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## EDITORIAL

# 81ST ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREAT OCTOBER REVOLUTION!

The Russian revolution in October 1917 brought about the greatest turning point in the history of the world as it thundered all over the globe, and in its path it called upon the working class to rise up and overthrow the chains that bound them. For thousands of years the world was ruled by the exploiting classes.

The October Revolution represented not only the triumph of the working class, but also the victory of Marxism-Leninism over reformism. The success of the revolution was due to the Bolsheviks having learned throughout their struggles against all enemies, both internal and external, how to unify the workers in order to overthrow the hated regime of the Tsar and then the reformist Kerensky government which wanted to stifle the revolution from going to its final revolutionary victory.

It is correct to state that since 1917 the ideas of the October Revolution have been the center of fierce ideological struggle. For nearly 8 decades Imperialists have been trying to slander the October Revolution. In order to divert the workers from the revolution the enemies have promoted anti-Communism in all of its forms, from the right wing varieties, to the more insidious reformism and revisionist varieties.

Unfortunately these enemies, both external and internal



managed to temporarily dismember the Soviet Union. The lessons that the working class of the world must learn is to be on guard against internal enemies who mask themselves as "revolutionaries, communist followers and patriots" while doing the disruptive work inside the movement.

The tragedy of the temporary demise of socialism and of Soviet Union was the cardinal fact that after Stalin died in 1953, Krushchev transformed the party of the working class into the "party of all the people" after which the working class was rejected from the governing of Society. That is when the party started to slowly degenerate. Under the slogan of "criticism of the cult of personality" of Stalin, the party leadership underwent massive changes, being replaced by many apparatchiks (bureaucratic functionaries) loyal to Krushchev.

The party then became a revisionist party.

Northstar Compass has, since its foundation 7 years ago has gathered and printed news items from former Soviet Union, showing the path that these former "communists" have taken in order to fulfill the plans of CIA and Imperialism.

Soviet people are realizing the tremendous peril for themselves and for the working class of the world. The storm is brewing and the spark is ignited that will bring the day closer for another Socialist Revolution.

**LET US HOLD THE RED BANNER HIGH**

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

## **GET READY FOR THE RUTHLESS ECONOMY!**

The present cardinal truth and the indisputable fact is that Globalization means that people (workers) are kept on the job until they can be replaced by cheaper candidates!

The lifeblood of Imperialism and their drive for global economy is mobility. The present multinational or transnational corporations are free to resettle as migratory birds with constantly changing nesting grounds.

Corporations no longer have the responsibility to the work force. Their bottom line is the numbered accounts in Swiss banks, a Leichtenstein trust, or the offices of some lawyers in a Panama hat in the Cayman Islands.

The drive is towards having a borderless economy for super profits in countries with no labor laws and extremely cheap labor force. The scope and size of these transnational corporations is difficult to grasp and ever more difficult to credit.

According to one recent study, of the world's largest economies, 51 are corporations of enormous size. U.S. Wal-Mart, as an example, has greater revenues than the gross domestic product of 161 countries of the world!

These companies call themselves multinational or transnational, but they mostly roost where taxes are the lowest and the worker protection laws are the meanest. One third of the world's private sector are already owned by these megacompanies and the drive is to own the rest. They have their own fibre-optic circuits and private computer networks. Encryption reigns in order to have their transactions kept secret from even their own governments. □

## **WHO SAID THIS?**

"If we have to use force, it is because we are America. We are the indispensable nation. We stand tall. We see further into the future."

*Secretary of State of USA, Madeline Albright, February 1998, on NBC's "Today" show.*

"Eight years of economic warfare and sanctions resulted in the deaths of over half a million children. More than 4,500 children under the age of five are dying each month from hunger and disease."

*UNICEF report to the United Nations Organization.*

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# BETTER LATE THEN NEVER!

Communist newspapers in Moscow denounce snackers as "satanic cannibals".

*If our readers will remember, the Editors of NSC published this macabre story in Vo.6 #10 issue of Northstar Compass under the heading of "Ritualistic Cannibalism in Yeltin's Russia"*

In a newspaper report from Moscow by Geoffrey York of the newspaper Globe and Mail, Canada, that was dated October 17, 1998. It is evident that only NOW the "communist deputy" Anatoly Lukyanov demanded that the artists that designed this "Slice of Lenin" should be prosecuted.

We have no opposition to this call for prosecution, even though its months old and somehow these "communists" finally hope to start some action. But, against the artists? What about against the regime that promoted and allowed this event as a "Eat a Slice of Lenin" to take place in the first place?

Even the enemies of communism and Soviet Union were shocked at this uncivilized modern "satanic cannibals". But why, let us ask the question...why did it take the "communists" 5 months to bring this matter up? Why not

also try to jail Mr. Tarabarov, the gallery director in whose gallery this "event" took place? This Tarabarov stated that this event was "an artistic statement"!

As we said, better late than never!



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# RUSSIAN MAFIA POISED FOR THE KILL!

Boris Yeltsin lately is a pathetic figure according to the news media, especially after his pathetic tragic-comic visit to Central Asia, which ended earlier because of the "sniffles". Even the so-called friends of Yeltsin who circulate all sorts of all stories about Yeltsin, and sensing that Boris is no longer useful to them or to Yankee Imperialism.

Knowing that Yeltsin is on his last leg, and being supported by Western backers, these elements are being more brave and outright attacking Yeltsin.

Let us look at the top contender who is vying for the presidency when Yeltsin no longer is needed by the West.

Yuri Luzhkov, the present outrageous mayor of Moscow, who has turned this city into a private business empire for himself, his cronies and his now existing presidential campaign.

Few months ago, when Kremlin was in a crisis, Luzhkov proposed himself for the job. He lies even to his mentor Yeltsin...making many statements and then denying them.

What does Luzhkov own in Moscow?

\*National TV network, based in Moscow that he monopolizes himself in his daily sessions.

\*Moscow spent a fortune for the 850th Anniversary celebrations of Moscow, where Luzhkov commanded every event.

