

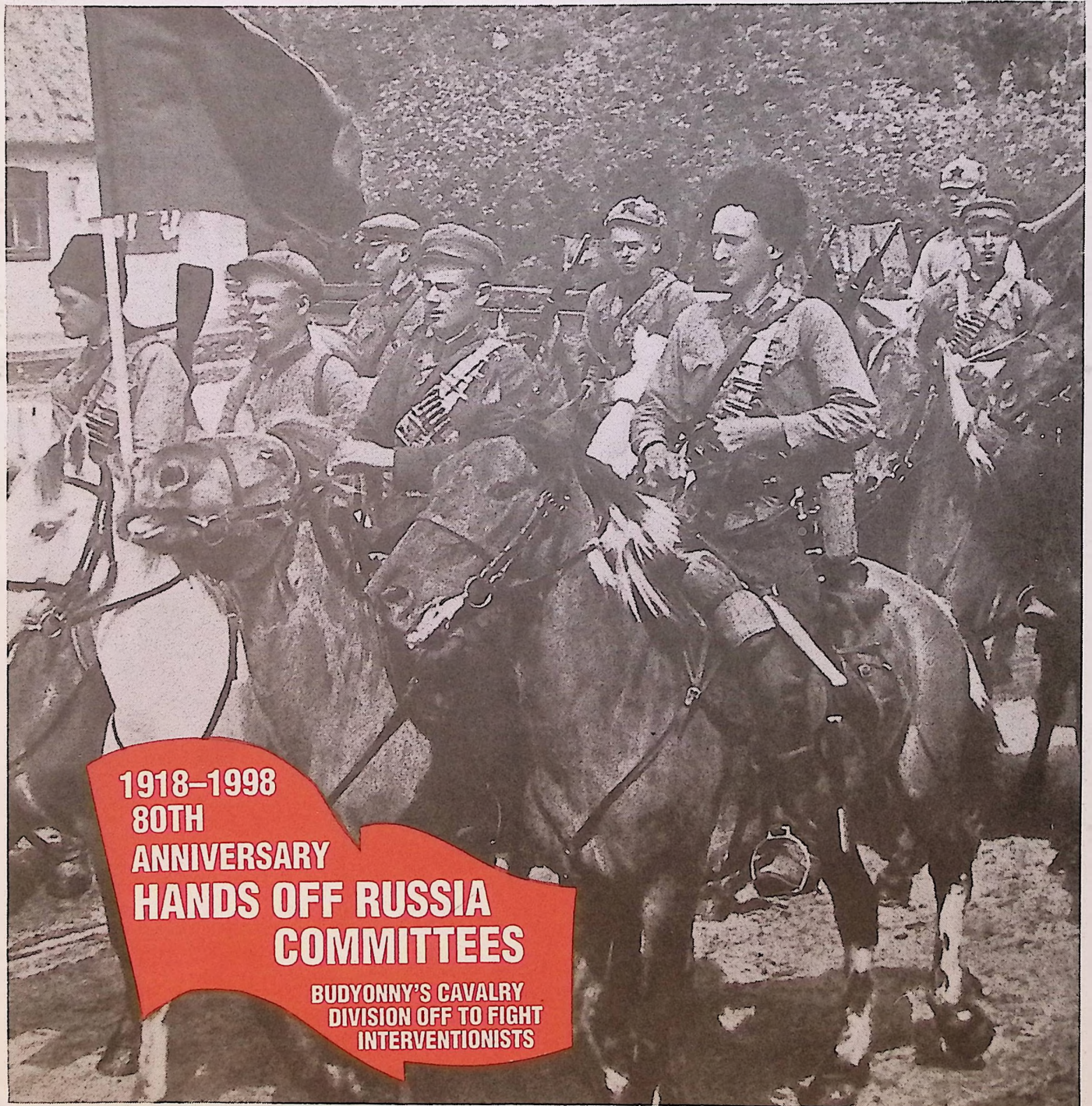


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## EDITORIAL

ON THE 80TH ANNIVERSARY

**“HANDS OFF  
RUSSIA ...”**

**“HANDS OFF ALL  
HUMANITY, AND  
OUR WORLD!”**

By: Ray Stevenson

The eightieth anniversary of the first “Hands Off Russia Committees” that sprang to life at that time (1918 – 1920) in support of the heroic working class and people of Russia, and their Bolshevik Communist Party led by Lenin, is a time to re-assess the past and examine in as much detail as we can where we



stand today in this era of rampant, brutal and mindless pillaging of our world by monopoly capitalism’s “Transnational Corporations” ... the TNC’s.

With their wanton and totally reckless pillaging, going hand-in-hand, there is the emergence of new, immediate and fast growing crisis and dangers to our species. This reflects not only the looming ecological dangers, we do not yet

fully comprehend, but with earth-warming, melting ice-caps, these appear ever more menacing. But just as importantly at risk are rights and freedoms of individuals and societies within the biosphere we call “Mother Earth”. The unanswered question stares us in the face – how long will this “Mother” of life remain a habitable home for life as we know it, given the unrestricted TNC power to destroy and render it uninhabitable?

The essential human quality of the ability to think, to create, to dream and plan for the unknown future and live in growing harmony, wherever we may inhabit our little “space ship”, likewise confronts new crisis and universal danger.

Not least in the listing of humanities “endangered” heritages are the communal, co-operative instincts and behavior we as humans have fought to develop and cherish as our social law of life ... the law of individual security and development within the vast collective we call humanity. It is no accident or mere happenstance that the powers that now control economic, political and social life on our planet, target directly all communications, educational activity and development and knowledge and wisdom in the society in order to erase our social consciousness. Microsoft et al., and the monopoly control of public information and knowledge, plus vicious economic plundering of the most valuable and irreplaceable resources in our world, go hand-in-hand. Obfuscation, smokescreening, lies of the stature of Herr Goebbels ... and even more ... all these are the poisoned menu daily fed to the people.

Side by side with that, economic, political and military plundering and murderous assaults on the people; unlimited violence openly

waged against and upon the people can be seen everywhere.

It is well then that we should meet in this International Conference ‘98 to celebrate the 5th anniversary of what was originally conceived as a “tiny ray of light in the Imperialist dungeons” that we named “Northstar Compass”. Our task now is to find the means of vastly expanding that “tiny ray” to become an implacable searchlight to seek out and expose the horrendous, awful and vicious assaults on the people wherever they may occur, and in whatever guise.

In particular, this relates to the peoples of the former Soviet Union today groaning under damnable results of a primitive capitalism thrust on them by external assaults by the neo-Imperialist monopolies and internal treachery and subversion. Let it be recorded here that for 74 years, at immeasurable cost, the Soviet people gave unswerving support and defence to the new political, economic, social and cultural society and system they had erected under the leadership and guidance of Lenin and the Communist Party (Bolsheviks) in what they called the UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLICS. The downfall of that system outstrips every other tragedy of human history in tragic results, not ONLY for the Soviet peoples, BUT FOR ALL HUMANITY.

That is true because at the end of the 74 years of the Herculean, sacrificial efforts to engage all society with the promise and future that lay within the Leninist, Marxist concept of co-operative public ownership of the resources and means of production in a SOCIALIST society without class exploitation had been temporarily swallowed in the maw of historical development. The gleaming and unlimited futures of development and fulfillment for the



individual within the security of an ever developing collective has now been replaced by rampant, primitive, often vicious competition and assaults. With that, inevitably goes the destruction of human personality and civilized being and the domination of the monopoly capitalist TNC's in what, unchecked, could well be a new and prolonged "Dark Ages".

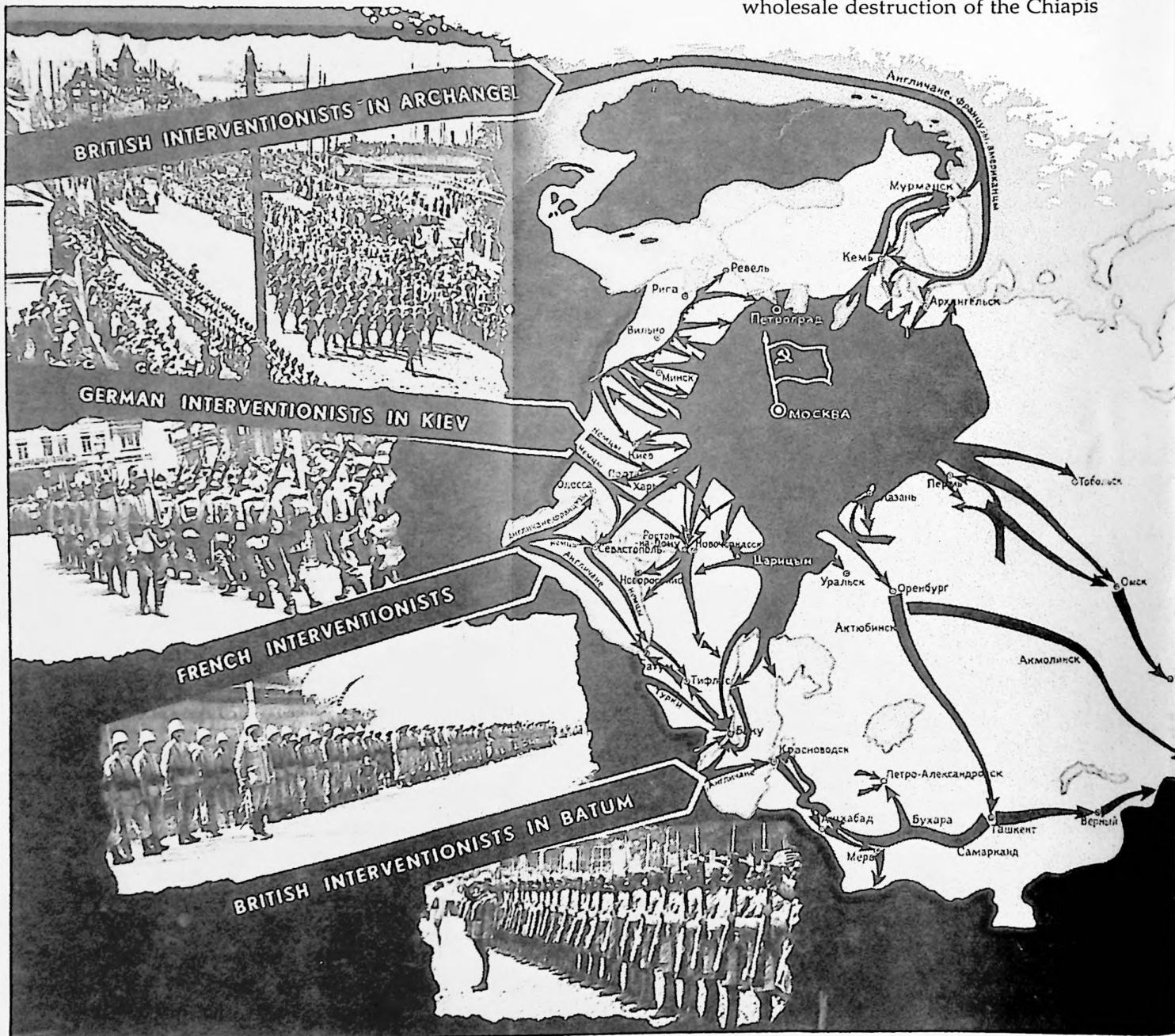
In 1991 when the final chapters of this debacle and tragedy took place and murderous deadly assaults on the people of the Soviet Union began (including in October 1993 the use of

artillery bombardment to once and for all destroy the very centre of the Soviet power, the Supreme Soviet) the neo-Imperialists now felt assured that any future possible re-emergence of Socialism was dead and that in the capitalist Imperialist world, the 74 year threat of working class power and the building of new societies in those lands was likewise extinct.

That was the long awaited signal for the predators, worldwide, to embark on whatever measures they saw fit against their own people, including the withdrawal and

destruction of their vaunted "welfare state". Unprecedented attacks on standards of life IN EVERY SPHERE now confront all peoples, as the TNC's and their political hirelings and stooges cavort in the macabre "sunshine" of their unchallenged (they believe) world. Of course, "whom the Gods would destroy, they first make mad" ...

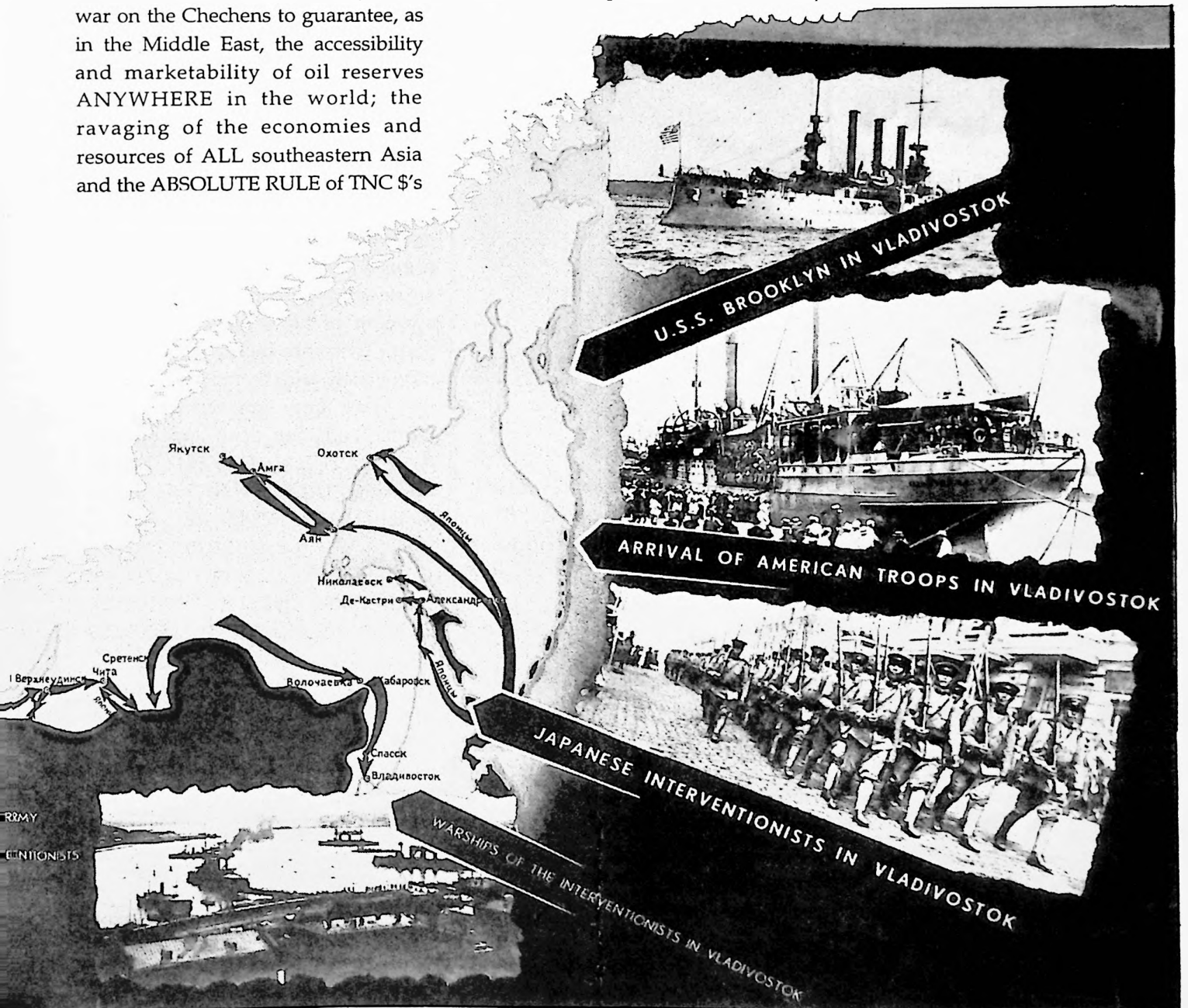
But unchecked, as Northstar Compass has repeatedly said, the TNC predators have unleashed their suicidal plans and programs everywhere ... as even recent events show. Whether this is by attempted wholesale destruction of the Chiapis



of Mexico; the theft, piracy and seizure of ancient and finely tuned agricultural programs (including the seeds) of farmers in India; wholesale attacks and "privatizing" efforts against education and students, and health care, against the entire population in Ontario and Canada; the destruction of the life-giving, vast "oxygen pumps" and medical treasures of the Amazon Forest together with the destruction of the people there ... and elsewhere; the rape and plunder of ALL oil and mineral resources of the Soviet Union's former territories a ghastly war on the Chechens to guarantee, as in the Middle East, the accessibility and marketability of oil reserves ANYWHERE in the world; the ravaging of the economies and resources of ALL southeastern Asia and the ABSOLUTE RULE of TNC's

(mostly U.S.A.) through the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the World Trade Organization; UTILIZATION ON A WORLD WIDE SCALE OF DRUGS AND NARCOTICS, to de-energize politically and corrupt THE YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE ENTIRE WORLD; or WAR by every conceivable means and method (nuclear, chemical, psychological, diplomatic, germicidal or otherwise) ... all of these and more too numerous to mention here ... are the instruments at the beck and call of the TNC's to "protect their vital

interests" ... wherever they perceive them to be. In 1979, the U.S. President issued Presidential Directive #59 that set out "U.S. vital interests" to be anywhere on the globe that they alone would decide. He of course meant the "vital (read) 'profit making and power' of the TNC's." It is all designed and in place to protect and extend these so-called "vital interests" to continue the plunder and 300 year old rape of Africa, and all the colonial holdings of former years as well as to keep the working class and people of their "home" countries, docile and obedient. Not



to be overlooked is the growing and largely concealed new "bio-technology" to control growth and development, together with mostly obscure efforts to develop genetic engineering (remember "Dolly" the sheep). Both of these carry the promise of "profit making" AND new powers over life.

