of Imperialism.

No - to the third world war!

Long live the Workers' Red Army! □



are the "scared" communists. They will not march in parades, they will not go to demonstrations, they will not carry out our party assignments ... these are, if we could call them that "legal communists"! You do the fighting, the struggles then we shall come and rule as we did before! These are the worst elements that never should be allowed again into the Communist Party.

THREE: These are the smallest but the most revolutionary segment of the Communists now in the former USSR. These people never left being Communists. No one had to ask them or appeal to them to come back into the Party ... they found their own way and asked, organized and held the banner high for Socialism.

That is why these elements are attacked viciously by the present regime - in them, they see danger. They're attacked, beaten up, jailed, killed, maimed and not allowed any mass media publicity or opportunity to put their program forward.

These are the COMMUNISTS who will inherit the future Soviet Union. In their hands the Red Banner will be flying high.

- A. Artamonov, Member,
Communist Party of Ukraine □

OPEN FORUM

CANADA

By: Dan Ross

SOCIAL REFORMS

Once promoted as the most important policy initiative, of the Liberal government, Lloyd

Axworthy's social security review now has been shoved aside by the concerns about the deficit, cost of borrowing of money at high interest rates. Another factor that will not go away is that of national unity.

"To secure social policy, you have to have a reasonably secure fiscal system, which we don't have right now," says Mr. Axworthy, "therefore, the government will have to deal with its budgetary problems before it will be able to get on with its reforms."

Despite warnings about an impending tax revolt, Prime Minister Jean Chretien says he can't rule out tax increases in the upcoming deficit-fighting budget. He suggested there would be pain for everyone before the government gets its financial house in order. He made a very untasteful remark, joking that "Everyone wants to go to heaven but it's difficult to accept to die."

Senior citizens answered him with a protesters' vigil attended by a large following. One of the speakers said, "We're the elders of this society. We're not just concerned about pensions. We're also concerned about families, single mothers, students, our children and our grandchildren."

The vigil, which was barred from the hotel's parking lot, was forced on to the street, where the members formed a picket line, slowing traffic and irking some motorists. Said one participant: "I was pleased to be stopped by the police after he shoved a copy of the Liberal's Red Book policy paper into Chretien's hand, along with a copy of the group's alternative budget-cutting ideas."

In the House of Parliament, Ontario caucus chair Joe Volpe (Eglinton-Lawrence) says Ontario M.P.'s still tend to put the interest of

the country as a whole before those of their own region.

Volpe said that the M.P.'s heard from their constituents that they want more from the government than a tough budget. They want some creative approaches to create growth as well.

"People understand there is no money" said Volpe, "but they still need to eat and they want to talk about empty stomachs first."

But guess what the Ontario Liberal Caucus talked about when it met privately for two hours? - Gun Control.

Others continued to talk about the lack of money to pay for social costs. One of the answers is the cost of military expenditures, in billions, which include billions for troops spread around the globe, frivolous trips by government members and unpaid taxes by large corporations. In the final analysis, we might begin by calling home the troops and not trying to settle the present futile efforts by military means. They might try arbitration as an alternative. One final suggestion is to create jobs, jobs, jobs.

AIRBORNE REGIMENT

The government recently disbanded the Canadian Airborne Regiment after the release of amateur videos showing racist and obscene behaviour. Here are some examples:

A black soldier was put on a leash and paraded like a dog. Then he was tied to a tree and showered with white talcum powder, while others urinated and defecated on each other and simulated sexual acts.

An earlier video taken by a soldier, when some of the troops of the brigade made shocking remarks referring to the Somalians as niggers and lazy loafers that stank.

Only weeks before the March

I'M OFF TO CROATIA,
PEACEKEEPING,
IN MARCH.

IT WON'T BE
A PROBLEM.
KNOW WHY?



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TORONTO STAR

16th, 1993, torture and beating death of Somalis Shidane Aron at the hands of Canadian peacekeepers who talked about their desire to kill "niggers", "and break arms, legs and limbs".

BLUE CROSS SALE

Numerous questions have arisen from the proposed sale of Ontario Blue Cross to a private company, the key one is "Why are Ontario's

public hospitals selling off the province's largest and most successful non-profit health insurer?"

Why does the U.S. Liberty International Canada want to buy it?

Why is the New Democratic Government letting this to happen?

THE ROGERS DEAL

Recently, two groups - one cultural, the other consumer - joined forces to get the Federal Government to quash last month's Telecommunications Commission decision, allowing Rogers to gain control of one third of Canada's cable households, including those in Metro. Both the Friends of Canadian Broadcasting and the One Voice Seniors Network of Canada vigorously opposed this decision as staggering.