\* The first International Youth Olympics was such a farce that hardly anyone watched the show, but Luzhkov and his face appeared always.

With thanks to Toronto Sun newspaper



\* He, being a demagogue, attacks the West in his speeches to home audiences, while making deals with the West for his own enrichment..

\* The hundreds of millions of dollars poured in by the IMF has gone ONLY to enrich Moscow and the prestige of Luzhkov.

Outside of Moscow, you cannot find anyone that had a good word to say about Luzhkov. Outside of Moscow people know that Luzhkov and his cronies have spirited outside the country the wealth of the country.

Moscow's ultra-smug and ultra-greedy elite's are keen on Luzhkov. It's their man and

some observers are wondering as to who is the Sugar Daddy in the West that wants to see Luzhkov in the Kremlin?

We are wondering as to why some leader of the Communist party is so chummy with this demagogue and outright crook and traitor?

*We wrote about different scenarios that the West is preparing for Russia, but as of this moment it seems that Mayor Luzhkov of Moscow is leading the pack of trecherous wolves!*

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# NEWS DIGEST COMMENT

## WE CLING TO DOGMA AS A NATION COLLAPSES

By Stephen F. Cohen

*Los Angeles Times, 9/27/1998*

America is closing its heart to the suffering of the majority of Russian people.

Ever since the U.S. government launched an inherently doomed crusade seven years ago to transform post-Soviets into a replica of the American system, it has been only a matter of time before that missionary arrogance led to disaster and clamorous shouts of "Who lost Russia?"

Fifty years ago, American politicians and media asked the same question about China, with malignant consequences. The immediate result was virulent McCarthyism, the enduring consequences a political "mainstream" as narrow and barren as a dry creek.

The question about Russia (Soviet Union-Editors) must therefore be answered before it too becomes cancerous. The collapse of Yeltsinism-those U.S.-backed, shock therapy, monetarist policies that have helped bring about the worst economic and social devastation ever suffered by a modern country in peacetime, indeed its virtual demodernization - is also a collapse of the Clinton administration's Russia policy.

But this does not mean that President Clinton, his advisors

or the United States has lost Russia. If by that is meant squandering prospects for democracy, prosperity and social well being, it was President Boris Yeltsin and his "radical reformers" who lost Russia. Nothing and no one forced them to impose America's ill-conceived prescription on their nation.

But America is in danger of losing something equally important in Russia - its moral reputation. In the name of Yeltsin's purported "reforms" since 1991, the US government has closed its eyes to the suffering of the great majority of Russian families, the same ones whose fate it so lamented when they were Soviet people. The Clinton administration is now compounding the sin by protesting the new Russian government's desperate attempt to change economic policy in order to prevent a still greater human catastrophe. (The International Red Cross and Red Crescent has warned that as winter rapidly approaches, millions of Russian lives are endangered by shortages of food, medicine and heating, and has called for a humanitarian aid campaign.) Yeltsin may have lost Russia, but we are losing our soul there.

And even our vaunted "national security". For the first time in history, a country laden with nuclear weapons and reactors is on the verge of complete collapse, its economic, social, political and military institutions nearly in tatters. Almost every week brings new reports of the disintegration of Russia's nuclear safeguards. If it continues, as now seems likely, we will be confronted with an unprecedented peril, certainly one larger than any we faced during the Cold War.

And yet, our president (Clinton), who swore to uphold both our values and national

security, can no longer do either, only cling to discredited dogmas about "staying the course" in Russia and at home.

### COMMENT

*We give credit to Stephen Cohen for his analyses because he tears off the mask from what is really at the core of the troubles in former Soviet Union. He is very astute as to who is to blame, but, writing for a capitalist, and in reality, an anti-Communist paper, he of course couches his criticism and does not in fact state the absolute truth or put the blame at the USA and its transnational corporate powers for the demise of the USSR. To state as he says that "USA did not force Yeltsin to start and proceed with the reforms" is stretching it a bit to say the least.*

*Whatever the weakness in his analyses, Cohen is stating the truth for the capitalist class, hoping that they will change the course of events that are boiling inside former USSR and in this way save the capitalist experiment. But this cannot be stopped! Soviet people are becoming more and more convinced that they were sold down the river by their so-called "communist leaders"*

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their lives on behalf of  
the restoration of  
Socialism in the former  
Soviet Union!**

Lydia S. Karhu  
Cosmopolis, Wa. USA

# SPORT NO LONGER IS SPORT IN RUSSIA!

The Soviet once proud national hockey league is falling apart and its players are being bought and sold like other capitalist merchandise.

The whole world was awe struck by the tremendous achievement of their hockey, its sportsmanship, dedication and new tactics which were copied even by the long established professional hockey teams of Canada and USA..

Where are the glorious days of Red Army, Spartak, Wings of the Soviet, Dynamo and other 22 hockey teams that USSR was fielding, training, guiding, giving them perks above and beyond the call of reason?

More than 100 players now were bought like chattels by the National Hockey League of Canada and USA.

Even Western sports ana-

lysts say that when Gorbachev came on the scene, this was one of the first things he did - gave the green light for Western multimillionaire owners of Hockey Teams to come and buy the best players in order to exploit them, then when they prove older and not efficient, they get thrown out like a sack of worthless corn stalks.

Of course people will say that these players make millions. Of course some do. But, where were they trained? Who paid for all of their training, schooling upkeep and other perks? That was one of the weaknesses of the system, started by Krushchev.

Forgive us dear readers for asking this question: "What is the difference between a prostitute and a professional hockey player?"

Both go to bed with whoever pays the desired amount!

Where is that pride that was showed by the Soviet hockey players when they played on the world arena?