The listing of suicidal and anti-human species experimentation and TNC controlled assaults is still largely hidden and extends to the outer limits at which "scientific" technology, coupled with economic, political, ideological and military abilities, can take the monopolists. Depravity, corruption, misinformation (and deliberately planted disinformation), and increasingly, gutter vulgarities in broadcast and "cultural" life, that includes unheard of despoiling of sexual life, to say nothing of violence, murder and mayhem on a mass scale ... for child and adult alike ... all this has become daily fare. There are no limitations of social decency, or even truthful depiction of life, when the systemic mindless demands of suicidal competition for money or profits are at stake. "Money" stands second only to political and social power, secured by military or violent means when it comes to slaking the insatiable appetites of the interchangeable interests of monopoly capitalism's end of the century behavior and activity. That is the inner law and "way of life" for the TNC's and their lackeys.

Everything best in human achievement is expendable ... including human life itself. Culture, education or social being between human beings is fair game before the juggernaut of Neo-Imperialism. Competition without regard to human effects or results is the "name of the game" for the monopolists and they seek to hog-tie all humanity to the edicts of their falsely named

"free market system".

That is a fair description of "neo-liberalism" so dear to the hearts of the neo-conservatives and "Born Again" fascists. It was this that Pope John Paul inveighed against so sharply in Cuba recently.

Before the entire world (although the U.S. media preferred to report ad nauseum on the alleged sexual peccadillos of their 55 year old president with some young female in his proximity, and slavered over it for endless days and nights) the highest authority of the Catholic Church said: "Various places are witnessing the resurgence of certain neo-liberalism that subordinates the human person to blind market forces. In the international community, we thus see a small number of countries growing exceedingly rich at the cost of increasing impoverishment of a greater number of other countries: as a result, the wealthy grow ever wealthier, while the poor grow ever poorer..."

Obviously, the Pontiff was responding to the agonies of people held to ransom and death by the TNC's and their lackeys. Who else but the U.S. based TNC's could he have meant? While we here will generally know that Lenin said these same things almost a hundred years ago, we should welcome such a Papal denunciation regardless of old and basic differences and disagreements. We might observe that Lenin himself, were he able, would be bemused that his thoughts on Imperialism had found such a world figure's approval and declamation.

The political handmaidens and apologists for the TNC's, Clinton, Blair, Kohl, Yeltsin, Chretien (or whoever) would have us believe, and constantly try to drum into our heads the "Big Lie" notion that their master's "free market economy" is

the height and essence of "freedom and democracy". In the TNC's (as in God) we must place our "total, unremitting TRUST". But that is a hoax so monstrous, and a lie so BIG, that wherever the Devil consigned Goebbels, of "Big Lie" and genocidal infamy to shovel coal forever at "no pay", he must be rolling around at a great rate ... perhaps more lively than the miners of Vorkuta, or other workers of Russia now consigned to work endlessly "without pay" by Yeltsin and his cohorts.

### **OTHER WEAPONS IN THE TNC ARSENAL ...**

Not to be overlooked in the arsenal of anti-working class, anti-people and ultimately anti-LIFE weaponry of the TNC's are the "pig-in-a-poke" tools of genetic engineering and biotechnology, as well as the ancient "devil's brew" of anti-human poisons of racism and bigotry and the divisions such create among peoples where grows a welter of blind competition and fear. These are the nauseous fields of division and hatred deliberately spawned between workers and people and they deny and prevent THE NATURAL DEVELOPMENT OF A SOCIAL LAW, BASED UPON AND INHERENT IN RELATIONS OF WARM FRIENDSHIP, CO-OPERATION AND MUTUAL CONCERN. INEVITABLY, THESE DO STRENGTHEN AND EMPOWER THE PEOPLE.

"Divide and rule" is the law of every corporate and governmental authority and scoundrel who seeks to turn the people into helpless chattels, slaves and pawns. That is hardly a new idea. For example in 1886, just a hundred year past, Jay Gould, a top Railway magnate in the U.S.A. expressed it this way: "I can hire one half of the working class to kill the other half." So, we see that before and since, from

Chicago gangster Capone, who said he would "free the working class from the terrors of Bolshevism" to Hitler, Mussolini, Hirohito, Kohl, Blair, Nixon, Bush, Kissinger, Clinton, Adenauer ... not to mention the "grade B" sycophant (who surely could read his lines well) Ronald Reagan ... each of these and many more have parroted the vicious lie and garbage of "anti-communism", race hatred, prejudice and the very dubious idea of how "fortunate" we all are to live under the system of exploitation of 'man by man' ... or these days, more frequently child labour, sexual abuse and war plunder and lies ... not to mention outright thievery.

**THE TNC'S NEW  
'GLOBAL REACH' ...  
I.E., "GLOBALIZATION" ...**

In the early 1970's, George Ball, Under-Secretary at the U.S. State Department, and also President of world class TNC, Lehman Brothers, said: "Working through GREAT CORPORATIONS THAT STRADDLE THE EARTH, men are able for the first time to utilize WORLD RESOURCES with an efficiency DICTATED ONLY BY THE OBJECTIVE LOGIC OF PROFIT ..." (emphasis added) About the same time, Jacques Maisoneuve, President of another world class TNC chimed in to say: "For business purposes, boundaries separating one nation from another ARE NO MORE REAL THAN THE EQUATOR ..." (added emphasis).

Even before the advent of these statements, in the early 1950's when President Mossadegh of Iran and his government were toppled by C.I.A. agents for having had the "audacity" to "nationalize" Iranian oil, at the expense of the western oil giants' control and profit, new beginnings were already afoot. The C.I.A. descriptive word

"DESTABILIZATION" was now in vogue. This C.I.A. war-method was applied thereafter in a list of countries, always on behalf of a U.S. based TNC but too lengthy here to bear enumerating, except to mention Chile, the Dominican Republic, Panama, Iraq (attempted) etc., etc. Wherever TNC "vital interests" (often concealed behind the verbiage of U.S.A. vital interests) were at stake, overt and covert means were employed to defend, enhance or simply to seize total control.



*Dr. H.A. Lowrie (1888-1990), one of the founders and initiators of the "Hands Off Russia Committee" that sprang up in Canada, from Halifax, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver.*

*The article accompanying this photo is dedicated to hundreds of people like Dr. H.A. Lowrie. May we follow in his footsteps.* □

"Globalization" begins with "destabilization" and "disempowerment" of the NATION-STATE. To breach gaps left in this ongoing process of the past forty years, and to ensure smooth-sailing on the high seas of unlimited profiteering, the anomalous creature dubbed "The Group of Seven" (or simply G-7) was created. This was

the supposedly "top-level" planning board that functioned for their unseen bosses of the now "globalized" TNC's. "Free Marketry" was the new religion that coupled with obscene and insensate competition was the guiding light for the lugubrious, profit swilling worthies. T.V. "spin doctors", obscure "savants" created for the cameras by make-up artists, were now "experts and messengers ... not to mention political figures dressed only in "eye blinkers" who reaped political TNC rewards.

Meanwhile, the destruction of the USSR and the socialist states proceeded apace, waving aloft "new thinking" (also known as counter-revolution), "perestroika" (alias disempowerment of the Soviet people), courtesy of Gorbachev, Yeltsin, Reagan, Bush, Thatcher, Mulroney, et al. Temporarily, the "new world" fitted comfortably into the greedy paws of the TNC's. Three separate and somewhat diverse sectors appeared for their plunder: European (including the now powerless fifteen Republics that were formerly the Soviet Union); the North American (including all Latin and South America and Caribbean, as well as Canada) and finally the Pacific Rim, dominated by Japan, but including Australia, south eastern Asia, India, et al. The Middle East, a "vital interest" oil patch for all TNC's, carried its own peculiar war efforts, and areas for exploitation by any force strong enough to grab the spoils.

Happily and stupidly, the G-7 gang continued to meet on call, self assured that the glories (and unlimited profits) of TNC world domination were (and are) eternal, with a future called "forever", backed by a spate of unlimited military power. BUT ABOVE ALL, THE POWER OF INTERNATIONAL FINANCE CAPITAL, THE



BANKING AND BONDHOLDERS OF WALL STREET, LONDON, ZURICH, ETC., ETC., I.E., THE B&B (banking and bondholders) CROWD WERE THE POWER SUPREME THAT SECURED THEIR WORLD.

By extending or withdrawal of credits and debt accumulating interest, these powers now dictated to countries, nation states and the governments what programs, policies, or at an extreme level, their very existence. Monumental debt held like a Sword of Damocles over the heads of peoples and governments was the order of the day ... and everybody was forced into line. It is not an exaggeration to say that almost without exception EVERY GOVERNMENT IN THE WORLD is held in thrall and must bow to the finance capital B&B crowd because of credit ratings, debt or through military threat. These hidden powers that keep a very hard throttlehold on the people and their governments so none can literally exist, let alone perform democratically, without the consent of the B&B gang of modern pirates and gangsters. Additionally, to deepen the illusionary nature of the "world economy 1998", the "whiz kids" with their mountains of speculative paper capital are turned loose with their fancy gadgetry, and "eureka", economic development has nothing to do with the application of human labour to resources and extractive and manufacturing plant (capital). It has only to do with the gang-buster gyrations of faceless, totally irresponsible to the public, creatures who crouch over their "machines of destiny" ...

That international capital has an insoluble problem because it now controls more capital than ever before, goes without saying. But the areas for investment ARE NOT INFINITE. In fact, there is every reason to say that TNC illusions of

"invest, expand and profit forever" are grinding to an ignominious, and very likely devastating, halt. The monster capital accumulations in the hands of the TNC's ALL DERIVED FROM THE EXPLOITATION OF THE CHEAPEST POSSIBLE LABOUR, AND PRIVATELY EXPROPRIATED UNDER THE HOLY OF HOLIES, CAPITALISM, instead of running free in some illusory "Free Market" are now confronted with their own creation ... OVER INVESTMENT. Globalization will not and cannot resolve their problem of a world capacity of AUTO production of 80 million units in a market demand of only 60 million units ... or any other productive sector.

Essentially, it is this over-investment and the results thereof that underlie the virtual collapse of the markets in Southeast Asia, as well as now unprecedented unemployment ... even at the low wages there ... and human misery descending on the entire area. The so-called "Free Trade" agreement foisted on the compliant Canadian and Mexican junior partners by the omniscient U.S. monopolies, to enhance their investment opportunities is not only floundering. It has become the basis of job losses, "downsizing" and developing crisis. The TNC financial giants move now is to ensure their fiscal lives by reducing the Asian and offshore U.S. difficulties to even greater dependency by "bail-outs" from the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the World Bank (W.B.) or greater restrictions against these countries through the World Trade Organization (W.T.O.). That way lies even greater control and ownership.

In Europe, the massive impetus led by Helmut Kohl and the Deutsch Banke for open investment opportunities through European

Union and the common currency, EU, has run afoul of road blocks of great difficulty and the TNC 'valhalla' of eternal and escalating profits seems mired in the deep mud of TNC competition, unprecedented and unresolvable growing unemployment as growing public resistance mounts.

The eastward thrust of NATO forces to the boundaries of Russia, similarly appears not to be exactly a solution to anything in European eyes, and at the same time, antagonizes even the IMF, WB and European Bank of Reconstruction beholden Yeltsin and his crowd of profiteers now astride the backs of the Soviet people. It should be noted that the destruction of the former Yugoslav state was preliminary to the U.S.'s TNC eastward thrust of NATO that places a potential invading, interventionist force on the former Soviet borders and at the same time, provides Wall Street and the Washington Capitol with a "watch-dog" military presence in Europe to keep a watchful eye on everything European.

But the essential socio-political problem looming before every TNC dominated government may be summed up simply by saying social unrest will grow (as recent events even in Canada illustrate). As the vaunted "immortality" of TNC globalization becomes more and more entwined in its own contradictory and systemic bankruptcies and failures, broadly based dissent and unrest will grow ON A WORLD WIDE BASIS. The "smoke and mirrors" of the capitalist system in its monopoly stage is now being replaced by the grim realities ... raising once again the obscene dangers of TNC IMPOSED DICTATORSHIP ... AND NEW FORMS (along with "old") OF FASCIST AGGRESSION.



## **STRENGTHENING OUR HERITAGE OF "HANDS OFF RUSSIA" AND INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP AND SOLIDARITY BETWEEN ALL PEOPLES**

The heritage of this conference is now eighty years old. It came to be when important sections of the international working class came to the aid of their revolutionary fellow workers and people when the monopoly Imperialists of that day sought to break forever the Proletarian Bolshevik Revolution. Throughout all the years that bond has been maintained and still exists today, even though in new forms. When German Nazism, Italian Fascism and Japanese Imperial expansionism surged onto the world stage in the 1930's, and the evil slogan proclaimed by Hitler AND his western backers of monopoly Imperialism of "Drang Nach Osten" (March to the East) precisely for the purpose of destroying the Soviet Union and Socialism, once again on a world wide scale the answer rang out. In 1935, at a world Conference of Communist and Workers Parties called by the Third Communist International, Georgi Dimitroff called for "THE UNITED FRONT OF THE WORKING CLASS AGAINST FASCISM AND WAR". Adopted by the Congress, this tactic was a rallying of the world wide working class to halt the march of the Nazi aggressors and to defend the future of all people, including the "Socialist Sixth" of the Soviets. It was seminal and gave rise to later "Popular Front" governments and UNITED anti-fascist fronts and activities. It is correct to say that the concept was the base later still leading to the United Allied military forces under Stalin, Roosevelt and Churchill that forced "unconditional surrender" terms on the aggressor states. At the end of that blood

drenched road, these UNITED forces erected the UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION. International friendship, solidarity, co-operation, and peace and development for ALL peoples was the order of the day and in brilliant, wondrous colors shone over all humanity. For their part, the international working class movement established for the first time ever, their own united trade union movement in the World Federation of Trade Unions ... the WFTU ... with the promise of world wide unity to come.

But the forces of division emplaced and backed by world monopoly capitalism were not finished. Utilizing the filthy canard of "anti-Communism", they now embarked on still another phase of their war to end forever Socialism and the USSR. By 1949, the U.N. was undermined by what even the Wall Street Journal called "jungle law" in the formation of a new anti-Soviet military pact, called the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO). The political "Cold War" was in full flight. The WFTU, likewise, was split and undermined

by U.S. and British trade union leaders leaving the world working class once again in opposing, apparently hostile camps. The "good neighbor" policy of Roosevelt lay in tatters. It had been an important component of the United Front that smashed the Axis aggressors. The "Cold Warriors" were on the march. At the end of their march to destroy the USSR lay success, confirmed and abetted by treachery and betrayal of the Soviet working class and people by elements within the Communist Party of the Soviet Union itself.

Today, the tasks of international solidarity, friendship and co-operation lie in the hands of a small but heroic number of people who have refused to let go the noble purposes and aims born those eighty years ago. In a real sense, we are armed ONLY WITH THE SOCIAL SCIENCES BORN AND REVEALED AND NURTURED IN THE STRUGGLES OF THE PEOPLE THEMSELVES WITH ALL THE SACRIFICES, HARDSHIPS THEY HAVE ENDURED. And in the searching, analytical and BRILLIANT WORKS OF THE MARXIST

### **WE SHOULD REMEMBER THIS HOLOCAUST!**

As time recedes and people forget the terrible results of fascism during the Second World War, and with constant propaganda as to the losses of the Allies fighting German fascism - here are the official figures of losses in humanity according to official United Nations figures.

#### **LOSSES BY COUNTRY:**

FRANCE	520,000
ITALY	400,000
GREAT BRITAIN	320,000
UNITED STATES	320,000
CZECHOSLOVAKIA	364,000
YUGOSLAVIA	1,600,000

POLAND	6,028,000
GERMANY	9,700,000
SOVIET UNION	24,000,000

The horrendous losses by Soviet Union is the Holocaust of unthinkable proportions which, through the years, is being minimized, lied about and looked upon as insignificant by reactionary forces who are determined that future generations shall not know about these sacrifices that saved humanity from the scourge of fascism!

**NOTHING IS FORGOTTEN AND NOTHING IS FORGIVEN! □**

SCHOLARS AND LEADERS, SUCH AS LENIN, ENGELS, STALIN, AND OF COURSE, KARL MARX HIMSELF. Broadly speaking, these works fall within the ambit of "SOCIAL SCIENCE", that in reality has been neglected and sidelined by events. There are reasons for that ... some of which might well be re-discovered in Engels' "Anti-Duhring" where he deals with the problems of development of new and advanced ideologies and theories under the weight of the heavy dross of the past and the existing natural hegemony in this area that lies in ruling class hands.