UNITED STATES

This will be the year for living dangerously by many people, yet U.S. President Clinton continues to preach rhetoric.

Here is a sample: "We are at peace and we will create a force for peace throughout the whole world."



APPLYING FOR JOBS!

OVER 2 1/2 MILLION UNEMPLOYED,
HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS PART TIME ... BUT
OUR PRIME MINISTER MADE A STATEMENT,
STATING: "LOOKING GOOD! LOOKING GOOD!"

DUSZYN
TORONTO STAR 95

Although the fighting continues in the Mid-East, the Balkan war is likely to erupt again, Mexico is in economic turmoil, unemployment is rampant in many parts of the world, while millions of children go hungry, yet Clinton offers homilies.

The United States continues its involvement in Haiti, "Troop 108" is one of four groups prepared by the R.C.M.P. to form the heart of the new Haitian National Police Force. All of the troops, drawn from Canada and the U.S., will fly to Haiti in a few days.

The U.N. force, arriving in March, will be composed of a 1,000 men from more than a dozen nations, but it will include U.S. troops led by a U.S. general. The transition has many Haitians worried.

ECUADOR

Peruvian Troops firing mortars and backed by helicopters launched a "massive offensive" against Ecuadorian forces in a jungle area near the common border, the Ecuadorian defence ministry said.

Ecuador said later its airforce had bombed a Peruvian base and that it had downed a second Peruvian helicopter in a day of increased fighting between the two neighboring Andean states. The reported death toll is at least 31.

RUSSIA

Russia has taken Grozny but it has lost the Chechen war. President Boris Yeltsin's troops sitting in the ruins of the Chechnya's capitol have effectively sabotaged the Russian economy.

Reports point out the most serious of the six-week Chechen conflict is the imminent eclipse of Boris Yeltsin himself. He is regarded even by some of his former supporters as unfit to rule Russia.

Yeltsin has become increasingly isolated. He found it necessary the other day to insist in public that he was still in control, but few alternatives remain open to him.

He who departs from Marxism, can only end in the gutter of history.

ISRAEL

Israel clamped down on the West Bank and the Gaza strip recently, barring all Palestinians from the country, for an indefinite period after suicide bombers killed nineteen people and wounded sixty two.

The militant Islamic Jihad organization claimed responsibility for the double attack at a busy junction near the Mediterranean resort of Metanya.

President Ezer Weizman said angrily, we call it a peace process but right now it is a bloody process and with bloody processes, you don't achieve peace.

But Prime Minister Yitzack Rabin said he won't bow to terrorism and the 16-month peace deal will continue.

PAKISTAN

Africa's misery constantly swirls around and around like sludge down a drain.

In Karachi, gunmen with automatic weapons fired on two Sunni Muslim crowds yesterday, killing at least 21 people and wounding 20 in a burst of sectarian violence in this troubled city.

Shiite Muslims carried out the attacks in retaliation for a series of shootings in Karachi.

The increasingly bitter Sunni-Shiite feud is one of several running battles. Karachi, a city of 10 million, is convulsed by ethnic, political and religious violence.

In the first attack yesterday, four gunmen in a car sprayed bullets at people, in a group of religious students.

Several hours later, there was a second drive - by shooting outside the Sunni mosque, where nine men were killed and thirteen wounded while they were praying.

India rules two-thirds of Kashmir and Pakistan. The two countries have fought three wars since independence over the disputed region. □

LETTERS FROM ABROAD

Letter From

FELIX GORELIK
Lugansk, Ukraine

Dear friend:

After Northstar Compass published my article about the "Film About Lenin Overcomes the Blockade" in your #3 issue, the actor



D.I. Vitchenko, who played Lenin in the film, is sending you his own letter of thanks. I would suggest, if possible, to publish his letter, together with photographs I'm enclosing of the actor in the role of V.I. Lenin. These photographs will show you the portrayal of Lenin as it was never portrayed before. I'm enclosing a quote from a letter written by an onlooker who saw this film. This film shows completely

a new facet of humaneness of Lenin that other films did not capture. It would be good if you could publish at least a fragment of this onlooker's viewpoint of the film.

"The picture of Lenin, which you people filmed, had a tremendous impact on me. You can remember other films about Lenin, such as 'Lenin in October', 'Lenin in 1918'



and others. These films sort of set the stage for a pictorial portrayal of Lenin, a bit mechanical and somewhat lacked genuine human feelings, since Lenin, the leader, was always portrayed stiff, serious, determined, in thought all the time. This manner of portraying our great hero had its effect on actors also, who tried to portray Lenin as other films had done. Even though Lenin was a great genius, revolutionary and thinker, he was also human and as all humans, he acted and felt like all of us do. In this film, you see Lenin with tears in his eyes, his emotions showing publicly."