Now the present hockey

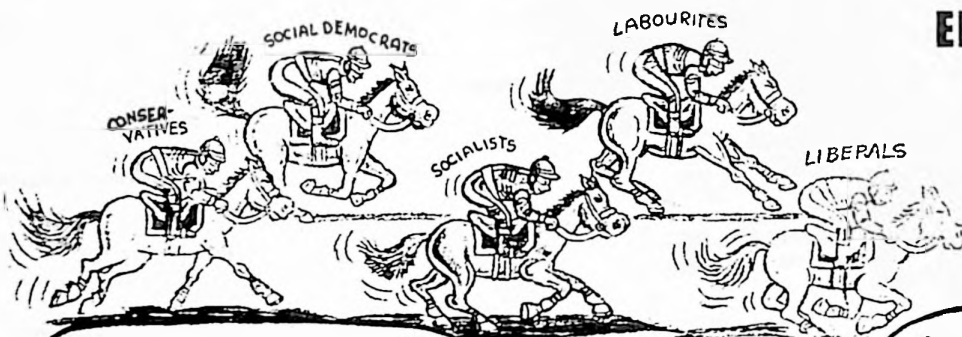
teams survive only because hockey has spread its roots so deeply in former Soviet Union. Even under capitalism the financial help trickles down to the numerous hockey teams and leagues that exist. It seems that in Russia everything is done to discourage the patriotism of this sport and to sell whomever, just in order to get hard currency.

Another pertinent question is this...what would happen to Canadian or American professional hockey if it wasn't for the over 100 former Soviet hockey players filling these teams?

# THE SELL OUT IS COMPLETE!

Under the tutelage and pressure of U.S. Imperialism, President Bill Clinton has added another Halo around his head (this time, as opposed to another part of his body) by

# ELECTIONS IN A CAPITALIST COUNTRY!



Who do you think will win?



It doesn't make any difference. We have the control of the creation of the money, so we have the power! The winner will continue to do what we will order!

WITH THANKS TO MICHAEL NEWSPAPER-CANADA





**ARAFAT AND  
NATANYAHU LOVE IN!**



brokering a PEACE PACT between Israel and Palestinians!

Wonders never cease!

It was agreed by Arafat and Israel that that upstanding, democratic, noble, upfront organization, the CIA, will be the body that will make certain that this sell-out of Palestinian people by Arafat shall be supervised by the Yankee watch dogs!

Does that not make you proud, dear readers?

Between Yeltsin the King of Vodka and Clinton the King of Sex, the world can sleep peacefully while these "leaders of democracy" play with future of humanity!

Palestinians, Israelites, American and Soviet people shall eventually put an end to this madness once for all time!

## DID YOU KNOW?

When Nikita Krushchev was the First Secretary of CPSU after the death of Stalin in 1953, he did the following as the first step in liquidating the CPSU of its dedicated communists and eventually to bring about capitalism and dismemberment of the USSR. We must admit that the following was done even before the 20th Congress when Krushchev attacked the "Cult of Personality" of J.V. Stalin.

Krushchev just in Ukraine alone got rid of over 9,000 party secretaries from their positions, in Georgia he fired over 2,500 first secretaries of CPSU. Immediately after the XX Congress Krushchev gave the command to free over 7,000 anti-Soviet provocateurs who were sentenced for crimes against the USSR.

After that Krushchev opened up the attack against the "anti-party group" which included Molotov, Voroshilov, Malenkov and Budyony. He then "cleansed" the party of dedicated Marxists - Leninists dedicated Bosheviks. Krushchev knew that his attack against Stalin was not popular, he then started to promise economic miracles, that we're going to enter "Communism" etc. etc.

The highest posts in the Government were then given to the "liberated victims of Stalin". He then started the campaign to build "communism" in the villages. He ordered the slaughter of all cattle and stock, tried to do away with orchards and thus the people on the collective farms, instead of being the producers, became instead consumers needing to buy outside the borders of USSR the food that they before produced. Then the Krushchev regime started to dismantle collective farms as "unproductive" and "not very profitable".

People protested and it came to such an impasse that in the city of Novocherkas - the people went on strike to demand the removal of the present regime and Krushchev ordered tanks of the Soviet Army against its own people.

Then the REAL cult of Krushchev started to be promoted and foisted on the Soviet people.



Details taken from the book "Lefortov Dialogue" written by Victor Anpilov when he was in jail in 1993-4, put there by Yeltsin.

## AS I SEE IT!

### FROM EUROPE

By Jerry Morse

The news in Austria is that the Russian working-class and the present Duma (Parliament) now should implement currency control and other measures in order to help the country out of its present terrible hardships.

These international brain-hunters that descended on the Soviet people like locusts can no longer feel safe, since the strikes by the workers are an ever-growing concern to these people like Berezovsky, Soros or Gusinsky.

As an example, in Austria where I'm at the moment, these businessmen are chartering bus tours of Austrians to tour the Austrian Lassing mine disaster (at high prices) so that the tourists can pick up a small bag of mine-slag and then ride joyously on the buses, accompanied by loud music! Is this not ghoulish! How

do the families of these miners feel who are still buried under this disaster which could have been avoided if the safety measures were made!

Look at these money manipulators! They scoop up great profits world-wide - USSR, South East Asia, Latin America, Africa, Canada, and Australia, by breaking the value of local currency.

These crooked politicians, war lords, criminal justice systems and greedy shareholders, religiously use statistical theft as one of the corporate policies acceptable in the free market world. How long we of the working class will allow this to go on?

So, exploiters of the Soviet Union like Berezovsky, Soros and others like Gusinsky and Potanin - the working class is breaking their chains, in spite of all the covert and overt schemes by the present opposition in the Russian Duma...your days are numbered!

## NEWS FROM FORMER SOVIET UNION

### THEY SOLD THEM FOR \$1,500!

From newspaper  
INFOTRADE  
TORONTO CANADA

What to do! What to do! Oksana did not know what to do. She was looking for a job in Moscow, any job. She lived with her mother and grandmother. Her mother was a good teacher. Shortly after she received a telephone call from her friend Masha. Dancers were needed abroad...we can get this job in Italy...today at 2

PM we shall meet the agent. They dressed in their finest and went to meet this agent.