We quote from Doctor J.D. Bernal, the eminent and leading Marxist/scientist of Great Britain, whose monumental works included the brilliant four volume work, "Science and History" that runs to more than 1,300 pages. He states (p. 1020): "... natural sciences are primarily concerned with productive forces of society (whereas) the SOCIAL SCIENCES deal with PRODUCTIVE RELATIONS AND THE IDEOLOGICAL SUPERSTRUCTURE ... Social scientists are not yet as indispensable in the capitalist world as chemists and engineers ..." he notes rather wryly. He then suggests that ALL CLASS science is CORRUPT and notes that particularly in Britain and the Americas, "the term SCIENCE ... is reserved for natural science" and that "... in our own time (1954) there are two emerging rival systems of social science corresponding to the division between capitalism and socialism ..." (emphasis added).

Bernal is quoted here to indicate that as we confront our now massively dangerous and crisis ridden world that has been thrust upon us by the "natural" science that has given us the internal combustion engine and burning

fossil fuels, as well as Cyclon 'B', nuclear bombs, plus all manner of chemical, biological and other death dealing means up to and including total annihilation of our own species. We must never forget that ALL of this hideous anti-human equipage and the decision to use it, lies not in hands of 99.99999% of the human species. The decision making on life or death, war, chaos and total decimation and anarchy lies in the hands of a group so minuscule in size they seem hardly to be a part of the human species. BUT THE GRASP OF POWER RESIDING AMONG THEM, EVEN AS THEY PREACH THE NEW RELIGION OF COMPETITION, AVARICE AND DEATH, POSES FOR THE VAST MAJORITY THE VERY ANCIENT QUESTION: WHAT IS TO BE DONE, TODAY, NOW, TOMORROW ... IF WE SURVIVE? Is SURVIVAL now our really central human concern in the face of the depraved and essentially UNWORKABLE SOCIETY?

It says here that the immediate tackling of NEW SOCIAL SCIENCES, AND INVOLVEMENT OF THE PEOPLE IS OUR STARTING POINT. Leadership and commitment will surely arise from among the people, and first of all, from those who work, for it is they who create by labour our world. We declare that

### **ATTENTION ALL STAMP COLLECTORS!**

If your hobby or passion is stamp collecting, NSC has on hand hundreds of stamps from countries where our journal is read.

If you wish to get an assortment of stamps, we shall send them to you, of course, for a small donation towards our Dr. A.J. Thut's Sustaining Fund. □

"MOTHER EARTH BELONGS TO THE PEOPLE, AND NOT TO THE EXPLOITERS."

Northstar Compass must grow, because it holds a unique position as the journal of friendship, peace and solidarity among publications of the world. We must establish here "THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL FOR FRIENDSHIP AND SOLIDARITY WITH THE SOVIET PEOPLE", and this Council must grow on a worldwide scale, focusing on the trials and obstacles our Soviet Comrades encounter everyday in the struggle for Socialism and freedom. This Council should be led and guided by our Soviet friends and Comrades, based on their immense world experience and contributions to humanity. A special day of international solidarity and friendship should be set aside and should be celebrated everywhere in the world.

As our efforts grow and mature, special friendship councils, international in character, should be erected to assist the women, children, students and young people with the special problems of discrimination, alienation and future development, affecting them. It should be done here, but if not possible, future conferences must bring concrete plans to affect this essential activity for peace, friendship and solidarity. It is among these that new leadership, new strength will arise.

We here, poor in money and with no pretensions of grandeur, dedicate ourselves to the nurturing and growth of the unconquerable spirit of solidarity between the peoples that gave first birth to the historic "Hands Off Russia" Committees. That is our most precious legacy, and we vow to hand it on to new, stronger generations. Our first lessons of fraternity, of comradeship, of sisterhood, of



friendship and mutual concern and assistance, were born from the vicious counter-revolutionary attacks on the leading forces of humanity in Russia, eighty years ago. We propose here, in this paper, that in our cities, towns and hamlets, on land and at sea, a rebirth of those noble and honourable traditions.

That is why we say, as did Litvinoff years ago, before the League of Nations, "Peace is indivisible". We add, "friendship and solidarity is our constant guide and leading light". So we say once again, "HANDS OFF RUSSIA; HANDS OFF THE WORKING PEOPLE; HANDS OFF ALL HUMANITY AND OUR WORLD"; for, we too, are indivisible in our struggle for life and the future of a new world the people will build.

#### DEAR READERS:

*We are asking all of our readers in 62 countries where there are friends of Soviet people, communist parties, progressive mass movements to celebrate this important Anniversary in whatever way possible.*

*People must realize that our parents and grandparents in many countries of the world understood that only SOLIDARITY WITH SOVIET PEOPLE during those dangerous times could slow down and eventually stop the intervention by foreign armies that invaded the young Soviet state.*

*During the present time, Imperialism is advancing ever closer to the borders of former USSR and their plans are obvious to all that they shall not be satisfied until Russia and other former Soviet Republics are broken up into tiny fiefdoms and be at the mercy of Transnational Corporations and U.S. Imperialism!*

*We must do what the "Hands Off Russia Committees" in many countries did before. Organize, protest, demand, hold pickets, rallies and meetings to inform the working people about this important Anniversary.*

*We're hoping that we shall receive information for NSC to inform our readers as to where these events shall take place.*

**HANDS OFF RUSSIA NOW!  
HANDS OFF SOVIET PEOPLE! □**



Dear comrades and friends,

Every month we send out letters of notice to those people whose subscription has ended to remind them of this fact and to encourage them to renew their subscription.

In the past, we have allowed ourselves the luxury of sending out future issues for many many months until people renewed.

As you are all aware, NSC is under severe resource pressure. We can no longer maintain that practice. We have, therefore, decided to send notices and issues to those whose subscriptions have ended for only three months. We think that that is a reasonable amount of time for those readers to decide on whether or not to renew their commitment to the journal.

We apologize to those who for some reason or another required more than three months. We ask for your understanding.

If for some reason or another it does take you longer than three months to renew your subscription, we will just put you back on the mailing list when you renew.

In Solidarity,  
Redmond Guerrero  
Circulation Manager □



**GET YOUR FRIENDS  
TO SUBSCRIBE TO  
NORTHSTAR COMPASS!**

## **I CANNOT BELIEVE MY EARS!**

Working in the offices of "Northstar Compass", the Canadian Friends of Soviet People plus the newly elected Organizing Committee for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People, many people visit to talk, subscribe to NSC and in many instances to argue and even make threats!

Among many visitors there are more and more immigrants from former the Soviet Union. Most of them are young to middle aged and all are with university education and profession, according to our discussions.

How do these people act or react when they see the decor and feeling of Socialism, USSR, Lenin, Stalin, Friendship and thousands of Soviet books and posters on display?

I can characterize them according to the following categories:

- INQUISITIVE AND BEWILDERED
- RESENTFUL AND DOWNRIGHT ANTAGONISTIC
- GENUINE AMAZEMENT THAT THEY STEPPED INTO "SOVIET UNION ERA"
- VICIOUS ENEMIES OF ALL THAT WAS SOVIET
- PROVOCATEURS IN THE REAL MEANING OF THIS WORD
- GENUINELY DISAPPOINTED WITH "CAPITALIST PROMISES"
- LONELY BUT CANNOT ADMIT THAT THEY WERE HOODWINKED
- BORN AGAIN CHRISTIANS WITH MULTIPLE CROSSES ON THEIR CHESTS

I would venture to say that about 90% of them are looking for work and thought that we could employ them. Some are still full of "ingrained hate" for everything Soviet, although you can see in their eyes that this is a facade. After spending close to 1-2 years trying to land a job in their field, they are ashamed to admit to themselves that they were duped by promises.

One or two visitors stick in my mind. One of them, a woman 26 years young who was a self-admitted former Komosol member was wearing three huge crosses that dangled and jingled on her chest. Afraid to leave her name for fear of what her parents would say, she was looking admiringly at the Soviet

books on the book shelves.

She and others somewhat always seems to say that "My parents were in Stalin's Gulag!" Somehow it seems that every one was in the "Gulag!" Is this their way to justify themselves in the eyes of others that they left their country and just do not give a damn about the people and their history?

Another interesting point is that they're afraid to come and help in any work such as translations of former Soviet people. Why?

The sad part is that these young people after 1953 were completely demoralized, fed anti-Soviet and anti-Stalin propaganda to such an extent that they're afraid, even though

they are highly educated persons, to even touch the books dealing with Stalin, Lenin or any Soviet history!

If some efforts are not made to try and save some of these "lost souls" then the reactionary forces in Canada, amongst them the outright enemies of Russia, reactionaries, nationalists, Zionists and others of their ilk will eventually get to them.

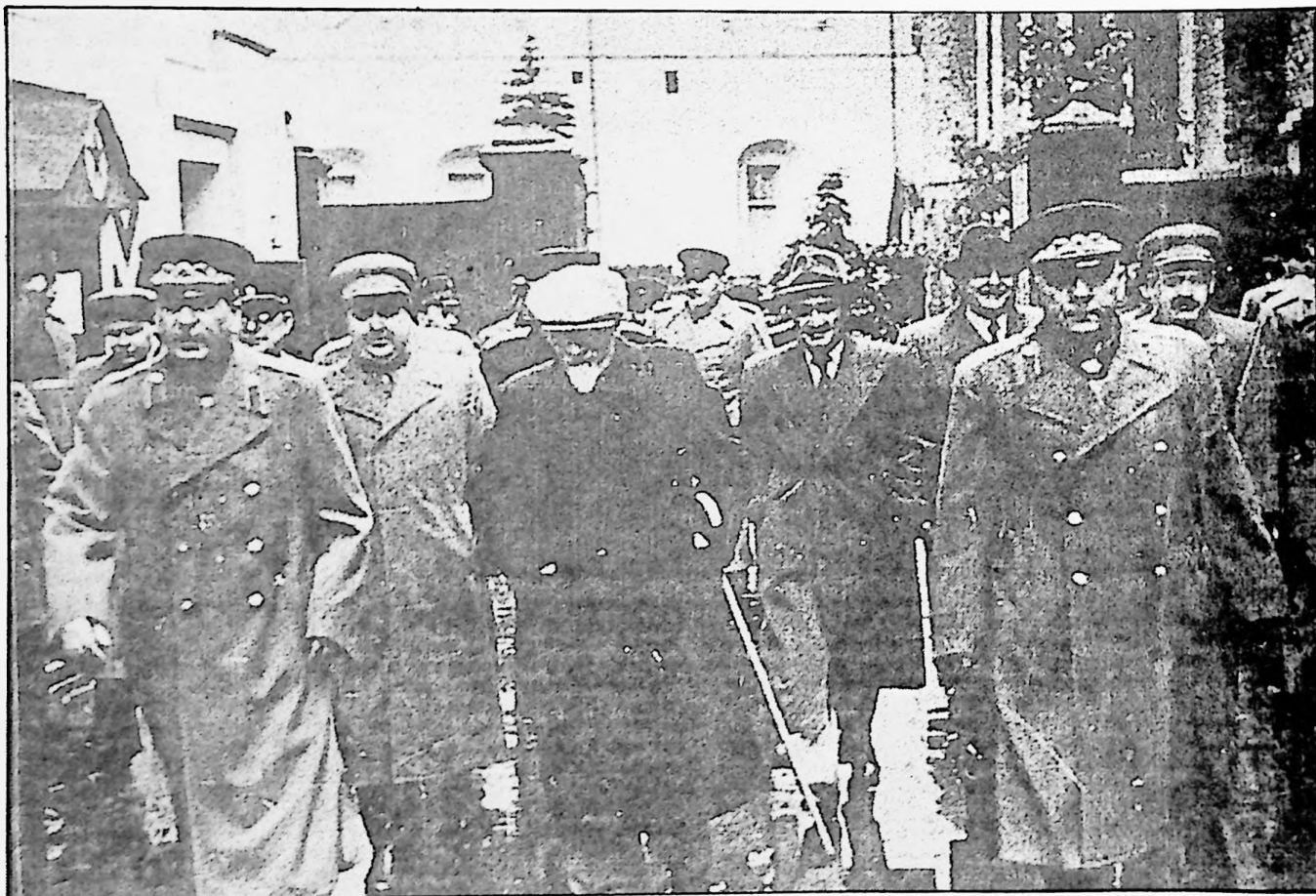
This is something that the patriotic, peoples and communist movements and their press in former USSR should ponder and try to save these souls who are perfect pickings for anti-Sovietism.

Editor of NSC

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*DEAR READER: We republish this picture because the April issue which had this photo was poorly reprinted by our printer. The photo you see was never before published in Canada. It shows the leadership of USSR before the Victory Parade in Red Square in 1945. Here, you see J.V. Stalin, Malenkov, Kalinin, Mikoyan plus Marshals and Generals going onto the Lenin Mausoleum to review the Victory Parade in Moscow. Marshal Zhukov of course is on the Red Square on his prancing white stallion, ready to lead the glorious Victory Parade!*

□





## NEWS DIGEST COMMENT

### RITUALISTIC CANNIBALISM IN YELTSIN'S RUSSIA

*The most shocking, disgusting, immoral, and incomprehensible event took place in a Moscow Art Gallery in April of this year that even shook anti-communists and anti-Sovieteers in the West to their roots!*

*In an article entitled "Death in Bad Taste" with the above photograph in colour, "Time magazine" of April 13, 1998 shows Lenin being cut up in pieces (as a cake) and eaten by the visi-*

*tors to this Art Gallery at an event which was promoted as an "Eat a slice of Lenin" event!*

"The Moscow Art Gallery which was formerly the Lenin Museum on Red Square saw a gathering of the newly rich feast on a cake made to look like V.I. Lenin lying in his Red Square Mausoleum. The cake, made up of 80 kg of biscuits, cream, chocolate icing and 200 sugar roses, was created by artists Yuri Shabeknikov and Yuri Fasenko. They declared that it was not a political action, just an artistic statement."

Even the anti-Soviet "Russian Telegraph" newspaper criticized it as a joke that looks bad whichever way you look at it! The article ended with the statement that "the gallery visitors said that the cake tasted pretty good."

*Can anyone imagine a macabre event like this happening in any other country? Even dur-*

*ing the middle of the dark ages this event would have produced an outcry and dire consequences!*

*What kind of immoral, twisted and sick imagination would come up with such a gross event? Can you imagine this happening in the USA with a cake made to look like George Washington? The Americans would be in revolt. Can one even visualize this twisted logic as "art" being allowed to happen in a civilized country?*

*It is devastating to comprehend that the Russian Orthodox Church with its numerous "batiushkas" preaching "righteousness and the evil of sin" not even raising a voice to condemn this act? What about the "communist opposition" in the Russian Duma not censuring this incomprehensible act in Parliament and proposing action to put the perpetrators of this event on trial. What about Pope John Paul who is eager to travel the earth to convert humanity to his way of "peace and*



understanding" not saying a word about this "sacrilegious" action as a Pontiff of the Roman Catholic Church?

Who are these people that did this? Who are these people that came to "eat a slice of Lenin"? Where was their sense of history, humanity, due regard for the millions of people all over the world who cherish,

love and follow the brilliant teachings of V.I.Lenin?

But above all, where is the working class of the former Soviet Union and the progressive forces of the world ... where are their voices of condemnation?

We must agree with the Editor of the "Russian Telegraph", Alexander Sokolyanski when he wrote that the attempt to be

shocking did not work: "The joke looks bad in whatever way you look at it and ritualistically it is like cannibalism."! □

*How would these "Men of God" wearing crucifixes, crosses and preaching love for mankind react if after the death of the leader of their Church Alexyi II, he was cannibalized in cake form? What is the use of pretending to be in the service of God when these supporters of Yeltsin's regime pretend and preach to their flock that it is "God's wish" and urge their flocks to pray and all will be well, while they are overfed, overclothed, over indulged in the largess of the present Yeltsin mafiosi-run regime?*



**THEIR ACT OF NOT CONDEMNING THE "LENIN CAKE" IS SACRILEGIOUS!**

## **NORTHSTAR COMPASS WEBSITE PRODUCING RESULTS!**

Our Internet page "WWW.NORTHSTARCOMPASS.ORG" is starting to produce interest from many countries and NSC thanks our member of the Editorial Board, George Gruenthal of New York, USA for taking care of our "page" with interesting materials gathered from each is of NSC.

Below, we publish just a few letters of many received through Internet from New Zealand and former Soviet Union.

Congratulations on a good start. I read the articles with interest, particularly on the "Grunting" of pigs. It seems that the way was paved many years ago for this total capitalist restoration. Whatever happened to the class consciousness and proletarian democracy which should have maintained a renewal of revolutionary leadership as representatives of (and not an authority over) the working class?

Revolutionary Marxists do not recognize that the working masses are blind fools, simply manipulated

by the ruling class. If the proletariat in the Soviet Union became disillusioned with their "own" state power, to the point of failing to defend their class interests, then it falls to all those with an enquiring mind and an interest in furthering the communist revolution to make that issue one of central importance.

Is the proletariat organically capable of holding state power? If so, then what went wrong in the USSR, as elsewhere? If not, then isn't the communist revolution a mere shibboleth?



I write from New Zealand where there has never been other than a capitalist state. In this global new right environment, the working class here has also ceded much in the way of conditions and organizational strength, to the enemy. Globally, ways must be found to regroup our class forces in a way that can ensure the defeat of the bourgeoisie next time around.

Keep up the site. May I suggest simple graphics? What's wrong with a hammer and sickle as the only emblem? Some progressive websites are pretty "up market" with their logos, etc. While extra time is consumed in downloading those pictures, they don't necessarily add much to the sites.