How wonderful it would be if you were able to invite Dmitry Vitchenko to Canada in order to have him present at the showing of this film! He has a videocassette of the film and it only needs English translation. Would this be possible in Toronto?

In our Lugansk, there is an ever growing protest against rising prices. Any day now, there could be called a general strike of the coal miners. Asking for more money will not save the miners either – the rise in prices affects everyone and no amount of catching up will help anyone. On behalf of the Communist Party of Ukraine, there was issued an Appeal to tie in the general strike with a political strike and demands: dismissal of President Kuchma, abolishing the present deputies–reformers and holding new elections, the change of the social economic structures and a return to socialist form of government. Only a political strike can bring our country out of the crisis. But are the coal miners ready for such a stand? Time will tell.

Best of health to all of you!

– With Communist Greetings. □

Letter From Actor DMITRY VITCHENKO

Dear Michael:

I am writing you this letter in order to thank the Editorial Committee for publishing the article by my friend Felix Gorelik about the film depicting V.I. Lenin, "Lenin Inside a Fire Ring".

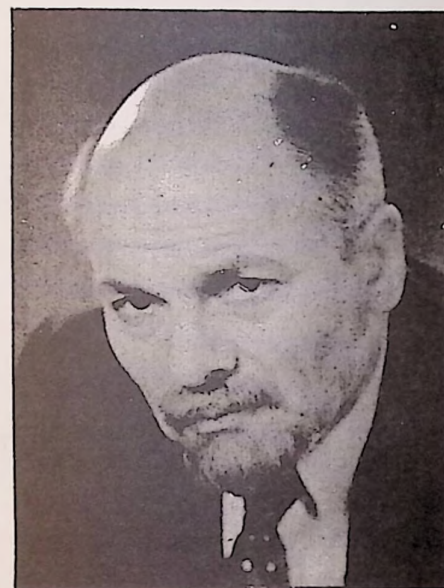
I'm happy that in a far away Canada, this film is now known. Ironically, that outside of patriots in the Ukraine, this film is practically unknown. This film of which I have a video copy bought for me by the other actors who played in the film, now is laying in Liev under lock and key, gathering dust and not allowed to be shown in the Ukraine! What can be more devastating and what anguish does an actor live through, when he sees his film gathering dust on some shelves in storage, under lock and key!

We filmed this film under the most trying of conditions, for

more than one year. The present "democrats" are nationalists in disguise and have turned our country upside down.

Our film is a story of the heroic times of a person and a leader who analyzed the situation in Russia and the USSR and introduced NEP as a temporary salvation during those critical times when the young USSR was surrounded by enemies both internally and externally.

Film deals with conflicts, misunderstandings and touches on



Stalin and the Orthodox Church. In other words, it portrays the human interplay during those dangerous and heroic times.

Again, I want to thank you for publishing the story about this film so that your readers would be aware of this film, produced by Dovzhenko Studios during 1993. □

From Newspaper "OUR SOURCES" Togliatti, Russia

Dear Friends:

I received your letter. Many thanks!

Of course, everything that I write in the newspapers, you can publish if you so wish. The truth must be told.

Enclosed is the first number of

our newspaper "Our Sources" which struggles against the present Yeltsin regime.

The Editorial Board of our newspaper would be very honoured if from time to time, you would translate some articles that would interest your readers.

Keep up the good work, comrades!



– Mikhail Zotov
Veteran of the War
Wounded 5 times during the
Great Patriotic War

From: Damascus, Syria

Dear Comrades:

Nina Andreeva told me good things about "Northstar Compass" and so have the British comrades, who gave me your address. I have read your articles republished in "New Worker".

As a journalist, I am very interested in getting your "Northstar Compass". Please answer me how much I should pay for it and if I can receive it.

We are publishing "Forward" in English, so I propose to exchange it with "Northstar Compass". Besides, I'll send you the Bulletin of Foreign Affairs Bureau of Syrian Communist Party, which appears one or two times a year. The new one I'll send,

separately, tomorrow.

– With regards,
Yours Fraternally,
Michel Mounayer

We certainly would be delighted to exchange publications with you and to ask you to write from time to time for our Northstar Compass. You have the honour of being now the 27th country which reads our publication!

MEET OUR NEW CORRESPONDENT FROM ODESSA

Dear Friends:

Editors of "Word of a Communist" regularly receive your publication Northstar Compass in Odessa. Thank you sincerely.

In order to keep you informed about the situation of our working class, and the latest events in the life of Communists of Ukraine, I'm sending you our latest newspapers and at the same time, my article especially written for your (our) journal, the Northstar Compass. In order for you to know as to who is your "correspondent", I'm enclosing my photo as an officer of the Soviet Navy.