Few days later, the eight girls met and under the guidance of this "agent" they took the train to Uzhgorod, Ukraine, and from there onwards to Yugoslavia and then to Italy. In sunny Italy they traveled by train, bus and car and then when they had to walk over the mountains, they knew then that they were doing something illegal.

When they reached their destination, they were met by a woman who introduced herself and stated emphatically: "Now you belong to me, I bought all of you for a few thousand American dollars...when you pay off this debt, you will be free to go home!" Soon the girls found out that they were in Bosnia, and they were ushered into a Bordello as prostitutes, serving Bosnian soldiers.

Oksana and Masha stayed and served until they decided to escape. But they were caught, beaten savagely. Next month, Masha could not stand this and decided to hang herself. Oksana, after ten months of being a sex slave, escaped. She was lucky. She returned home, became despondent, sick, afraid of every shadow.

She was taken to a psychiatric hospital and is under constant care. She was lucky. But, how many thousands of young girls are prisoners of this sex trade?

Who is going to answer for all this? Who is responsible for deaths and the fate of these girls? How many people in power in former USSR are guilty of this, knowing what is happening, getting their 30 pieces of silver in order to keep quiet?

Yeltsin and his rotten regime shall pay for their crimes. The problems is unemployment, the West propa-

gated this propaganda; mafiosi structures and thousands upon thousands of young people unemployed.. This is the wild capitalism that is reigning temporarily in all of former Soviet Union.

Petro Yushczenko  
Kiev, Ukraine

P.S. Maybe the castle in Germany that was bought by the daughter of Yetsin for millions of Yankee dollars will be put to use for profit *as her* "Castle Bordello"!

FROM NEWSPAPER  
"MOLNIYA"  
MOSCOW

## STALINGRAD SHALL RETURN!



24 deputies of Volgograd Regional Duma from 25 have agreed to support a Referendum to return back to the hero city the name of Stalingrad. This signed appeal has been given to the Volgograd City Council of behalf of thousands of signatures by the people. Already there are cries of "unnecessary expense" of this move. The rabid anti-Soviet and anti-Communist newspaper from Moscow - the "Komsomol Pravda" is attacking the peoples yearning, proposal, quoting an "anonymous letter" from Volgograd citizen.

These reactionary scribes are careful to just write that this change-over shall be "costly" during these hard economic times.

But the citizens of Volgograd are also asking the question as to why the present City renegades when they

changed the name of Stalingrad to Volgograd never had a referendum or thought about the costs involved?

The people are organizing and demanding that the name of Stalingrad be implemented, for it is here where the back of the German fascists hordes was broken. It was here in 1943 that victory was won, and victory shall be won again. Let this moment come soon and the name of Stalingrad rein, and we shall again defeat the modern day fascists!

S.Pavlov

## MILITANT WORKER DIES!

A militant of the Kazakhstan workers movement, 28 years old, Sergei Kolokolov has died in hospital in Uralsk for his pro-Soviet activities. Last year he was arrested and spent more than 5 months in jail charged with making "graffities" considered as "hooligans" by the present Kazakh authorities. The graffiti was anti-Nazarbayev, president of Kazakhstan and also it was anti-capitalist in character.

Kolokolov and two of his comrades (Aimur Kurmanov among them) were put on a political trial behind closed doors. They were persecuted and threatened by authorities who were scared of labor unrest and strikes, blockades of roads and other protests organized by the Workers movement and its leaders in Uralsk, Kurmanov and Kolokov.

The public defenders warned the authorities about the poor health of Sergei Kolokolov who was in hospital during the trial, for several weeks. Despite all the applications submitted by the public defenders, he was not set free and suffered from terrible conditions and ill treatment while in prison. After the lib-

eration, his health continued to deteriorate, but he could not receive any medical help. The Workers movement and people Kazakhstan has lost one of its most active militants.

Elena

### COMMENT

*Nazarbaev, the present dictator of Kazakhstan, used to be a member of Soviet CPSU and its Central Committee. Now he acts as if Kazakhstan was his kingdom. Oh yes, he is selling off the riches of Kazakhstan to the West, while the Kazakh people live in terrible economic conditions. But, his days are numbered. There are more patriots like Sergei Kolokolov!*

## INSTEAD OF PAYMENT - CAR TIRES!

During Soviet times the city of "Belaya Tserkov, population of 250,000 was the center of industry and economic life. At this time the industry is barely alive. Here there are over 6,000 unemployed who are registered, but, there are in actual fact over 22,000. Thrown out of work, the people are forced to means that might feed their families, sell, beg, steal and become shysters in order to live.



Markets as above photo shoes are common. These workers who did not get paid for months, were given TIRES instead of money as payment. These workers are forced

to sell tires on the main highway between Kiev and Odessa!

From newspaper "Tovarish" Ukraine

### COMMENT

*It is extremely hard for some readers of NSC to understand this. Workers in most capitalist countries would rebel first before taking such payment. We wonder if our Ukrainian readers would explain to us this phenomena. Even workers who are reactionary in their outlook, would under no condition take this "payment" in lieu of wages earned and worked for!*

## MUTINY STARTING IN FORMER SOVIET ARMY!

Georgian soldiers (formerly Georgian Soviet Republic) started a mutiny against the present regime of Shevernadze. They clashed with personal troops of Shevernadze, blocked roads with tanks and started an advance on the



city of Kutaisi. One soldier and 4 rebels were killed. These 200 soldiers are fiercely opposed to Shevernadze and his capitalist regime. Villagers around Kutaisi joined the rebel soldiers. The Georgian Defense Ministry admitted that there is fighting in many parts of the republic.

*Shevernadze, a former member of the Politburo of CC CPSU, its former Foreign Minister and one of the architects of "destroyka".*

# OCTOBER 7TH- MILLION MARCH, DEMAND THAT YELTSIN RESIGN!

Bourgeois media tried to belittle the protest demonstrations that took place all over Russia on October 7th, but the stories did slip out and some newspapers covered it fully, while others belittled the turn out.