On the other hand, current photos of workers' class struggles are always relevant, and worth the waiting time.

- In solidarity with all  
class-conscious proletarians,  
Jim Gladwin jimg@pl.net □

## A MOLE INSIDE WARSAW PACT COMES OUT OF HIDING!

Take a good look at this picture! Take another good look at that small figure of a spy being escorted by the tall goons with machine guns on the ready, surrounding this traitor to his country, his comrades and a Judas to humanity! Actually, we found out that there were 6 guards with machine guns guarding this fugitive from his own people.

How many such CIA agents (moles) were inside the Warsaw Pact countries, COMECON, Communist and Workers Parties in all of the former Socialist countries? Maybe in the thousands!

Can you imagine the sabotage, misinformation, hardships, accusations against honest, dedicated



## SPY COMES IN FROM THE COLD

Bodyguards surround former CIA spy Ryszard Kuklinski

communists and patriots that these quislings perpetrated?

Take another look at these CIA goons! Just put a swastika on their sleeves and there would be no difference between them and the Nazis!

Yes, unfortunately after 1953, the "socialist countries" were not guided by what Lenin taught: "Criticism, self criticism, and vigilance"!

It is sometimes disturbing to hear from well meaning people who are for socialism and who want to resurrect the Soviet Union, telling people that: "We should not try to tell our comrades or even suggest what we feel could be done - after all, we're mixing into the internal affairs of another party or movement ..."

In the meantime, the enemy goes on forcing this or that country to do

its bidding, tells or buys off this party or that movement with dollars to disunite the forces for their own gain!

We feel that all of us have a responsibility for each other's actions, because it no longer can be isolated because it has repercussions against everyone.

If some of the former communists in power in USSR, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Germany, Albania, Rumania and Yugoslavia were more vigilant and more dedicated to socialism and the socialist community, then such small Judases as Ryszard Kuklinski would never have been able to be a CIA plant and for 17 LONG YEARS PASSING ON SECRETS FROM WARSAW PACT COUNTRIES TO THE CIA!

And yet, unfortunately, there are, to this day, "Communists, Marxists" who state that the socialist system fell apart only because of its own internal contradictions!

Yes, take a look at traitor Kuklinski ... how many thousands were doing the same as he was doing? □

## RUBIKS: AN ANGEL OR A STORMY PETREL?

In a very informative article in the newspaper "Molniya", Victor Anpilov analyzes the "turn around" of Alfred Rubiks, formerly First Secretary of Latvian CPSU who was jailed for 6 years by the present reactionary-nationalistic regime of Latvia!

All communists and progressives all over the world demanded his release from jail, including protests sent by Northstar Compass and Canadian Friends of Soviet People.

After being let out of jail, he visited Moscow for only two days, met with representatives of the regime plus lengthy meeting with Zyuganov of the CPRF and he completely turned 360%, denounced the Dictatorship of the Proletariat; attacked the communists who are struggling with protests, marches, strikes, demonstrations and stated that the "only way is through parliamentary means" and emphasized that absolutely there is no need for unity of the communists or of one Communist Party!

He accused Victor Anpilov and the March On Moscow as a provocation that should not be supported, plus other slogans that are part and parcel of Zyuganovs policy which in actual fact props up the Yeltsin regime!

Natural question is to ask: "How is it possible for a person to be jailed 6 years in Latvia, and thanks to all the people that demonstrated for

his release, including hunger strikes, now that he's free, he turns on these people and says that they are provocateurs?"

The answer is very logical. It's not the first time in history that people like Rubiks, after being set free, turn their backs on their supporters, having been promised something that they could not refuse. Another example is Mandela, who, for nearly twenty years, was in jail, gets free, becomes President of South Africa, but absolutely does not want to replace capitalism with socialism as he vowed to do from his jail cell. He, it seems, always believed in capitalism, but was against white bourgeoisie ruling over the Blacks. Now, he is very happy to have Black capitalist class ruling over blacks and whites.

History is full of traitors, sell out chameleons, but their days are numbered because people learn very quickly to distinguish who is who! □

## HOW CAPITALISM WORKS! (In case you did not know already)

*In a newspaper article in NOW magazine, published in Toronto, Canada, here are some very revealing tidbits that you might not know about as you send in your Income Tax to the Canadian government as a good citizen!*

"In this era of governments crying the blues, empty coffers evaporating social services, cutbacks

## HOW TRUE!

"Yeltsin seems to have existed, and still exists, in two worlds: real and make-believe world. In the make-believe world, he is the President of Great Russia."

– Alexei Pushkov  
Russian columnist □

– at a time when the average worker in Canada pays 43% of his pay to taxes, corporate businesses, multinational corporations with plants in Canada are getting away with murder through the special loopholes.

More than 90,000 Canadian (USA) corporations did not pay a cent in taxes in 1997 or in 1996. But these corporate bosses raked in more than \$18.5 trillion in profits.

Here are the top 5 Tax Avoiders of the more than 90,000 corporations and how much they owe in deferred taxes ... but the Canadian government of course turns a blind eye to this robbery!

- SEAGRAM – \$2.46 U.S. billion.
- BELL CANADA – \$2.13 billion as of 1996.
- BCE INC. – \$2.05 billion as of 1996.
- CANADIAN PACIFIC – \$1.38 billion as of 1996.
- NORANDA INC. – \$1.15 billion as of 1996.

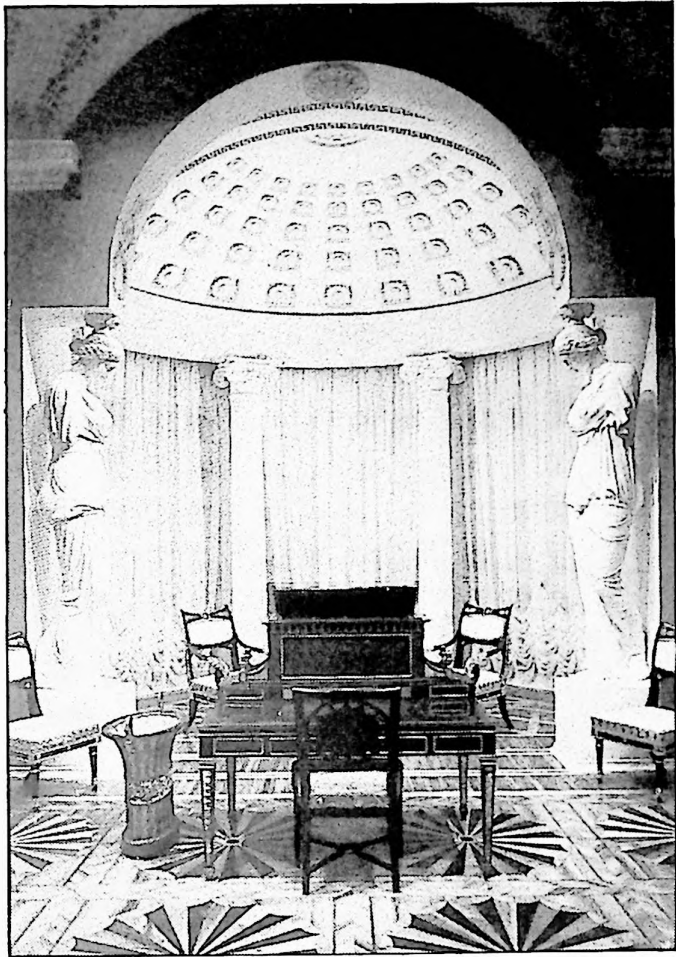
Source: Ontario Federation of Labour and the Ontario Coalition for Social Justice.

*There is no need for comment at all. Why is it that the Social Democrats (NDP) in Parliament do not make this an election issue?* □

## EVERYTHING IS FOR SALE IN YELTSIN'S RUSSIA ... INCLUDING HISTORICAL TREASURES!

We believe that not too many readers of Northstar Compass or, as a matter of fact, people in general, get to read the magazine "Architectural Digest" published in the USA. Yet, this magazine, devoted to architecture, decoration and design, came across the desk of the Editorial Board of NSC. And what did we see?

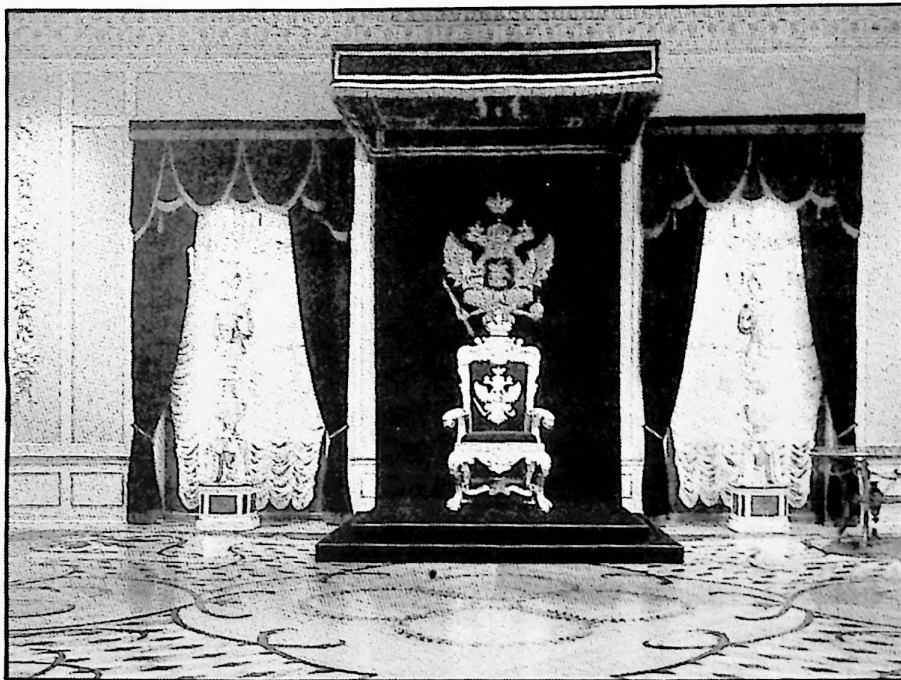




The splendors of old Russia can be viewed at the "Palaces of St. Petersburg: Russian Imperial Style" exhibition at the Mississippi Arts Pavilion in Jackson. ABOVE AND ABOVE RIGHT: Pavlovsk Palace's Lantern Study has been re-created.

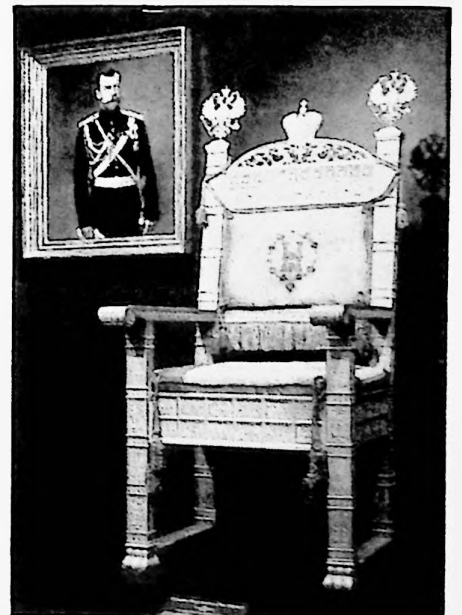
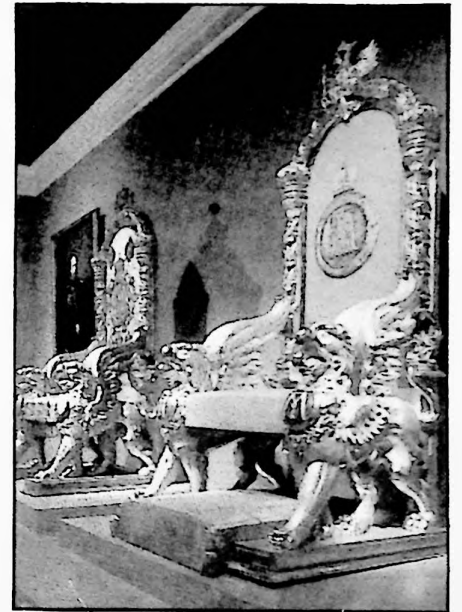
Under the heading of "St. Petersburg Via Mississippi", there appear a story and colour photographs that should shock the Soviet people in general and history lovers in particular. The subtitle states: "INSIDE A LANDMARK EXHIBIT OF RUSSIAN IMPERIAL STYLE".

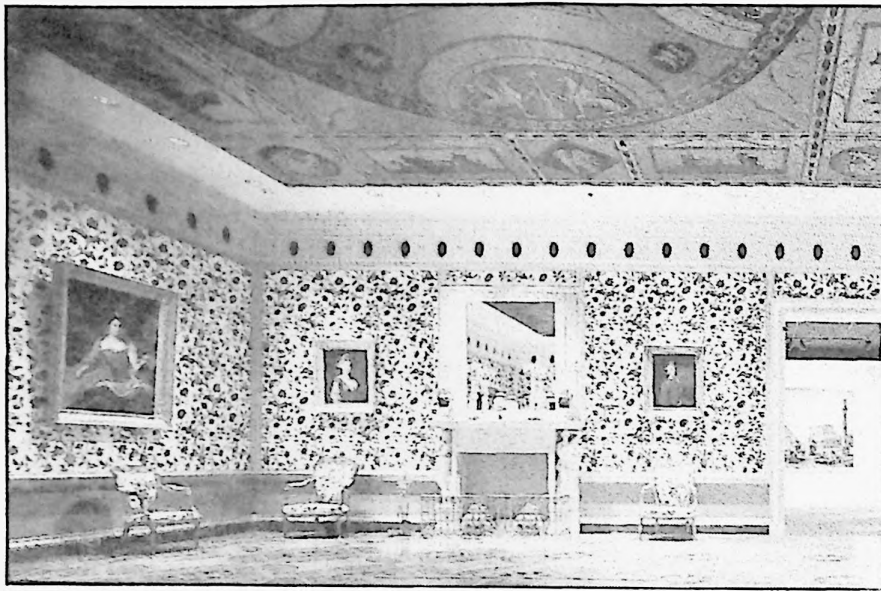
It seems that Jack L. Kyle who heads the Mississippi Commission for International Cultural Exchange is the person who went to Russia in 1994, spending several months in wheeling and dealing with present traitors and was able to pay off the



Top: The Throne Room of Paul I at Gatchina Palace was originally designed by Italian architect Vincenzo Brenna and built in 1797.

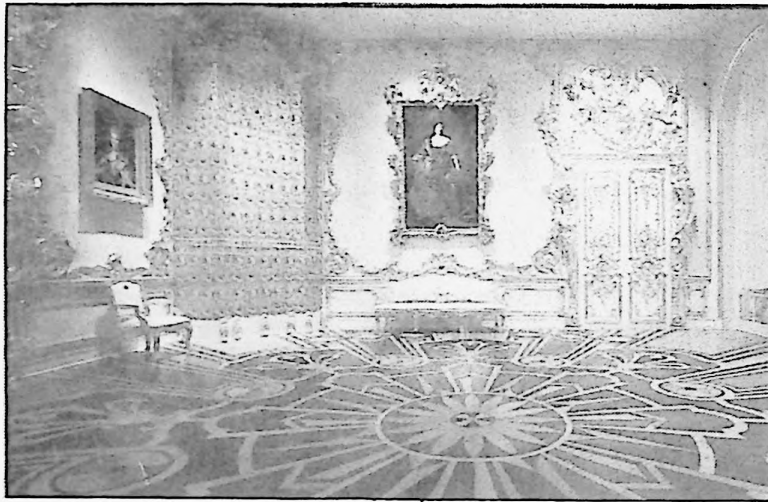
Above: Painstakingly applied gold leaf adds luster to the exuberant ornamentation throughout the room.





LEFT: Elaborate Baroque decoration distinguishes Catherine Palace's Portrait Hall, which was laid out by Bartolomeo Rastrelli for Empress Elizabeth. Parquetry masters from the palace reconstructed the floor.

LEFT: Scottish architect Charles Cameron created the Blue Formal Drawing Room at Catherine Palace for Grand Duke Paul. BELOW: Craftsmen from Catherine Palace collaborated on the exhibition.



Directors of Peterhof, Catherine, Gatchina and Pavlovsk Palaces which were painstakingly preserved by the Soviet Government ... and brought all those irreplaceable treasures of Russian-Soviet history to the USA and build exact replicas of some of the famous rooms in a Museum in Jackson, Mississippi!

**MORE THAN 600 ARTIFACTS, FURNITURE, PAINTINGS, TAPESTRIES, CLOCKS AND CANDELABRA, AS WELL AS GILT THRONES OF MARIA FYODOROVNA, NICHOLAS II, ALEXANDER III AND PAUL I WERE SHIPPED TO THE USA!**

Some of these items (according to this article) were not seen since 1917, after the Revolution, they

were hidden away until the break up of the Soviet Union.

Peterhof Museum Director Znamenev saw that all these 600 items were shipped to Jackson, Mississippi.