Best wishes to you!

– Guram Tsushbaya
Editor
"Word of a Communist"

Dear Guram: Your letter and your special article on the "42 years since the death of Stalin" is appreciated and we are happy to meet you on the pages of Northstar Compass.

Since Odessa is such an important city and port, and the struggle between the present Ukrainian nationalists and the traitorous clique of Yeltsin is an on-going affair for the spoils – can you write us an article dealing with this question for a future issue? Our readers would certainly get a much better insight into this important and strategic part of the former USSR.

Your informational materials are very valuable to us and although we cannot publish all of your materials, we read them and this way, we get a much better insight into the ongoing struggles of the Soviet people.

From: Rostov-On-Don

Dear Friends:

We are extremely happy to find out that we are not alone fighting against the present capitalist regime. We are thankful for your Northstar Compass that you send us. With great interest, we follow your articles and your dedication.

Not too long ago, we issued a brochure, where we explain in detail the articles which we publish in our newspaper "News from the Don". We try to publish only strategic materials of explanation to the people, because our newspaper comes out not too regularly because of lack of finances and lack of newsprint that we cannot buy from the private owners.



We also get closed up regularly, but our material finds itself on the pages of "Pravda" or "Sovietskaya Rossiya".

No one will be able to stop the movement against the present regime, which is splintering our

great Motherland!

– With regards,
Alexander Shabalov
Editor

We certainly appreciate your letter and newspaper from which we shall quote in later issues. It is always a good sign for any publication to receive new correspondents that are willing to write to our journal. We hope to receive articles from you, Alexander, on the struggle in your Rostov-On-Don! Welcome aboard! □

LETTERS

From: Edmonton, Alberta

Dear Friends at Northstar Compass:

Enclosed please find \$50.00 donation and a renewal. Sincere thanks to the staff for their efforts in bringing us a valued informative magazine.

– Yours,
Michael Skolski

You will be receiving the latest information regarding the 8th Conference and the discussion that took place regarding the Northstar Compass. We always await your comments and good wishes. □

From: Detroit, USA

Dear Friends:

Greetings from Detroit and best wishes for your February Conference. If last minute, things change, I might come to it.

Your efforts in maintaining contact with the people of former USSR not only parallels, but far exceeds similar efforts of our Greater Detroit Friendship Society. Excerpts from the various newspapers and journals, both Eastern and Western, are a valuable contribution to a knowledge and understanding of today's fast-changing events.

Having said this, allow me to make a sharp criticism of your leaning towards Stalinism, this despite an otherwise balanced presentation.

– George Shenkar
Michael Skolski

There follow two pages of analysis regarding Stalin, socialism and other Marxist-Leninist theories which we thank George for. Unfortunately, we do not have the space to reply to his observations or criticisms in the Northstar Compass ... but ... we shall write directly to him regarding his letter and very interesting articles that he has written over the last few years.

We hope that you will agree with this method of an on-going dialogue – Editors. □

From: Innisfree, Alberta

Dear Friends:

Since we cannot come to the 8th Conference, here's a donation of \$150.00 towards its expense and the publication of Northstar Compass.

– Yours,
Alex Skolski
Peter H. Skolski
George Sydora

Your contributions always come when we need them, and your words of encouragement are much appreciated and valued by everyone in the Canadian Council and the Editorial Board. □

QUOTES

"1981 – On the 26th Congress of the CPSU, at the microphone, there appeared the First Secretary of the Sverdlovk District. He pledged his 'Lenin's principles' to the Central Committee and to Leonid Brezhnev, to be ever faithful in obedience to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union." (Pravda, February 26, 1981)

1992 – in the USA Congress in

Washington, there appeared the President of Russia, who said: "Communist idol crashed forever! I am here to promise you: on our land, we shall never allow it to arise again!" (Russian Newspaper, June 19, 1992)

Same speaker in both cases, Boris Yeltsin. □

FRIENDSHIP NEWS

TRAGEDY

By: Victor Paraudon

I cry with you, heroes of Chechniya, Your children are being killed, because a murderer lives in the Kremlin.

Worse than Ivan Grozny,
Worse than Hitler,
this creature is more dangerous,
very stubborn.

This is the year of 1995,
Snow is falling in the Caucasian mountains,
free people, free mountain people.
I bow my head before you.

We are crying together,
together we are waiting for the death of the murderer, bloodsucker ...
Chechen people!

The time will come, when Georgians,
Kazaks, Ukrainians, Jews and
Lithuanians,
Russians and Poles, Frenchmen and
Germans,
All of us will celebrate the death of the tyrant and despot!

Keep fighting, keep struggling!
In the dark hour of dawn, attack and
kill Yeltsin forces!
Take revenge for your wives and
children! □