The peaceful protest was the biggest since the collapse of the Soviet Union, but most demonstrators were openly pessimistic that they will be able to throw Yeltsin out of office. Capitalist newspapers reported the fact that the protest was weakened by the feuding amongst the many parties and movements, all pulling their own strings. The protests were organized by trade unions and different

Communist parties and peoples movements. They called for unpaid wages and the resignation of Yeltsin.

The figures vary, but everyone agreed that the million figure is closer to the truth, because workers downed tools in their factories in sympathy with the protests.

There were over 1.4 million protesters in 820 cities and towns across Russia.

What was interesting is that not until this protest took place did any of the large trade unions demand the resignation of Yeltsin.

It seems, according to Reuters International Report that most of the leadership of the country-wide protests are divided as to who should replace Yeltsin. Some want Mayor of Moscow Luzhkov, while others want General Lebed who is now Governor in Siberia in Krasnoyarsk.

Mr. Shmakov, the trade union leader in Moscow told correspondents that: "We do not want to go back to communism

at all, but we do not want Yeltsin also!"

## COMMENT-

*The success of the demonstration cannot be underestimated. The fervent demands and the movement towards unity is gathering momentum and, in spite of some of the leadership of this movement, the Soviet people are beginning to realize as to where they are being led.*

*It is unfortunate that the leadership of some communist parties, plus the trade union leadership are trying to sidetrack the ferment and channel it into cooperation with the capitalist-robber regime by trying to make the system more palatable to the Soviet People. Even Western media pundits state now openly that Yeltsin is hated by the overwhelming majority of Russian people. But Yeltsin was given such powers by even the CPRF members in the Duma.*



Soviet people are ready to support the overthrow of present Western backed regime. The element that is missing is a united leadership or a patriotic leader, a dedicated Communist-Bolshevik to lead the people towards victory!

## WHAT CAPITALIST NEWSPAPERS TRY TO HIDE!

Below we publish some photographs that appeared in newspaper "Molniya", Moscow about events that took place recently in Russia.

Unfortunately these photographs came later when our NSC for October was already at the printers.

### PHOTO #1-

The March on Moscow organized by "Trudovaya Rossia" was a success and it is the prelude towards the upcoming Congress to reconstitute the CPSU. Here you see the slogan: "LENIN! STALIN! USSR!"

### PHOTO #2-

The youngsters in this photo are from Chuvash Republic - they came to Moscow to sing for the striking miners who were holding a sit down in



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front of the government building. The militia started to hound these youngsters(choir) so that people had to hide them in their houses as organized by Victor Anpilov. The Choir then came to the Lenin Mausoleum, laid fresh flowers and took this picture with the workers who are members of "Trudovaya Rossia".

### PHOTO #3-

When President Clinton was in Moscow, a large demonstration took place in front of the U.S. Embassy with slogans such as "Yankee-out of Europe!", "USA Empire of Evil!", plus demands to get U.S. troops out of Korea, Cuba and from all of Europe.



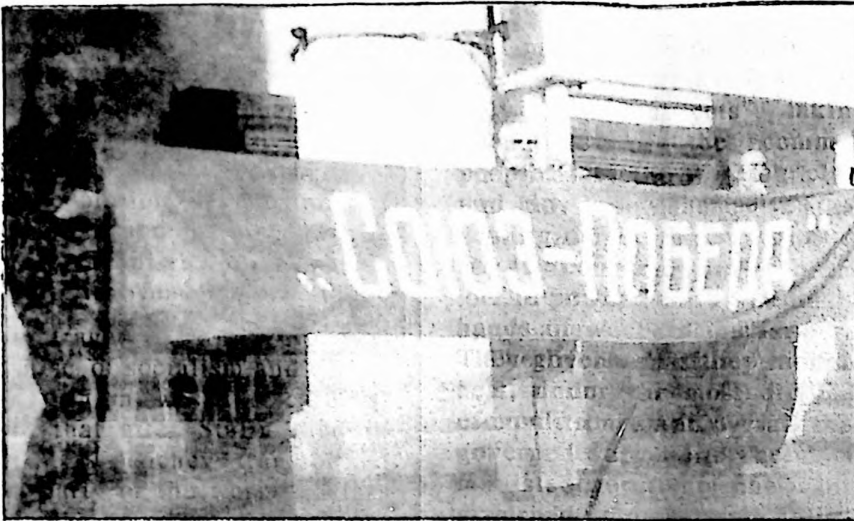
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### PHOTO #4 -

On October 3, 1993 in Moscow, there took place the bombardment of the House of Soviets by tanks and cannons and hundreds of deaths at the command of Yeltsin the Butcher! A demonstration was organized at this carnage place and demands were made for all those who were responsible, be tried as criminals. Parents of those killed spoke, marched with photographs of their loved ones who died defending the Soviet Union!



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**FIVE  
YEARS  
SINCE  
RED  
OCTOBER  
1993!**

PHOTO #5 -

From the newspaper "Word of a Communist", Odessa, shows that the "Union of Soviet Officers of Ukraine" is active and struggling for the resurrection of the USSR.

**THE STRUGGLE GOES ON!**

FROM NEWSPAPER  
"RADIANSKA VOLYN"  
UKRAINE

**THEY'RE SELLING  
GIRLS OF  
UKRAINE!**

There is a scandal brewing after a report was published that there is a very large growing illegal market of whiter slavery of young women from Ukraine. This is not done by the Crimean Tatars as was done long ago in Ukrainian history. This present day "white slavers" are done by "personnel business firms" who are registered by the present Kuchma government.

These "legal businessmen" of the "Independent Ukraine" promise these girls American dollars working in foreign countries. They are told that they shall be working as dancers, waitresses, guides and other professions. These girls, with no jobs in Ukraine and with no control by the authorities are easy prey to these sex entrepreneurs..

They even recruit young girls from 10-15 years of age, telling them they shall be quartered with rich families to be baby sitters.