COMMENT:

*There is more to this rape of Russian-Soviet treasures of history than meets the eye. What is the idea behind this export of historical treasures that each civilized country guards for posterity and its future generations? As the saying goes: "You must know the past in order to go into the future".*

*Besides complete disregard for history, besides the greedy unscrupulous selling off of these items for American dollars ... there is a definite plan not only to completely dismember the former*

*Soviet Union as an entity, but at the same time, to try and dismember its history and its actual historical identity. There is also the question of USA tycoon looking at the fabulous return on the investment, with millions of people that will flock to see the brilliant craftsmanship of Russian workers who toiled for the tsars.*

*Besides all this, the CIA, Pentagon and U.S. State Department are all behind this rape of Soviet history, using this permanent exhibit to psychologically drum into the heads of visitors that shall be coming that ONLY UNDER THE TSAR was there craftsmanship, freedom, religion, good life and all this was saved by American money from the Bolsheviks who are destroyers of art, culture and freedom!*

*This robbery and rape has become a fine art. Whereas before, British Imperialism, French Imperialism, Dutch or American who just walked in, robbed, killed and took these treasures for themselves by force – now the robbery is the same, but its buying off treasures of Russia that are willing to sell anything that is there, as long as the money is good and they can stash it away in foreign bank accounts in case the situation turns around and they have to flee!*

*Take a look at these photographs! Too bad that they are not in colour so that the readers may see the fantastic loss that future generations of Soviet people shall never be able to see, since these treasures were sold by people whom history shall condemn forever.*

*Time is surely coming, when these traitors will pay the supreme penalty!* □



## NEWS FROM FORMER SOVIET UNION

### “UNPAID WORKERS PROTEST IN RUSSIA, BUT THEY REMAIN IMPOTENT!”

A headline such as the above in “World News – Financial Times” newspaper, USA and an article in the magazine “Business Week” of April 6th about the internal struggles going on in Russia, with changes of Yeltsin’s cronies back and forth ... unfortunately calls the situation as it is. Besides, these two newspapers are the mouthpieces of capitalism and they should know the inside workings, since they in essence are controlling the game.

Studying the intricacies of the political movement in former Soviet

Union, we at Northstar Compass are still perplexed as to the reasons that the gamut of left parties, movements and many communist parties cannot see that this is exactly what International Monetary Fund and Western Imperialism want.

Western reactionary-capitalist newspaper like “Financial Times” see clearly what is being done and this statement surely tells us the reason for Yeltsin to be able to do whatever he wants without worries about the “left patriotic forces”.

*“By contrast, over the past seven years of often market reforms, the Kremlin (Yeltsin) has discovered to its own surprise, that an angry proletariat has little power to shake the country’s new political and economic institutions. At first hesitantly, and now with increasing boldness, the government has learned that it can pursue the toughest financial programmes with little fear of a political backlash.”*

This statement says it all in a nut shell! Yeltsin and Western backers know this, that the

“opposition” in Russia or in her former Soviet republics is NO OPPOSITION AT ALL!

Kuzbas miners in Russia helped to overthrow socialism, but they are still waiting for their pay! What leadership have these miners received? Where are the “chest-thumping, phrase-mouthing” so-called “communists” in this important section of the working class?

Where are the “leaders of the numerous communist-socialist parties” who sometimes not only attack each other, but many times do everything possible to sabotage each other’s activities?

The above newspaper and magazine also make the following succinct point – of course, for their own ends:

*“Kremlin now is also afraid or abetting the growth of ‘wild flowers’ that are emerging in this volatile situation. Populist politicians such as General Lebed (Pinochet lover – Editor) and Yuri Luzhkov, mayor of Moscow, are trying to tap the anger of the Russian workers.”*

Meanwhile, the patriotic forces and the communist movements are happily going about their squabbles, sniping, trying to convince the population that they are better Marxists-Leninists than were Marx or Lenin himself!

Somehow, the reactionary newspapers and their paid correspondents (who have the inside track into Russia) seem to see things more clearly and sometimes they let the truth slip between all their anti-Soviet diatribe.

Pity is that some of our Soviet comrades are too busy fighting internal battles at home, or trying to fight their political-ideological battles in International Forums. The popular saying to describe a situation such as the above is “While Nero played his fiddle,

### AMERICAN CULTURAL IMPERIALISM

Everyone knows that this exists, but what actually is it and how influential is it really?

The following quote was taken from the journal “Forward” published by Palestinians in Syria.

“It is estimated that in the world, 75% of all the movies shown are imported from America, with South America having the highest percentage. This also includes TV programmes.

Thus, ‘Cultural Imperialism’ is, in the present age, a part of market imperialism – exporting entertainment products has emerged as a highly profitable business. It is already established

that mass media is one of the principal sources of wealth and power for US capitalism, as it extends its communication network throughout the world. An increasing percentage of richest Americans derive their wealth from the mass media.

According to James Petras, a noted scholar on Imperialism, ‘Cultural Imperialism has displaced manufacturing as a source of wealth and influence in the USA.’ If Imperialism is the highest stage of capitalism, then the U.S. cultural imperialism only indicates the highest stage of cultural capitalism attained in the USA.”

THERE’S NO NEED FOR FURTHER COMMENT! – Editors □

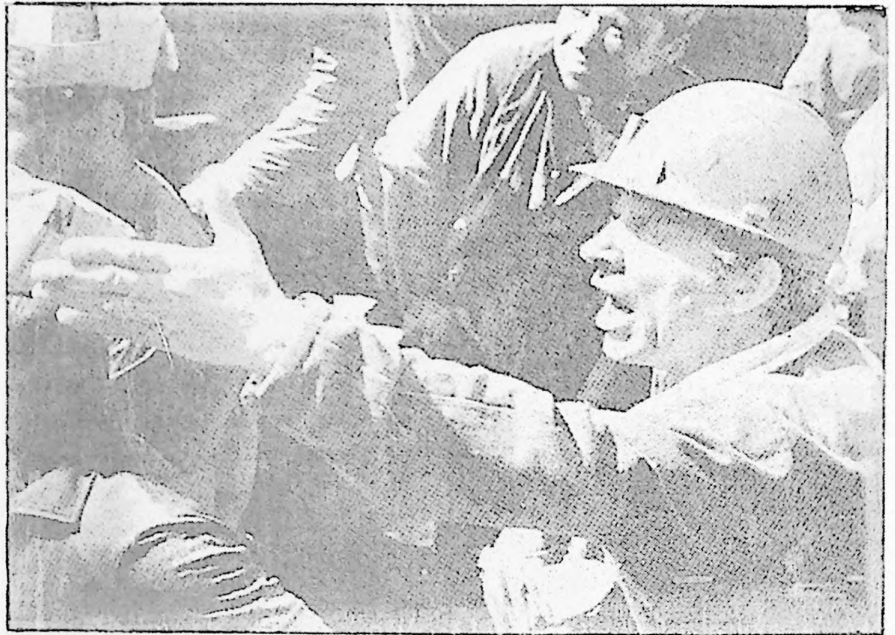
Rome was burning”!

To put it more bluntly ...

THE PATIENT (RUSSIA) IS DESPERATELY SICK. THE SYMPTOMS ARE KNOWN. THE CURE IS AT HAND! ... BUT THE DOCTORS (COMMUNISTS AND OTHER PATRIOTS) ARE TOO BUSY ARGUING AS TO WHO IS IT THAT WILL ADMINISTER THE MEDICINE THAT WILL MAKE THE PATIENT WELL AGAIN!

MEANWHILE, THE PATIENT IS DYING!

- With thanks for materials from  
Wadi'h Halabi



*Kuzbas miners helped overthrow communism but are still waiting for their pay. '*

**From Newspaper:  
"VOICE OF STALINGRAD"  
Russia**

**FRESH CAVALIER!**

Well, glory to you almighty! It happened! He is considered worthy!

But, who was this Seleznev? He is just a Speaker in the Russian Duma. But what did he become now? He is now the receiver of a "Medal as a Cavalier". President Yeltsin himself with his shaky hands pinned the Medal on the bowed head of Seleznev. Looking on this ceremony on the TV screen, bitter tears run down your cheeks. Look at him, this Seleznev, he was waiting long for this honour by trying to make certain that there is "citizens' peace", which, with such energy, the present Russian regime is struggling for, as well as this Speaker of the Duma Seleznev, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Russian Federation!

But it is most likely that hardly anyone now remembers that this Seleznev is a member of Zyuganov's CPRF!

This same party that has forgiven and masked all the terrible ills of Yeltsin's regime: bloodshed, corruption and traitorous acts. The CPRF and Seleznev himself know perfectly well these anti-peoples crimes are being committed by this Western-backed regime. Yes, they (the CPRF) knew and know about these crimes but have, and are, "constructively" co-operating with them, playing this deadly game against the Soviet people ... such as the "elections" that were nothing but a masquerade of lies and outright cheating.

The CPRF and Seleznev the Speaker of the Duma have promoted the so-called "Red Governors" in the provinces of Russia. In other words, the government and the CPRF had "co-operated" in friendship, to put off or roll back the "social unrest". With all this co-operation, how can you not give this Medal to Seleznev?

And so, this Medal "For Dedication to the Motherland" was given. We should remind "communist" Seleznev: dedication to what kind of Motherland? For a Socialist Motherland? But today,

we have no socialism - we have outright brutal capitalism!

When Seleznev received this "honour", he bowed low, thanked Yeltsin for this honour! What a sickening picture this was! To accept this Medal with the two-headed eagle on it and with a three-coloured flag of the traitor of Second World War, General Vlasov, who co-operated to smash the Red Army, together with the German fascists?

Can you just imagine something of this kind happening at the beginning of this century? Let's say that Tsar Nikolas II went to give a medal to one of the representatives of the Bolsheviks in the Russian Duma? Well, those were real COMMUNISTS but today, times are different and so are some "communists"!

Yes, the Tsar gave "medals" that sent all the true Bolsheviks into exile, jail, banishment, torture and murder.

By the way, this "medal" was not even discussed or adopted by the Russian parliament (Duma)! As the saying goes, "what role you play, that is the kind of medal you'll



receive." If to God, you receive God's medal, Caesar – Caesar's medal, Clown – a medal for a clown!

– O. Naayan

*Congratulations to Naayan – an excellent article!* □

## **MILITARY-POLITICAL AIMS OF NATO**

By AUCPB Information-  
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As a result of the Second World War, the Imperialist positions in the world were weakened by the appearance of a world socialist system which had influenced a widespread struggle by the national liberation and revolutionary movements.

In order to stop this movement, Imperialism headed by the USA, started preparations immediately for a new world war, first of all against the USSR.

For this, the aggressive imperialist countries started the process of uniting themselves into blocks. The initiator of this was the USA.

Thus in 1949 the West formed NATO. In 1954 they formed a block in South Asia – SEATO. In 1955 in the Near and Far East they formed SENTO (during 1980's this block was changed to METO). Countries from South Africa and America united themselves in the South Atlantic Union – SATO.

In the Pacific Ocean region all countries formed a bloc in 1951 called ANZUS, ANZPAC (1966) and ANZUC in 1971. Even with all these blocks that were formed, it seemed that it was not enough for the USA. That is why they want the countries of the Pacific rim to become members of NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organization).

These military blocs now contain more than 60 countries in the world. This is the main factor for the dangerous situation that exists now in the world. But the main danger is the strong NATO. It was signed on April 4, 1949 in Washington, USA by the USA, Britain, France, Italy, Canada, Belgium, Denmark, Iceland, Netherlands, Luxembourg, Portugal, and Norway. In 1952, Turkey and Greece became members. In 1955 the Federal Republic of Germany became a member and in 1981 Spain.

Not looking to the end of the Cold War, to the liquidation of Warsaw Pact, NATO did not suffer any weakening of its role. More than that, NATO enrolled other countries from Eastern Europe and some former republics of the USSR. In 1997, the question of Poland's, Hungary's and Czechoslovakia's membership in NATO was decided. The aforementioned new members were already assigned a quota to arm themselves with 7,000 tanks, 11,000 cannons with rockets, besides 4,500 artillery pieces. Poland has already promised to get a fleet of submarines of the old type "George Washington" and "Lafayet" – each carrying 16 Polaris missiles. Above this, Poland shall manufacture some submarines, type "Ohio" and "Michigan", each weighing 20,000 tons with a speed of 30 knots per hour at a depth of 600 meters. These submarines can stay afloat for 5 years without recharging!

Trident missiles are to be placed on these Polish submarines. These missiles have a range of 10,000 km. All are equipped with nuclear warheads. In the year 2000 the USA

shall have all new submarines in its service.

The aircraft carriers for atomic bombers are in full readiness. The USA has 15 of these aircraft carriers, four of them atomic, with unbelievable capabilities for destruction, and each carrying over 100,000 tons of capacity. On top of all this, they are each carrying close to 100–120 attack planes with atomic and hydrogen weapons. The USA has now over 500 warships of all makes and sizes, but by year 2000 these will be up to 600 warships!

The USA also has B-52 long distance bombers. But now there is a new bomber of unbelievable proportions and long distance possibilities, called B1-IV and it can fly at 2680 km. per hour and has a range of 15,000 km. It can carry 50 tons of bombs and rockets. On top of all this, the USA has over 3,000 wingless planes called B2 Stealth bombers.

They also have missiles called "Tomahawk" which are armed with hydrogen and atomic warheads and which fly at 600–800 km per hour and are very hard to shoot down from the sky.

We are at the mercy of USA and NATO!

Yeltsin and his predecessor Gorbachev signed the treaties that have now practically disarmed the former USSR. On top of all this, the deal was made that ALL uranium from the former Soviet Union must be shipped to the USA.

The USA won the "Cold War", and has fully disarmed our Motherland, liquidated the country and our socialist system. That is why now the sphere of influence in Europe and all over the world belongs to NATO (the USA) coming right to the borders of Russia.

The aim is to bring ever

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closer Western and Eastern Europe, including the Baltic states, then Ukraine, the Caucasus, Central Asia, to surround Russia in a vice grip and prevent Russia from arming itself or having any role to play whatsoever.

The USA does not need a strong Russia, either capitalist, monarchist or democratic. It is against any competitor on the economic world scale. According to NATO and Imperialism's plan, Russia and other former Soviet Republics must become suppliers of oil, gas and other raw materials, thus saving the USA's dwindling resources. American monopolists have already invested more than 50 billion dollars in Russia and its riches of gas-oil.

The USA shall try to stop any new government or movement that might appear in the former USSR. The main aim of the USA is to make certain that Russia and others do not get off their knees and are made so weak that they shall present no danger to NATO-USA.

When Russia met with the USA in Helsinki in 1996, it saw the complete capitulation of Russia. State Secretary of USA Madaleine Allbright said the following: "The appearance of NATO was a triumphant victory for our politics and President Truman, the enlargement of NATO is the highest victory of great significance for President Clinton."

America no longer hides its aims. It is out to rule the world and make every country in its own image.

Former Soviet Republics are also on the agenda of interest to USA and NATO. The so-called "Partners For Peace" (started in 1994) is used not only to separate the long-standing unity of former Soviet Republics within the USSR into NATO, but to use it as an occupational economic

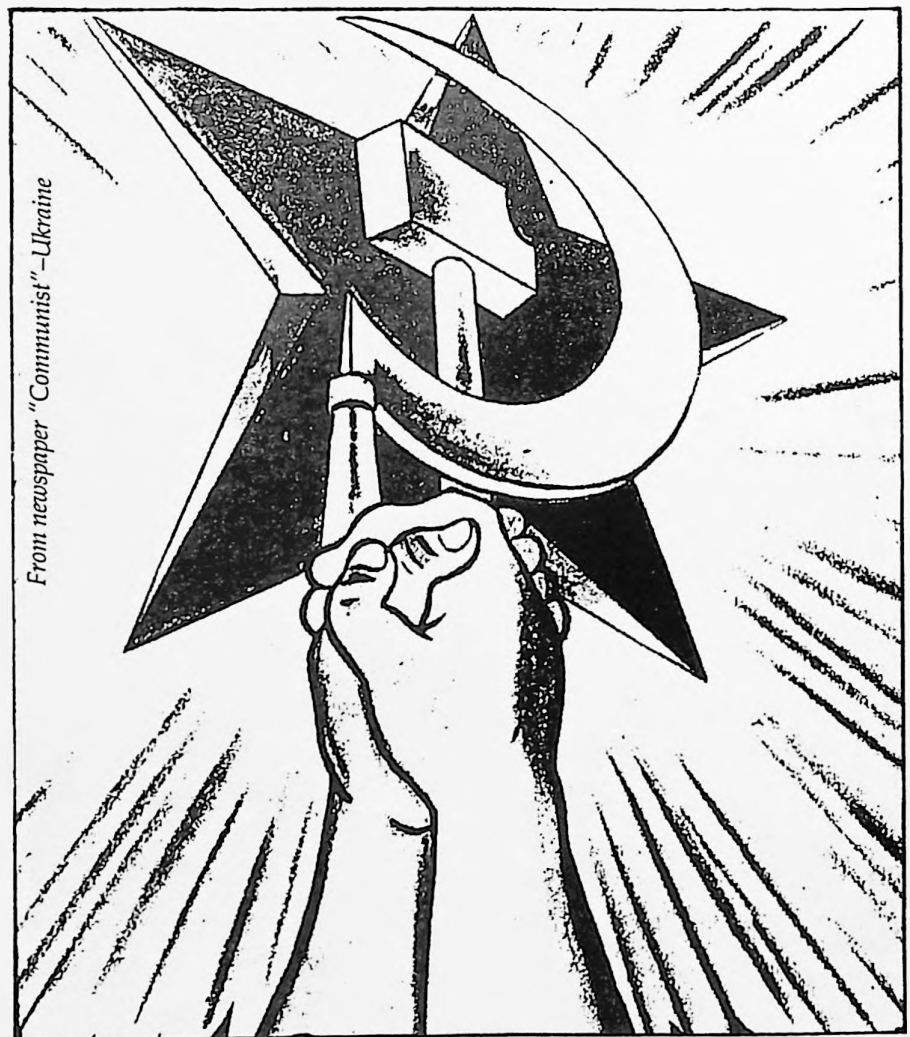
entanglement to destabilize them in all spheres.

Z.Brezhinski of the USA predicted that the Ukraine shall be in NATO by the year 2010. But already today, the Ukraine has become the training ground for joint maneuvers with NATO forces. It is already a monthly occurrence. Maneuvers were already held near Lvov, Nikolaev and the joint exercises "Breeze '97". Training also took place in Latvia, Kazakhstan, Byelorussia which is going to sign a document with NATO, plus an eventual signing by Russia.

There is now complete integration of wargames, exercises, training, maneuvers with all of the former USSR's republics. The USA and NATO secret services are all over our sea ports, aerodomes, rocket laun-

ching sites, and manufacturing armament enterprises. Kiev has been chosen to open up an office by NATO to act as a documentary gathering centre. Already NATO is setting up war bases in Odessa, Crimea, Rumania, Bulgaria, and Georgia. The USA-NATO forces are training and will drop airborne troops and armaments in the northern Black Sea region and in the Crimea. They are undermining the whole structure in the Balkans, Caucasus and Central Asia.

No one in the world can pretend not to know what NATO is doing as far as the peoples liberation struggles are concerned. Therefore it is now urgent that people unite into an ANTI-NATO FRONT, which must be based on realistic un-





derstanding of strength for helping the people and should adopt this slogan:

"No interference of NATO inside countries! All people must decide their own future and the system for their country!"

*Comment:*

*An excellent researched article and the message that it gives should be commended and publicized in every corner of the world.*

*Again, we bring up a subject that some well-meaning comrades that are as concerned as we are have raised. They somehow think that NSC should not "tell others" what to do, since all peoples themselves shall decide their own future.*

*We agree with this! BUT ... if you read this article and let the whole dangerous future that it portrays sink into your brain — by trying to pretend or wish that things shall of themselves be solved, that NATO plans shall be acted upon by each country alone, knowing the present reality, is being absolutely out of touch with the horrendous danger!*

*NATO and Imperialism, in spite of their contradictions and ambitions vis-à-vis each other, nevertheless are doing what this article is stating ... and they're doing it with UNITY — by FORCE or WILLINGLY by the partners in NATO and other blocs!*

*Why should not all patriots in the world ask, and yes, even DEMAND that Soviet communists and patriotic movements unite in order to save themselves and thus save us?*

*Let us remind ourselves of the fighting trade union cry:*

**UNITED WE STAND,  
DIVIDED WE FALL! □**

**PROFESSOR  
VLADIMIR  
HERASYMCHUK**



## **WHAT ARE THE BIRCH TREES WHISPERING?**

### **A Novel from Life**

*Further and further from us there are disappearing those heroic, and also at the same time, tragic years, when the Soviet people, united by the feelings of one socialist Motherland, defeated the world vampire — Hitler's fascism. The whole life of Soviet people at that time was in ascendancy, devotion and dedication. Even though they did not want heroism, this was their life and dedication.*

*One such heroic act was accomplished by a collective farm family from the village of Yasnaya Polyana, Zhitomir region of Ukraine, Onufry Khalimovsky and his wife Lizaveta Danilovna. Risking their life, this couple saved the life of a young Jewish girl Poliana Sojfer. After the war years, she lived in Odessa and, when her saviours were still living, they corresponded. Remembering the goodness and kindness of grandfather Onufry and Grandmother Lizaveta, they are remembered by their grandchildren and friends. People of this calibre should be remembered not only by their close relatives in Yasna Polyana, they deserve to be remembered forever by humanity.*

The village became quiet in the evening. The sun has set to a well deserved rest. The white coloured birches have let their branches down close to the ground for the night. Only a small murmur of its

leaves can be heard. Stop, before you start walking again! Do you hear these whispers? What are these leaves whispering about? ...

... This was long ago ... Lightning and thunder struck. And the earth started to tremble — the blood started to flow ...

On the central street of Yasna, Polyana came barrelling an auto full of fascists. In their hands — machine guns. Shooting ... children's screams ... non-existence ...

Around the home of the village elder "starosta" two well built police were kicking the door and also kicking senseless a man lying on the ground who was handcuffed already. "You tell us where this bitch is!" yelled one policeman — "tell us or I'll kill you!" These representatives of an Aryan race were bringing to the world their "civilization".

... At the edge of the village, near the birch forest, where lived Onufry Shimonovich, a figure darted past. Doors squeaked. A person hid in the home ... This was Polyana Sojfer, a beautiful girl, Jewish. Fascists were on her tail. She was looked upon by the couple with fright. The girl was breathing very hard. Her heart was pounding. Around her everything became hazy, unreal and unbelievable. The girl saw in front of her eyes a terrible picture ... fascists killed her mother, hanged her father ... Now it is her turn to face death. Oh, how she wants to live! How she wants to see the sunrise again, to meet summer, to hear in the evening the birds singing, to meet sometimes in her future her first love! She ran into the first house she saw which was in her path. She ran in hoping to find safety, to find a heart of humanity, to save herself from these vampires with human faces.

Now, she stood eye-to-eye with strangers. Who are they? Will they tell the fascists? She looked at them

in shock and they too were shocked, not knowing what to do. They well knew that the penalty for hiding Jews was death. "Quick, hide in the garret!" grandfather whispered to her.

... Fascists threw the door open. They looked everywhere where this Jewess would be hiding, in every possible place inside and outside the house. The garret was well hidden and not noticed by the fascists. Polyana, for two long months, was sitting in the garret. She did not see the sun or people. She hid from any prying eyes, risking her life. Grandfather Onufry and grandmother Lizaveta were secretly feeding the girl. They somehow managed to get her some books. This is how Polyana survived for two months in hiding. Only in secret, she sometimes came out of her hiding place in order to see outside, to see the sun shining through the windows. If anyone at that time was coming, she immediately went to hide, while the owners made certain that the visitors did not stay longer than necessary.

But as fate would have it, someone saw her through the window and told the fascists. But there were good people as well, who warned the Khalimovsky's that the fascists were told about them hiding a Jewess ... during the night, the fascists and their Ukrainian nationalistic helpers stormed into the house. They threatened and beat the couple to tell them where the girl was. The elder couple did not murmur a word. Polyana, just minutes before the fascists came storming into the house, ran into the birch forest, where she joined the partisans ...

Soon, Soviet Army was on the offensive. The German fascists ran away from the village. The liberators came into our village. Amongst them was Polyana Sojfer. She fought heroically in the partisans, for us,

for the village, for the Motherland.

... "Grandfather, Grandmother! Grandmother Lizaveta!" – happily yelled the postman, holding an envelope addressed to the elder couple. Grandfather with shaking hands opened the letter and started to read. This was an expected letter from Odessa, from Polyana Sojfer, a teacher now in a technical school in Odessa. She got married, but did not forget her saviours. Hot tears fell onto the letter as it was read ... he remembered those days ... He looked around. The sun was shining. High above the clouds was a jet plane on its way ... a pigeon flew to the birch trees ... school children happily skipping along the street were heard and seen. They do not know what war is. Somehow the birch trees were heard whispering. The elder couple were standing in their yard and for a long time, they looked and were reminiscing as they looked at the blue sky ...

The onward flowing river of humanity and life flows without stopping, carries its waters to the Immortal Ocean. Years flow and so do centuries. Every spring the storks come to the village. They also fly away into the sky ... But all through time, the Cosmos is there eternally and sometimes it brings happiness, and humanity will remember people like Onufry and Lizaveta Khalimovsky. □

From Newspaper:  
**"TRUDOVAYA ROSSIYA"**  
Leningrad

## TALK ABOUT FOUR GENERALS

At first, there was General Sterligov. He had an aristocratic profile and demanding manners. In 1991, he helped Yeltsin to bombard the Supreme Soviet (White House). After that, he somehow went afoul



of the regime and came over to the "opposition". But one thing had not changed with him – he was a bitter anti-communist. Appearing on TV program "60 Minutes" not too long before the bloody October events of 1993 in Moscow, to a question as to "what can Soviet people expect from him?", he emphatically stated: "Their death". Came October 4th and Moscow was drowning in blood of Soviet patriots. Sterligov the General was smiling at this carnage.



Then came General Rutskoii. He had a tremendous moustache, an "Afghan" veteran and a piercing gaze. He also started his post-Soviet



career in politics as an "ultra democrat", also "defended" the White House, and was a partner



with Yeltsin during the 1991 elections, after which he became a Vice President. He was not liked by the Chubais, Chernomyrdin crowd and thus had parting of the ways. He tried and actually did command the defense of the "White House" by boasting that he shall defend the constitutional Supreme Soviet to the last bullet in his revolver and the last bullet he said shall be saved to kill himself in case the defenders of the White House get defeated. It was Rutskoi who, knowing that Ostantkino TV Tower was heavily defended by Yeltsin's OMON goons, nevertheless sent the demonstrators to certain death. He also knew that there was another option to get on TV airways besides Ostantkino TV. Hundreds of patriots were murdered in cold blood. Rutskoi of course did not use the last bullet to kill himself. On October 4th, Rutskoi showed his demagoguery to Yeltsin's regime by having his revolver in his holster, trying to show that he was not a demonstrator-defender and that he did not fire even one bullet against Yeltsin regime.

After this carnage, the dead bodies were burned so that to this date, there is no total count of those murdered, while Rutskoi was put in "jail" where he comfortably, for a couple of months, was able to put a mantel on himself in the press that he too was "defending" the White House.

He rose from this "obscurity" so fast that by 1997, with the help of the CPRF (Zyuganov), he was elected a Governor in the Kursk district of Russia. His first act as the Governor was to enact a law banning all strikes and demonstrations and then he hiked it up to Moscow to bow on bent knee before Yeltsin in order to pledge his allegiance.

Then there followed General Lebed, also from the ranks of the "repentant democrats". His main



forte was that he was going to bring law and order, end corruption and gangsterism. His methods smacked of fascism when he stated that he was going to eliminate those "unconstructive communists" who did not want to co-operate with the present regime. But in the election of 1996, this General abruptly sold his followers and urged them to vote for Yeltsin. For this "noble act", he was made Chairman of the Internal Affairs Ministry. But he did not last too long in that post—he was removed since he sold off even the hands that fed him. He is now binding his time waiting, as Rutskoi, for better days.

But his wait shall be long because, as opposed to Rutskoi, Lebed has fouled the air so much that the stink lingers on and on and it will be hard to forget that smell.

In the fairy tale "Ivanushka-Durachok" (Ivan the Fool) he makes only two mistakes, but the third time, he corrects his mistakes.



As the situation has shown, officers and voters can be fooled many times. Now, there is appearing on the scene a fourth – General Rukhlyin ...

#### COMMENT:

General Rukhlyin is the present General who has organized another "Patriotic Movement" and although he states in an interview that he is for Socialism, he co-operates with Yeltsin and the present regime. In an interview with correspondent B. Gunko of "T-R" newspaper, amongst many things the General stated – we quote this to show exactly where this "Fourth General" might lead the Soviet people if given the opportunity:

*"What kind of socialism do you mean – Swedish type, Chinese type? Before I tell you what I have in mind about socialism, please tell me what is SOCIALISM?"*

*General Rukhlyin has the background – he became General after Khrushchev came to power, has academic training and was a member of CPSU ... or should we say, was. After all these years, we would think that General Rukhlyin would know as to what kind of SOCIALISM shall save the Soviet people!*

*Let us not be naive. The fact is that American Imperialism and IMF are very attuned to the internal situation in Russia and have contingency plans in case popular unrest gets Yeltsin out of power and people then shall see that Zyuganov's "socialism" is also not the answer ... then pressure shall be put on to get one of these "4 Generals" to the top and thus guarantee the multinationals their gains by establishing a bloody military dictatorship!*

*There might be some readers here and in the former Soviet Union that feel that the slogan we have at the bottom of this article is not in good taste ... BUT ... unless this slogan gets acted upon sooner than later, it might be too late. So ...* □

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## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

### OPEN LETTER TO THE PRESIDIUM OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE CPRF

**(Communist Party of  
Russian Federation)**

*At the IV plenum of the Central Committee of the CPRF, held on February 14, 1998, comrade U.P. Belov, secretary of the Leningrad joint committee, member of CC CPRF, proposed that a resolution be adopted at the V plenum, slated for April, regarding organizational and political unity of the party.*

*Fully endorsing this idea, we confirm the agenda of the plenum as follows:*

#### **RE: PRINCIPLED POLITICAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL UNITY OF THE PARTY**

We are proposing our draft of the resolution on the current question. The resolution is conditioned by the fact that the leadership of the party fell under the influence of the national-reformistic and demo-Christian views during the period following the IV conference of the CPRF (April, 1997), the deviation from the Leninist ideological and organizational principles of party structure. Together with the weakening of the work of the party among the masses, among the collectives of labour, a proposal was submitted to the workers and to the trade union movement to accept the proposed liquidationist tendencies which would limit the work of the CPRF because it has "assumed power", by growing into a bourgeois-

presidential political system against the wishes of the majority of the people in Russia.

Alarming also is the weakening of the activities of the CPRF in connection with the assembling of healthy Marxist-Leninist, proletarian-patriotic forces, and in the solidifying the temporarily fragmented communist movement.

According to the recent analysis, all these negative occurrences became possible only because of the factual formation in the main party apparatus of a conciliatory right-wing faction which monopolized all spheres of influence over the local party organizations. Aiming at the neutralization of the left, Leninist-wing of the party and at its complete destruction, the faction has embarked on a course of splitting tactics. It has succeeded in the dismemberment of the Kaliningrad regional party organizations and has now, on February 28, undertaken the similar task at the party conference in Kemerovo.

In this regard, we find it imperative to state that should this very important situation not be rectified by the Central Committee, the communists will have the right to implement the line of action of its principled platform (see paragraph 5 of the party rules) for the popularization of fundamental conditions of the enclosed draft, for the defence of the ideological and organizational values of the party, and for the realization of the decisions of the IV congress.

#### **RE: THE IDEOLOGICAL AND POLITICAL UNITY OF THE PARTY**

Draft of the resolution of the V plenum of the Central Committee of the CPRF (April 1998).

The five year results of the activities of the Communist Party of the Russian Federation (1993-1998)

once again confirm the correctness of the Leninist conclusions that "the unity and solidarity of its ranks, the guaranteeing of trust amongst the member, of the party and the genuinely amicable functions, and in the complete fulfilment of the united will of the vanguard of the proletariat is especially necessary at the present time when a number of conditions are beginning to increase the wavering in the midst petty-bourgeois populace of the country." (CPSU resolutions and decisions of congresses, conferences and plenums of the Central Committee. Ch. I.M., 1954, pp. 527-528).

It is understandable that the CPRF is compelled to work in conditions that are qualitatively different from those during the civil war and during the time of turn towards a new economic policy, when the resolution of the X congress was accepted regarding the "Unity of the Party" (March 1921). Until now, the activities of the CPRF are burdened with the consequences of a moral and political crises and with the defeat suffered in the early 1990s. Today, a complete restoration of capitalist attitudes has taken place. Communists became the opposition to the ruling hierarchy even though they have a considerable representation in the law enforcement agencies. Unfortunately, in the present conditions, the party does not possess the system needed to prepare the necessary personnel to work with the masses. Commensurate with its political tonnage, they do not seem to have the ideally-moral influences in the country.

1. Immediately following the constitutional RF trial regarding the "affairs" of the CPSU (May-November 1992) and following the II (rehabilitative) congress of the Russian Communist Party (February 1993), there arose before the communists the question of again

determining its strategic line and day-to-day tactics. The CPRF had unanimously endorsed the slogan of the Central Committee which called for a struggle against political extremism – both right and left – a slogan which completely justified itself in the struggle against the anti-Soviet, September-October (1993) revolution and allowed to bring the party out from under a crush.

The immediate harm that was inflicted on the activities and prestige of the CPRF was caused by the erroneous concept that “revolutionary limits” in Russia had been reached. Its basic harm was in the pronouncement that the responsibility for the disintegration of the country as well as for the creation of a revolutionary situation and, in fact, the unleashing of civil war is brought about by capital and by its servants – the bourgeois-criminal elements from the communist jurisdiction who, all in all, are predicting the inevitability of a revolutionary flare-up while, at the same time, are conducting their own political activities. In the final analysis, it morally freed the hands of the reactionaries-putschists to not only give birth to confusion amongst the party members, it also created a basis for some conscientious communists to conclude that CPRF is a bourgeois parliamentary party.

Until now, the Central Committee did not distance itself from the disgraceful theory of “limit” which, today, is judged by the communist movement the world over. Authoritative and clear definitions are necessary to explain that orthodoxy is a consequence of the communist ideology, that allegiance to ailing dialectics of development has nothing in common with dogmatism and that if communists are determined to achieve victory over capitalism, it is

radicalism, fundamentalism and realism that is their inalienable predisposition. In party circles, it is necessary to expose the difference between evolution and revolution. Dissent among communists should not be encouraged on the questions of the possibilities of a peaceful, bloodless socialist revolution, its incoherence with forceful terrorist methods until such time as when the reactionary elements introduce them. The party should possess a clear understanding of not only its own history but also of the results of the scientific analysis of contemporary times.