As was reported by N.I.Karpovich from the Human Rights group in Ukraine Parliament that there are already 6,000 Ukrainian girls are already sold into sex slavery in Istanbul, Turkey now. This sex trade encompasses close to 800,000 women world wide, with international Mafia connections.

All this white slave trade could not be proceeded with without full knowledge and profit by the present bourgeois regime of Ukrainian nationalists. A TV program in Kiev showed interviews with some of the girls that managed to escape this sex slavery. It was impossible to not cry and demand justice after you've heard the horror stories told. Many girls cannot stand this shame, the guilt of being fooled and exploited and thus hundreds of Ukrainian girls commit suicide in Turkey, ashamed, even if they could get away, to come home to their families.

The underhanded change of money, payoff off with the present leaders of Ukraine is a well known secret, even Mafiosi elements brag about this.

No one is looking into this slavery...no one is taking these "businessmen" to task as criminals. The Mafiosi elements are so strong, are so heavily subsidizing some of the present personalities of the Kuchma regime, that there is absolutely silence on the part of the authorities.

No one is coming to the defense of these girls, sold into slavery as in the days of old. A question is more and more asked by the people of Ukraine as to the role of the wife of President Kuchma and her organization "Wife of the President-to the children of Ukraine"!

It is a fact that because of unemployment, no future for young people, no opportunity in life, these young people are deluded by promises of American dollars and fooled by propaganda and these plans are made outside our country, since it's better to get potential revolutionaries outside the country.

There must be a turn to socialism, as the only solution to this trade in human flesh. □

## FOR ONE PARTY

The temporary Central Committee of the Communist Party of Soviet Union, plus the Executive Committee of "Trudovaya Rossiya", the Editorial Board of the newspaper "Molniya" received over 600 letters to suggest, improve and approval of the proposed program and Constitution for the reconstructed CPSU. Majority of the proposals are in agreement with the forthcoming Congress of CPSU which shall be held in Moscow in the

middle of December of this year.

*Accompanying this article is the drawing we publish which spells out "YEDINSTVO" (UNITY). In the December or January issue of NSC we shall publish the results of this very important Congress for the resurrection of the Soviet Union.*

*Although the Editor of NSC, Michael Lucas, received an invitation to attend, there is no chance that he will receive his Russian visa, since he was refused so many times before.*



FROM NEWSPAPER  
"BOLSHEVIK  
STAVROPOLYA"  
MINERALNY VODY, RUSSIA

## UNITE? BUT WITH WHOM?

In talking with people, young and old, former members of CPSU, non-party people, workers, intelligencia, pensioners, you always hear the same question "why do you communists, not unite into one party?"

Our party, the AUCPB, standing on the positions of Marxism-Leninism, Stalinism - many times have stated: we shall not join with opportunist,

who agree with capitalist reforms - this would devastate our AUCPB and go away from the science of Marxism. Our slogan is: Workers of the whole world unite!" We uplift the meaning and glory of the word "worker"!

The bourgeois parties and those who cooperate with them look at the worker as a profit motif.

Until 1917 Mensheviks also called themselves Socialists, plus the Bund, Assers, but the Russian Social Democratic Revolutionary Party (B) did not unite with any other party.

Our fathers and grandfathers were politically more astute than some of us now.

It is time that the workers should see the difference between the parties, especially those that call themselves Communist. Must we be put down even more by the present regime until we are able to see the difference?

N. Ananiev  
Member of AUCPB

FROM NEWSPAPER  
"TRUDOVAYA ROSSIA"  
MOSCOW, RUSSIA

## SOROS GETTING RICH FROM RUSSIA!

The Deputy of the Russian Duma Alexander Vengerovsky states, that in order to devalue the Russian ruble as proposed by former Prime Minister Kirienko on August 17, the group headed by George Soros the U.S. billionaire is going to make a tremendous profit.

"I studied Soros since 1991 - said Vengerovsky - when his project was being put into life in the Russian economy. Today the group headed by Soros - is the most dangerous and professional and radical groups amongst the stock exchange fraternity. Its main task is to devalue all currencies on which they make tremendous profits.

According to experts who should know, Soros can at anytime he cares to, can put unto the world market in order to destabilize it over \$50 billion U.S.

During spring of this year, Soros by this method caused the Asian currency crashes which are still trying to get on their feet now. He made billions of profit from there devaluation.

Having put the Asian and Pacific rim countries in to financial tailspin, Soros is now

concentrating on the European markets.

"It is now known that Soros at the moment is signing and making deals in order to devalue the German mark currency, playing on the weakness of the English sterling pounds. The task is very simple, bring up even more the value of the U.S. dollar at the expenses of other currencies of the world. For what purpose? It is very simple - next year will see the appearance of a new European currency - Euro. People are becoming to realize that the appearance of the Euro Dollar means a struggle not for life but struggle to the death... between USA and Europe. The American tactics are to make certain that Europe remains weak, both economically and militarily.

By forcing the devaluation of the English pound, the Soros group, according to Vengerovsky, shall make the dollar strongest over the German Mark, and then over the Euro dollar.

Russia, which has become now the best market and partner, awaits a economic and financial crisis of enormous proportions.

### COMMENT

*Of course George Soros the unscrupulous financier would not be doing this on his own. The U.S. Imperialism is giving him the green light to devastate other countries and currencies.*

*There is no love lost between capitalist countries and the future holds danger of struggles between capitalist countries themselves for super profits and markets.*

**YOU HAVE AN OPINION ABOUT NSC? WRITE!**

## FACTS AND FIGURES DO NOT LIE!

NSC has reported on the devastation in former USSR very extensively and sometimes it is depressing to read. But...facts are facts and the Soviet people are coming to see these facts clearly and the storm is brewing that shall not stop until the situation comes back to normal - to socialism.

\*USSR was an exporting nation after the Second World War that not only built up its own ruined economy but was able to give economic assistance to needy countries of the world.

\*Russian national wealth has been plundered and taken into foreign banks to the tune of over \$1.2 trillion dollars.

\*Russia is a debtor country, owing over \$125 billion.