Regardless of the fact that, in the last five years the populace is forced into poverty by the centre and is becoming more leftist, it has not gained any sound positions in the trade unions or in the patriotic military circles, and is expressing indifference to the strike or protest movements resembling the Soviets in the collectives as well as locally. In contrast to the routine line of the top, all this demonstrates to the party activists the importance of the development of an alternative creative line of the toiling masses in conjunction with a reasonable combination with the basic struggles within the walls of the parliament of the healthy democratization of the course of the entire party.

Well-founded conclusions are drawn that there exists a creeping liquidationary tendency, and about the desire of the clan of new politicians to graft Russia with the bourgeois two-party system of government patterned after either the British or American systems, and also to convert the CPRF into its social-democratic appendage. In the event of failure in this endeavour, to factually exclude the powerful Communist Party as a social political force of society. The Central Committee is cognisant of the

principles. It appears that some influential circles are masterminding the lack of correlation.

In his books and articles, G. Zyuganov is developing an anti-Marxist line which is contradictory to the collectively developed line of the Central Committee. A leader of such calibre does not possess the right to a personal opinion that differs from collectively confirmed procedures of the leading party. He either has to leave his post and then freely expound his theories, or he has to be able to convince the party of the correctness of his views. As a cover-up for his anti-party activity, comrade Zyuganov states he is duty-bound to speak not only in the name of the CPRF but also of the NPRF and of the Duma faction, which, factually, does not reduce the party to the level of an appendage of the movement and of a faction.

Such conduct reflects negatively on the qualitative and collective composition of the party. Many genuine communists, dissatisfied with the anti-communist line of the party leadership, are leaving the party.

Five years ago, the Central Committee of the CPRF was to have had an administrative body in the central party organ which would allow responsible discussions on party strategy, provide considered evaluations which would orient the communists on the main questions of internal and external policies. Politico-technical discussions are of great value in the party organizations and in the press, but the subjects in question should not be those which were convincingly solved by Marxist-Leninist science and thus create doubt in the fundamental conditions of class approach. Unity of will and actions also demand certain principled pre-conditions. These pre-conditions are made during comradesly



arguments, but from the moment of decision when social opinions become crystal clear it becomes necessary to show action and not discord.

Obstacles in connection with the starting of a paper are usually the shortage of funds. But the presence of annoying competition, for example, such five papers as "Pravda" (A. Ilyin), "Pravda Five" (V. Ryapin), "Pravda" (V. Linnik), "Russian Pravda" and "Pravda of Moscow" indicates that the problem here is not in the shortage of funds but in the display of anarchy and in the absence of able party leadership, or more accurately, in the inability (or possible criminal undesirability) to organize a party press. The funds that are spent on printing these publications would have been more than enough to produce one Leninist "Pravda" of worldly stature that would be able to unite around itself the best of journalistic and theoretical forces, that would fulfill the role of a collective agitator, propagandist and organizer of the masses and solidify the party ranks from within.

Of great urgency today is the question of the party participation in television programming, but it should not be viewed as an "appearance of the chief" but as realization of the freedom of speech for the entire party.

All in all, the state of party unity is adversely affected by the bureaucratic inertness of the leadership of the Central Committee who is definitely positioned itself in a rightist direction. Factually, the discussion here is about the existing violation of the CPRF Rules, about the faction which systematically dissipates the leftist attitude of mind of party members, and which holds a powerful monopoly, objectively constricting the possibilities and diminishes the authority of the CPRF.

There are opinions in the party that it is impossible to liven the general climate in its organizations and to eliminate the splitting behaviours without new cadres, without a youthful composition of the membership.

In this connection, the plenum considers the following inevitable:

- Separating the office of the chairman of the Central Committee, of the director of the Duma faction and of the chairman of the NPSR and to recommend responsible and authoritative people from the three:

- Revive the standards of behaviour of the Central Committee over the Duma faction and control over it; review the practice of vote on individual items by communist representatives and to suggest that they function completely within the bounds of the collective demands of the Central Committee;

- To take measures to found a CPRF political school, having in mind: a) a primary Marxist-Leninist organizationally-political preparation of party youth; b) additional training for party activists of various profiles; c) resumption of the preparation of party politicians for higher qualifications through post-graduate studentship;

- To elevate the functions and the significance of the CCC with considerations to propose to the regular V congress of the CPRF a resolution regarding an item in the Position of the Commission which would give it the right to ideologically examine party documents and publications.

The plenum is warning that the introduction of ideal turmoil, of fostering contradictions between groups and individuals within the party is one of the most undermining actions of a class adversary, of liquidationists, opportunistic, highly chauvinistic and nationalistic elements that had penetrated into

the ranks of the CPRF. The plenum is calling on all communists to rally together in the continuation of the developing Leninism on the basis of national pride of the great Russians' socialist patriotism and the proletarian solidarity of the workers.

Draft presented to the presidium of the Central Committee of CPRF, March 10, 1998.

Translated from Russian by Alex Sturgeoff ☐

**From Newspaper:  
"VOICE OF A COMMUNIST"  
Moscow**

## OPEN LETTER TO THE YOUTH

**By: Oksana Holdsworth  
Artist: Member of the Communist  
Party of Wales (Great Britain)**



### YOUTH OF RUSSIA AND OTHER REPUBLICS!!

Allow me to appeal to you because it's not that long ago that I was a Soviet young lady who, at times, played hooky and did not attend the young communist league meetings.

I am now 31 years of age. It is four years since I married an English man and am now living in the West. I have become more or less adapted to the local attitudes and customs of life and culture (but incidentally, I

have no desire to become completely immersed into this culture because then I would be losing my own identity). I am now seeing things with different eyes and that is the reason why I would like, as a member of the many local organizations, to share with you my experience and hope that you may take note.

I started to write this on the day of the 80th anniversary of the Great October Revolution. And right now, with a few pleasant exceptions, the screens of the western TVs and other media are filled with the usual old anti-Soviet propaganda of fear and hate. Not much has changed in the eight decades; the bourgeoisie still tremble at the thought of the working class assuming power. Such is the effect that our revolution produced on the whole world!! That's how frightened the capitalists the world over became of our bold example that, after all these years, they are still trying by all artificial means to blacken the revolution and to diminish its significance.

And what does it mean to you, the youth of today? I am trying to imagine how you, the youth that were born after me, are faring? How many years will it take before you begin to feel an aversion to the market saturated by Coca Cola and other frequently unhealthy, chemically saturated products of the West, for which you are paying dearly? An answer to this may be difficult to find because, evidently, the predisposition in a callous and a culturally illiterate society wields tremendous power. This is precisely the side of the stern society that I do not wish to accept.

Many of you may ask what gives me the right to "lecture" you while living abroad and not in your midst! In reply, I have to state that writing this letter is, for me, a risky undertaking because freedom of

speech in the West is another one of those lies thrust upon you. This could also be accepted as a reason why such articles do not appear that frequently. Freedom of speech exists here as long as the speeches do not knock the self esteem of the ruling classes who are, by every means possible, clinging to their wealth that they have amassed and with which they will never part without a struggle.

The problem is not so much where we live but what position we take towards the honest working people as well as towards the exploiters who have amassed great wealth at the expense of the toilers and who are not showing any remorse for having done so.

Do you really think that big business and the politicians have any respect for your "new" fatherland? You are greatly mistaken. In reality, in their hands, you are nothing more than Plasticine which could be moulded into anything that they desire. Take a look into the eyes of your grandfathers-veterans who were prepared to give their all for your future; take a look into the eyes of the deprived golden-age women, pensioners. I am sure that you will recognize in them the emotions that they are experiencing. And so, if the Western capitalists were able to shove you on the path of treason towards these innocent people, then they are 100% sure that you are in their complete control and they are able to compel you to do anything that they may wish.

Nobody is preaching that we must abide by some discarded theories, or accept as authoritative anything emanating from any hostile westerner, but to accept fully the

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nonsense and the consumptive capitalist propaganda which saturates the Russian TV screens and other information media, could mean that once again, there is a lack of personal persuasions and individualism, and a preparedness to become a member of a huge mass of either cold-hearted or hypnotized people. Does this not smack of the determination used to present to us the credos of the Soviet years? After all, the Soviet ideology taught us humanism, consideration of one for another, responsibility. And what do the manufacturers of "Mars Bars" and "Snickers" teach you?

Therefore, young men and young women, you have to decide for yourselves which side you want to be on - on the side of your struggling impoverished people to whom you are so necessary simply because it is impossible to restore a nation without the participation of fresh young forces, or on the side of the wealthy overseas patrons who are using you for their own mercenary interests and giving back as little as possible, and who pretend to be so dear and friendly as long as they will be needing your services. And when they have finished squeezing out everything that they could, and become wealthier at the expense of your people, who have already lost a lot of what they used to have, they will then have no further use for you. Even your own businessmen know this so very well. That is why they are buying up with your money, villas and estates in all countries just in case it becomes necessary to flee across the border. So, are you to wait until they remove everything and leave you with nothing? They will not be taking you with them!!

Give this your serious thoughts. It is not too late to make the right choice. In the final analysis, history itself will right things just as it has

## OPEN FORUM

### ANTI-COMMUNISM: MYTHS AND MECHANISM

By: Dave Silver

In its essence, anti-communism can be considered to be heterogeneous in that it embraces a variety of ideological and political attempts to justify the capitalist system as opposed to socialism and communism. Just as Marxism is the social consciousness of the revolutionary working class and uses the criteria of class as an essential component, likewise all anti-communism contains the nucleus of an ideology and policy of the defense of capitalism. Robert Steigerwald, Communist leader in the Federal Republic of Germany, defines (Anti-Communist Myths In Left Disguise International Publishers 1977) anti-communism "As a system of militant, aggressive, political and ideological means to justify capitalism AND struggle against socialism and communism, and which combats every ideology, policy, organization, campaign or other effort in which Communists may be involved to solve vital problems, if it casts doubt on capitalism or its consequences."

We can thus understand why at the height of McCarthyism the "New Left" or neo-Marxist philosopher Herbert Marcuse could continue as full professor at bourgeois universities while this would be impossible for those of the "old left" if they are Leninists. Or we can look back to the time of the Cold War and the banning of the Communist Party in Germany. Intellectuals like Horkheimer took up the cudgels openly for U.S.

many times in the past. How would you like the present generation to be written up in history? As a stupefied society which the Americans lead around by their noses, as primitive in your "materialistic" approach to life, or as a sincere, heroic generation capable of defending the pride of your parents and seniors, the pride of your Soviet Motherland?

Use your capabilities to safeguard that which your enemies want to force away from you - your past, your history, your Soviet culture, your remembrances. Did you ever stop to wonder why the French are so proud of their revolution, or the Americans of their Civil War? Why do you not imitate them in this respect? Youth, where are your logistics? How naive can one be so as to believe that revolutions are organized by a small group of people, not to mention civil wars, which follow them?

The greatest majority of citizens in the West are also sincere, honest people, as elsewhere in the world. You should be aware that it is not these people who come to you to make capital investments; like you, they have no money to invest. The ones that do come are mercenaries, careerists or sisters of mercy, whose conscience bothers them when observing the privations that people suffer. Your new government, however, is less thankful to the latter than they are to the former. It is necessary to understand your visitors because there are those who are genuinely interested in your welfare (although their numbers had seriously decreased since perestroika) and those who come because labour is cheaper in your country just as are the natural resources. There are no compelling reasons for your enemies to occupy your Motherland yet with machine guns and automatic rifles (although such possibilities cannot be

dismissed because NATO today is ever so much nearer your borders. From whom are they proposing to "defend" Ukraine and the Baltic States?) Your enemies today are using more sophisticated means, by destroying you, morally, from within, by buying up all that is yours and thus wielding power over you. The old method of "divide and rule" is also used. Do you really think that it is Yeltsin that is ruling Russia? Here, his name is never mentioned without a sneer.

It is, of course, essential to co-operate with foreigners. There is much to be learned from the western countries but it is necessary to understand the characteristics of their interests and thus preserve your own values. And also remember that democracy and capitalism are, by nature, two completely different and incompatible things.

In conclusion, I would like to draw your attention to one historical fact from which you can draw your own conclusions. Since 1945, there were 130 new military conflicts initiated by the Western Imperialists, some of which are still continuing and in which over a 100 million people had been either killed or seriously wounded (upon request I could supply all the data and locations of the conflicts). Is this the ideal and just system that you idealize? It is here that it is impossible to disagree that there is nothing more dangerous than naivete.

One wants to cry out: My dear mother, get up off your knees! Do not allow the outlandish local mercenary "historians" to distort your past which to you is more clear than to all of them combined! One only has to look at the new bourgeois Russia to which insatiable ghosts of the pre-revolutionary Russia have returned.

- Translated by Alex Sturgeon





imperialism. At that time, the cutting edge of anti-communism was anti-Sovietism. And while many young opponents of imperialism will maintain that they are above or have overcome anti-communist notions, they have not done so in essence. Their anti-imperialism is a transitional stage to certain socialist positions and from this vantage point, they begin to make use of old, stereo-typed anti-Communist ideas to criticize the then-existing socialism, particularly the Soviet Union, the German Democratic Republic and the German Communist Party.

Today, we witness the global effects of the counter-revolutionary "new thinking virus" that has infected Parties, Liberation and Working Class Movements and organizations. "Orthodox" Marxism is outmoded, say the new thinkers who attempt to substitute universal human values for class struggle and buy into the reactionary "convergence theory" - that capitalism and socialism are becoming more and more similar.

Some of the mechanisms feeding into this bourgeois ideology can be identified. There is a tendency to isolate social problems from basic economic problems. We frequently see "Left wing" Anti-Communism in the guise of Trotskyite, ultra-left and anarchist attacks on the socialist countries (however decimated today) and Marxist-Leninist Parties. They do not accept the notion that the main contradiction today is still between capitalism/imperialism and socialism and therefore, international in nature. The Anti-Communists accuse Communists of the "urge for power" in the abstract, never examining the aim for which this power is to be used, its content. Another mechanism in the anti-communist arsenal is "foreign influence" which is used

demagogically to discredit internal forces of change and the concept of internationalist solidarity (Afghanistan is a good example here). We also witness left anti-communism adopting the bourgeois social theory of Freedom; where political freedom is an Absolute, divorced from social and human rights, for instance, to a job with dignity.

As a consequence, we see many left and liberal anti-communists for instance supporting the Civil Liberties Union's Amicus Curiae brief for the "right" of Nazis to march in Skokie. Code words such as totalitarian and pluralistic are used by modern day anti-communists in assigning the former to socialism and the latter to bourgeois democracy. As Steigerwald persuasively notes that "The spearhead of anti-fascism is turned against socialism. Fascism and socialism are equated, single aspects of fascism are condemned but its roots and system glossed over, while socialism is condemned as a system."

The question of left anti-communism has enormous significance for theory and praxis. Once we abandon a class analysis and look for the "good" features of capitalism while we condemn "hardliners", we go down the slippery slope of opportunism and revisionism falsely believing that we can innovate Marxist and Socialist thought by denying its basic principles thereby rejecting it. Marx is quite clear on antagonistic contradictions as opposed to the "friendly" ones that are found in socialist societies. As a consequence, all sincere efforts for radical social change must recognize that one cannot be anti-imperialist, anti-racist or pro-working class and remain essentially anti-communist.

The fact that German fascism was a product of German capital that

used anti-Communism (Bolshevism) and racism lends credence to the thesis that anti-communism "is the fundamental crime of our epoch." (R.S.)

Note: The author credits the Steigerwald book alluded to above as the primary source for this analysis.

*We would like to thank Dave Silver for an excellent article and Angelo D'Angelo of Staten Island, N.Y., USA for sending it to NSC.* □

## BOOK REVIEWS

### ANOTHER VIEW OF STALIN

By: Michael Ukas



ANOTHER VIEW OF STALIN is a timely book, consisting of 327 pages of text in ten chapters, and including detailed explanatory notes and a comprehensive index, as well as an exhaustive bibliography. It tells of some of the more significant problems that confronted the Soviet Union between the years 1917 and 1955, and the way that these

problems were dealt with by the government. The book refutes the well-known attacks against Stalin that have been printed in the western media, and exposes the falsifications of such so-called historians as William Randolph Hearst, Robert Conquest, Alexander Solzhenitsyn and others.

On reading Ludo Martens' book, the reader cannot help concluding, quite rightly, that the propaganda denigrating Stalin over the years has been cleverly, but falsely, constructed by enemies of socialism. They know that by attacking Stalin, they are, at the same time, attacking Lenin and advancing the cause of capitalism. This has been and continues to be their objective. Many sincere people of the left – among them some communists – have felt uneasy when faced by such vicious condemnations of Stalin, perhaps not realizing that these assaults often come from the Nazis and the Trotskyists, from people such as Henry Kissinger and Zbigniew Brzezinski, from Nikita Khrushchev and Mikhail Gorbachev, and other less known personalities. Unfortunately, many people who firmly oppose the destructive anarchy of world capitalism have become intimidated. This plays directly into the hands of ultra-reaction.

Among the issues discussed by Martens are those of building socialism in one country (violently opposed by Trotsky to the point of betraying the Soviet Union), socialist industrialization in the USSR, collectivization, dekulakization, the struggle against bureaucracy, the purge in the thirties, the struggle against revisionism and enemy infiltration, the trial of the Trotskyist-Zinovievist Centre, the Tukhachevsky trial and the anti-Communist conspiracy within the army, Trotsky's role on the eve of the Second World War, Stalin and the

anti-fascist war, and From Stalin to Khrushchev.

There is just one conclusion: we who wish to defend the ideals of Socialism and Communism must re-examine the opinions and judgements which we may have entertained since 1956 about Stalin's place in history in the light of past and contemporary events. There is no other way! □

## SALT & PEPPER ON WRY

**By: Frank Ray Davis**

**SPOOKS ON THE LOOSE:** The Cold War lives on, like an old-time religion lost in its own senseless past, with its rah-rah super-patriots worshipping The Bomb. Seems the biggest sin, Devil Worship, has been displaced.

**BOMB BESTED:** Yes, The Bomb is still a threat to destroy our world, but we have better: Hog-hungry corporations prowling the earth to feed their greed.

**MACARTHUR UP-DATED:** Old soldiers never die and leave us; they just leave us budget deficits that never die.

**AIN'T NOTHIN' BUT A HOUND DOG:** You've been brain-washed that capitalism is a howling success. That's kinda true. But the howling comes from Earth's billions never touched by its "success".

**WE IN THE SINGULAR:**  
Just one language need there be:  
Love free-flowing from the heart.  
Just one race, no race apart:  
The people-race, humanity.  
Just one world, if we're smart,  
United in ecology. □

## LETTERS FROM ABROAD

**To: Editorial Board and Canadian  
Friends of Soviet People**

### FOR UNITY OF ALL REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENTS!

Dear Comrades and Friends!

With all my heart, I greet the successful conclusion of the Conference '98 sponsored by Northstar Compass and Friends of Soviet People. The decisions of the Conference, definitely shall help to solidify the unity of revolutionary movements. Our Society "Workers Ukraine-Canada" supports the idea and the road in establishing the "International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People". We also support the idea to hold the first Congress in Europe in 1999 to decide upon further steps to realize this objective. The question is not only the friendship and solidarity with Soviet people. Of course this is important! But we must also take steps to save the purity of Marxism-Leninism, for the Communist future of mankind, for putting into life on this planet earth the possibility of a new method of production, basing ourselves on the peoples' ownership of production and for the rule of labour over capital. We must help to dispel the falsification of the heroic history of Socialist Motherland, categorically throw out opportunism and revisionist tendencies of the "fifth column" inside the world Communist movements.

And also, it is necessary to save and cement the unity of all revolutionary movements, those

who are struggling against capitalist obscurantism and reaction. Therefore, we feel dismayed when some comrades in communist parties show their dislike and put into effect their efforts to criticize the work of the Friends of Soviet People and Northstar Compass or about the decisions made by the delegates at the Conference '98!

Members of our Society Workers Ukraine-Canada protest against these actions. We are with you, dear comrades! We demand that these actions cease and that comrades who are doing such noble work should not be discriminated against in any way or form!

Dear friends!

I am glad that I have this opportunity to actively participate in the International Council and in the Editorial Committee of our journal, as a member of the Editorial Board. I shall fulfill all that is needed from me. In our unity, there is strength! Together, we shall win!

– Vladimir Herasymchuk

Chairman

Society

“Workers Ukraine-Canada” □

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**From:**  
**ALL UNION COMMUNIST  
PARTY OF BOLSHEVIKS**

Dear Comrades of NSC!

Dear Comrade Michael Lucas!

I thank you sincerely for sending me the delegates “papka” case, full of materials that were discussed at your Conference '98. In return, I'm sending you our two newspapers that report on our AUCPB Plenum.

Please accept our best wishes to all of the Editorial Board and your patriotic work.

– With Bolshevik Greetings,

Nina Andreeva

General Secretary AUCPB □

**From:**  
**Konin, POLAND**

Dear Comrades!

Receiving NSC regularly is, to me, an excitement and I marvel at the wonderful work that you comrades are doing. We value your publication greatly.

Soon, I shall write about the situation in the Polish communist movement.

– With Communist Greetings,

Jaroslav S. Dabrowski

Union of Polish Communists □

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**From:**  
**Krivoy Rog, UKRAINE**

Dear Comrades:

We appreciate receiving and reading NSC each month. May we point out that you always list lately that our journal “Communist Herald” is published in Moscow, while we are published in “Krivoy Rog”!

I congratulate the Editorial Board on being awarded the Marshal Zhukov Medal. I wish you future successes which shall contribute to the achievement of our common objective: the resurrection of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

I am awaiting anxiously the NSC which reports on your 5th Conference '98.

– With Communist Wishes

S.G. Saveliyev

Editor

*We have corrected the error you speak about and we thank you for pointing it out to us. Yes, our co-operation must produce the results we are striving for!* □

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**From:**  
**Sao Paulo, BRASIL**

Dear Comrades:

Enclosed please find \$100 from us and \$100 from Rafael Tramm towards the excellent work of Northstar Compass.

**DID YOU DONATE TO  
SUSTAINING FUND?**

I feel deeply honoured that the Conference '98 elected me to the Editorial Board of NSC. I feel extremely enthusiastic as to the results of the Conference and thank you for sending us complete documentation of the Conference.

We are discussing the materials with progressive organizations and groups and we had a conference with our delegate Pedro Castilho from Rio De Janeiro and made plans for our future co-operation.

I have translated all of the 17 Resolutions adopted by the Conference into Portuguese and sent them out all over Brasil plus the Minutes of the Conference.

Also, my compliments to the magazine “The Hammer” from USA, edited by one of the NSC Editorial members. Excellent materials.

– Guaracy Gouvea

General Secretary

Unioa Cultural Pela Amizade  
dod Povos

*We thank our Brazilian comrades for doing such good work and helping NSC in our common struggles.* □

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**From:**  
**AUSTRALIAN INTERNATIONAL  
STUDIES ASSOCIATION  
Victoria, Australia**

Dear Friends:

Your letter of March 24 to hand, and a warm “Thank You” for the International Women’s Day memory! Of course, you are welcome to use my paper analysing the causes of capitalist crises. For reference purposes, I ought to add that I hold an MA Degree in Political Science from the University of Melbourne, but I also studied philosophy and



history in Germany. I have lectured politics, including political economy and theory of politics, at various tertiary institutions in Melbourne over the years, but I am retired now – therefore, I have some time on my hands for the pursuit of my own interests. I am happy to use my training and experience for the benefit of the disadvantaged and disempowered of this world. I am sure that we share such aims and purposes.

I enclose the January/February issue of our Newsletter and some additional material that might be of interest. In particular, the paper on “The Politics of Inflation” deals with an important topic. I am expanding it by adding more contemporary data and shall keep you posted.

I am in touch with some friends in Russia, but we do no more than exchange letters and greetings, to know that they are still alive. Any information on conditions in Russia or in other parts of Eastern Europe is much appreciated and will be reproduced in our Newsletters. Our membership is predominantly Australian – people who want to be kept informed and who are sick-and-tired of the selectiveness and disinformation of the media.

It is with growing indignation that we follow events in Kosovo – the same tactics as in the various republics of the former Soviet Union, and subsequently in the Yugoslav Federation since 1991/1992. It is a running score in the flank of Europe, a neo-fascist revival of ethno-chauvinism which culminated in ‘ethnic cleansing’ of millions of people.

I shall be in touch after receiving the March issue of NSC.

– Yours Very Sincerely,  
Vera Butler

*In future issue, we shall publish as a Supplement her excellent article.* □

**GET YOUR FRIENDS  
TO SUBSCRIBE TO  
NORTHSTAR COMPASS!**

**From:  
ITALY**

Dear Comrades!

Renewing and please keep up the good work!

– Fraternally,  
Mario Januzzi □

**From:  
COMMUNIST PARTY – KPML[R]  
SWEDEN**

Communist greetings and many thanks for sending us all materials from your Conference! It was inspiring to go through it, and even though there are still many obstacles ahead of us all, it is encouraging to see so many dedicated comrades and friends fighting it through.

In the future, we shall contribute articles to NSC since there are upcoming elections happening in Sweden where we expect to double our seats from 13 to 26.

– Comradely,  
Teddy-John Frank  
International Secretary □

**NSC NEEDS HELP!**

We receive an excellent newspaper from Nepal, called “Workers Weekly” and we need comrades who can translate from Nepalese some articles into English.

Can our readers help us to contact that person(s) and thus our NSC would be able to read about exciting events that are happening in Nepal?

Get in contact either by mail, telephone or by our Internet page –  
[WWW.Northstarcompass.org](http://WWW.Northstarcompass.org). □

**From:  
CONGRESS OF CITIZENS OF  
USSR, Moscow**

Dear Colleagues!

Because of financial problems, we were not able to send to Conference '98 our delegate, member of our council, Victor Lebedev.

But let me repeat again our tremendous interest in your proposal to establish an “Organizing Committee for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People”. We are sending you the names of activists of our Council whom we have elected to be members of the Organizing Committee to work together with others that were elected at your 5th Conference.

Again, we wish success to the Organizing Committee as well as to the Editorial Board of Northstar Compass. We feel that we shall be co-operating for the benefit of the resurrection of the Soviet Union.

– With Comradely Greetings,  
Tatiana Khabarova  
Chairperson of the Executive  
Committee of “CONGRESS OF  
CITIZENS OF USSR”

*To the Presidium of the  
“Organizing Committee for Friendship  
and Solidarity with Soviet People”*

Our Executive Committee:

- Whole-heartedly supports the idea of the formation of an “International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People”;

- We are ready to participate in this International Council as collective members, knowing that we shall be able to help to save the interests, rights and national aspirations of Soviet people;

- We delegate into the Organizing Committee the following comrades:

– VICTOR SERGEEVICH LEBEDOV  
Member of the Executive Committee  
Moscow – Chairman of the  
Executive Committee



- TATIANA MICHALOVNA  
KHABAROVA, Moscow,  
Member of the Executive Council
- PAUL ABRAMOVICH FEDOTOV  
Northern Ossetia, City of Mozdok  
Member of the Executive Council
- PETER GRIGOREVICH LAVINSKY  
Ukraine, Zaporozh District,  
Village of Matweevka  
Member of the Executive Council
- EDWARD VASILEVICH  
TRUSHENKO, Rostov-On-Don  
Member of the Executive Council
- VASIL SEMEINOVICH  
KOROTAEV, Moscow District,  
City of Zheleznodorozhny  
Member of the Executive Council

*The Organizing Committee for International Council has decided unanimously to endorse the comrades listed above. Welcome to the growing movement of solidarity for an International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People!* □

**NEWS FROM  
U.S. FRIENDS OF  
NORTHSTAR COMPASS**

**OBITUARY**

**NORMAN GOLDBERG**

It is with great sadness that we report on the death of one of our readers, supporters, activists, Norman Goldberg of Summerville, N.J., USA. His family feels the loss of a husband, father, and the progressive movement shall sorely miss his dedication and work for friendship with the Soviet people, socialism and his constant battle to present the USSR and its Government as a bastion for peace and understanding, against all enemies, in the first place the ruling class of America and its Imperialist ambitions and dangerous foreign policies.

Your work shall be continued by all people who are dedicated to socialism and to the resurrection of the Soviet Union!

- Editorial Committee of NSC □

**From:  
SAN GABRIEL, CA.,  
USA**

We have to fight against the conservative elements in power in the USA, which are bent on crushing the labour unions. The plight of many workers has grown, with people having to sleep in the parks, under bridges and yet the US government spends billions on preparation for wars. They are into Iraq, now into Kosovo in Yugoslavia, trying to instigate Albanians against Serbs and visa versa. US should stay out of Yugoslavia, not mix into the affairs between Albanians and Serbians. Let the people decide themselves what kind of government they want!

In many cases, both sides are to blame. Kosovo was Serbian territory for a century and this is outright nationalism which serves only their foreign masters. We had peace before and we can have peace again. The working class in all of the former Yugoslav Republics are suffering now because of this ethnic fighting and exploitation by foreign concerns.

Leave Serbia and Albanians alone to settle their problems! We must struggle against foreign USA intervention wherever they feel they have the right to intervene! Time has come to stop U.S. Imperialism.

- Pedro Nikov □

**From:  
BOSTON, MA.  
USA**

Dear Comrades,

The 'weak link in the imperialist chain' may well be Russia (and the Ukraine and the other former Soviet

and CMEA lands) once again. This is because the Soviet working class is large, concentrated and remains relatively strong. It also has a tremendous revolutionary tradition. The new Russian bourgeoisie, on the other hand, is weak, corrupt, and nothing but a vile agent of a crisis-ridden imperialism.

It is understandable if there is still confusion and disorganization among many Soviet workers, after the counter-revolution. It is important to realize how a massive, still-unfolding crisis of a decaying world capitalism - a crisis now more and more evident in east Asia - ultimately helped bring down an unprepared Soviet Union. It is necessary to draw all the lessons of the strengths and weaknesses of the Soviet Union.

The inevitable reconquering of Soviet (working class) power will set off waves that will not stop at the old borders. Indeed, with preparation and organization, it can soon open the path to extraordinary liberation for all of the oppressed of the world. It could even permanently free the capitalist class from its endless worries about crises and falling profits. It is against Soviet workers' tremendous potential threat to imperialist rule that NATO'S eastward expansion is really aimed.

The monopoly media ignore or downplay the Soviet peoples' great sufferings and struggles since the counter-revolution. Little or nothing is said of Communist organizations' efforts to develop political clarity and unity. Today, Northstar Compass is one of the few sources for such information. The Soviet peoples' struggles against capitalism and imperialism deserve the greatest solidarity, especially from those of us Communists living within the boundaries of the imperialist monster.

- In Solidarity,  
Wadi'h Halabi □



## HISTORICAL, DOCUMENTARY VIDEOS AVAILABLE FOR YOUR OWN COLLECTION OR TO SHOW TO CLUBS, ORGANIZATIONS!

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Soviet songs performed by different choirs – songs of the revolution, war and peace. An excellent insight into the feelings of the Soviet people.

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Lenin appointed Dzerzinski to head the CHEKA (Internal Security) in order to fight the spies, counter-revolutionaries and internal enemies who, together with foreign agents, sabotaged, murdered and played havoc with daily life of people building a new society.

### **MANCHURIA 1945** (30 min. \$15.00)

Film shows actual footage of the fight against militarist Japan and their defeat by the Red Army, plus the liberation of Manchuria.

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Showing events leading to 1917 October Revolution, with much archival material, documents and a look at historical places then and now.

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The 1979 events in Afghanistan are shown and explained in detail. See the truth of what really happened!

### **VOICES FROM RUSSIA** (48 min. \$20.00)

An excellent video showing now the massive workers' marches of protest against the present regime of Russia on May Day and November 7th, plus interviews with Victor Anpilov of "Workers Russia".

### **SECRET LIVES OF TRAITOR KING** (120 min. \$22.00)

King Edward VIII of England is shown before the Second World War and during, as the actual traitor in British monarchy, fully in contact and cooperating with Hitler. Actual BBC documentary footage. Historical gem, and BBC called the King a spy!

### **CUBA AGAINST THE ODDS** (30 min. \$15.00)

An anti-blockade film shows the world rallying to help Cuba, plus historical footage of Fidel Castro coming to power. Film shows present day life & the life of mafiosi during Batista reign, interview with Castro. Inspiring!

### **STRATEGY OF ACCELERATION** (80 min. \$20.00)

XXVII 1986 Congress of the CPSU and the new policy of perestroika and glasnost. Made by 39 cameramen and technicians.

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The siege of Leningrad will go down into history as the greatest struggle for survival of humanity; the courage, the tragedy and heroism of Soviet people.

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His life through photos, actual locations, documents and original film footage.

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Life of Maxim Gorky, his stay in Capri, his youth and return to USSR. Lots of original film footage.

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### **ANTON CHEKHOV** (30 min. \$15.00)

An excellent biographical sketch of this very important great Russian literary genius.

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The most spectacular youth cultural and sports event to be seen, when young people from over 125 countries gathered in Sofia.

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### **V.I. LENIN** (30 min. \$15.00)

Historical footage of V.I. Lenin during pre-revolutionary and post-revolutionary days in Russia. This film is a classic.

### **ALEXANDER PUSHKIN** (30 min. \$15.00)

The great Russian poet and literary figure is shown and his influence on the Russian literature and culture.

### **BABI YAR** (40 min. \$15.00)

The Babi Yar massacre near Kiev – actual site, living witnesses and footage of captured documentary film taken by the fascists.

### **FIDEL RETURNS TO HARLEM** (30 min. \$15.00)

Fidel Castro on his visit to United Nations Organization, stops to give a talk in Harlem, New York to an overflow audience who gathered at the Abyssinian Baptist Church. This is an in-depth insight into the heroic and diplomatic Fidel Castro.

### **RUSSIA SECRETS** (160 min. \$25.00)

This award-winning video is based on actual footage done by cameramen, plus secret cameras that filmed the carnage of cannon and tank fire against the Supreme Soviet building (White House) and thousands of deaths in 1993. Film is in Russian only, but the graphics and story is so compelling that language is not a barrier. It is chilling, gruesome and this film will be used when the present traitors are brought to justice.