\*Industrial output fell by 81%.

\*Gross National Domestic Product fell by 83%.

\*More than 5,000 major industries were shut down.

\*Inflation is over 350%.

\*Per capita incomes have fallen over 58%.

\*Over 13,000,000 are unemployed.

\*Since abolishing of state and collective farms, there are over 60% of arable land not being used.

More and more facts are emerging which is blamed on the Soviet legacy of "planned economy", but the market reforms that were instituted by these present "democrats" and traitors following orders from IMF and World Bank...these are the architects of this calamity, besides their underlings in former Soviet Union, who are the modern Quislings!

Capitalism is itself in crisis all over the world!



## PHOTOS THAT SPEAK VOLUMES!

This little girl is begging on the streets of Kiev, asking: "PLEASE HELP ME DEAR PEOPLE, SO THAT I CAN BUY MY SCHOOL BOOKS!"



We wonder what this veteran, with medals on his chest is yelling at the Kuchma regime in Kiev: "IS THIS WHY I SHED MY BLOOD?"



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

## YELTSIN VOWS TO STAY PUT UNTIL 2000!

Reuters-AP dispatch from Moscow informed the world that President Yeltsin vowed to finish his term as president until the year 2000! He could not give a hoot about the over a million protesters that marched all over Russia in a day of protest!

And where do you suppose he made this statement? Of course, to the newly appointed officers of the Russian Army. Let us not be so naive as to underestimate Yeltsin. He has already replaced the Officers with his own, all across Russia, making certain that no Officer is promoted unless he is 100% loyal to Boris(Vodka) Yeltsin!"

BUT...the sad part is that a "communist" who was approved by Yeltsin and his regime to be the Speaker of the Duma, Gennady Seleznyov, a member of the CPRF (Zyuganov), the "loyal opposition in the Russian Duma" that he was "open to becoming a presidential candidate if he was asked to run by the left and centrist parties and regional leaders".

There it is!

Here's a "communist" who was a member of the Politburo of CPSU, who well knows the teachings of Marx, Lenin and Stalin regarding any "presidency" that it is not in the tradition of Russian or other Soviet peoples or system of Socialism to have a presidency.

This is another idea as to where the present leaders of CPRF stands...not to reconstitute the Soviet Union, not to bring back Socialism, but to try and improve capitalism so that it would be more palatable for the Soviet people!



Are these two leaders (Yasser Arafat and Boris Yeltsin) meeting in Moscow, comparing notes as to how they managed to do away with socialism.

## BIRDS OF A FEATHER?

**"WE SHOULD HAVE RANG THE BELL, BUT WE ONLY DEMANDED!"**

Yes, we veterans, in many respects are to blame ourselves that we allowed this calamity to take place around us. We should have long ago rang the bell as a danger signal, but we waited, for something that we are ourselves did not know what. I do not know, whether our grandchildren shall ever forgive us!

In order to defend myself, I never in my dreams could not believe as to what: has happened to us now, to our Motherland for whom we fought and died for so heroically. These traitors have done to our country what German fascists were not able to accomplish with arms.

A.P.Glazov  
Kiev, Ukraine

**PROFESSOR  
VLADIMIR  
HERASYMCHUK**



## **ONCE AGAIN ABOUT ANTI- STALINISM**

The latest events in the Ukraine, as in all of the other Republics of our Motherland, shows us clearly that the revolutionary struggles are growing step by step and getting hotter and more resolute. But unfortunately the struggles have not yet reached the position of being effective. This is explained in part by the fact that amongst the workers and farmers there is still no effective leader.. At the same time the people who are heading the various parties and movements, sometimes haven't the skills or purposely are leading their members in the wrong direction. But how can you recognize a genuine leader from a pseudo - demagogue, hiding himself under popular phrases their own hidden interior? It is the truth, that the criteria of political correctness in the first place is his or her attitude to the ownership of production and the dictatorship of the proletariat. We should not be afraid to use this terminology! The meaning of the dictatorship of the proletariat is in essence, the state of the workers, who live from the products of the production. In this regard it is necessary to understand, that "children of the cook", managed the Soviet

State much better than the present mayors and presidents. Is this not the truth? It is sad only, that "fat cats", taking advantage of the common people, left the working class and now they themselves are seating on the throne and ruining the country.

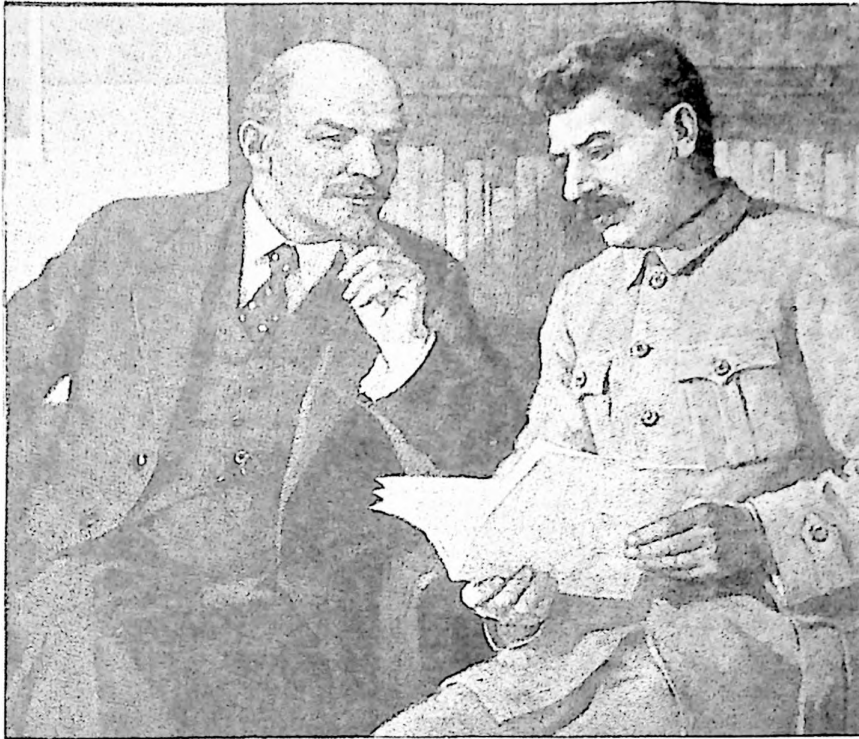
The power before was in the hands of workers and farmers. They governed as they thought best, under the most difficult of conditions. And overall they governed very well. The Communists were the ones that governed, planned and got results with J.V. Stalin as the leader of the Motherland. That is why the enemies of the working class of the world have concentrated their attacks against this person. They conjured from this brilliant leader a picture of complete opposite, which absolutely does not live up to reality. Unfortunately they managed to present this picture to the people. Therefore, in order to give rebirth and to resurrect our Motherland, the Soviet Union, socialism is impossible without opening these lies to scrutiny and facts for everyone to see. The rapid rise of the Soviet Union, its people, its industry and agriculture, the personality of Stalin...must be shown to the world as the correct path to the future.

Everyone knows, that in the struggles against opportunism and revisionism J.V. Stalin defended the purity of Marxism - Leninism. Not looking at the terrible external situation in which the Soviet Union had to build and exist, Stalin led the country to the first place in the world. Again, let us ask - was this not the truth? Therefore to throw away the role of the leader in our history-in the scientific knowledge of the development of our country and of Marxism-Leninism in daily life is to throw away the ideas of socialism and communism. In the present time we know that

anti-Stalinism turns into anti-communism. These enemies who mask their speeches with revolutionary slogans and pseudo-socialist slogans - in reality this in nothing but opportunism. Therefore the present leaders who say that they are leading the working class, but throw away the legacy and historical significance of Stalin, they cannot be political allies in the present struggle. The question here is not about the personage of J.V. Stalin as a concrete personality...the essence is about his teachings, his ideals, his struggles, in his politics as a leader of the communist movement.

Our main task - to defend Marxism-Leninism from anti-Stalinism, to cleanse it from the husks of opportunism, the ones who are against the dictatorship of the proletariat and for the ownership of production. Only by methodically dissecting the tenants of anti-Stalinism, pointing out that it is nothing but bourgeois-liberal, anti-peoples cover-up, can we concretely proceed to fight and struggle for the power of the working class. This is exactly what the present ruling Mafia is afraid of - the rebirth of the truth about J.V. Stalin. But the fact is this, that the work and the leadership of Stalin never died. He is living today and will in the hearts and minds of Soviet people.

The class struggles in this contemporary world of ours has become more bitter. Therefore do not be surprised by the fact that the anti-Stalinism is being pushed at a feverish pitch - this is meant to defuse, disarm and disunite the working class in their struggles. Unfortunately, the leaders of the opportunists parties have managed to split the working class in our country. Playing footsie with Imperialism, they travel further and further to the right. As an



example, when the Chairman of the Socialist Party of Ukraine Moroz was asked, as to how he can explain the fact of his party departing from Marxism-Leninism, he said, that "he cannot at this time give a concrete answer" to that question(?!). This just another example of the opportunistic road over which the Socialist Party of Ukraine is traveling, and it is on their anti-Stalinism, telling the audience to give it to the "archives of Lenin" to be studied. No, my dear "children - democrats" ! A study of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin never dies. Is this not so?

Yes, the left parties and movements are rising up and moving against the reactionary governments but not in a united front of struggle. That is why a political union-unity at this time is not possible as yet. But, our paths sometimes might come together in some concrete problems that arise against the governing Mafia. Of course, the coordination of such a common struggle is possible, and it must be said necessary. But this does not

mean that we are abandoning our principals. We must be always cognizant of the orientation in the class struggle. The tactics must be followed as was practiced by Lenin and Stalin. This orientation tactics must be understood by the working class. To present these tactics in popular form - this must be our task. This task is to make certain that the means of production belong to the working class. Only the working class and its ownership of the means of production can guarantee the benefits to all of the people.

One more thing - can anyone have any grounds to disagree that only this path will lead to socialism - meaning the dictatorship of the proletariat. Lenin and Stalin fought all their lives that the working class shall be victorious over capitalism. The contemporary Bolsheviks are leading towards this goal. □

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## OPEN LETTER TO PRESIDENT YELTSIN

Dear reader:

Below we publish this "Open Letter" by the Association of Friendship of Peoples of the Georgian Republic who have adopted our Call for an International Council fore Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People and are avid readers of Northstar Compass.

To:

Boris Yeltsin, President  
of Russia  
S.V.Primakov, Prime Minister  
of Russia  
E.S.Stroyev, Chairman of the  
Federation Council

Dear sirs:

We, the people of different nationalities, members of the Association for Friendship of Georgian Peoples are extremely worried about the strivings of individual representatives of the present ruling regime, plus the Orthodox Church and the mass media of Russia to start on the campaign to rebury the body of V.I.Lenin, the mankind genius, the creator of the first world's socialist state and of working people and the defender of the oppressed and unfairly treated, a fighter for peace, and friendship plus brotherhood amongst people.

We consider as the principal purpose of this campaign as a political one and we see that certain forces to rouse this Communist hysteria in order to distract the working class of Russia from the vital socio-political problems of the moment and keep the working class from going into struggle for the restoration the power of socialism and the prevent the movement towards the restoration of the fraternal peoples into a mighty union - the Soviet Federation of Equitable Sovereign Republics.

We are deeply convinced that the initiators of the persecution of Lenin are Yakovlev, A.Radsinsky, V.Novodvorskaya, V.Zhirinovskiy, E.Kiseliov plus N.Svanidze and company shall suffer the same dismal fate as that of A.Sobchak, the pioneer of the reburial campaign, one of the fathers of the so-called "Russian Democracy".

We would like to remind the above mentioned company that under the decisions of the XVIth session of UNESCO World Heritage Committee which took place in Canada in 1990, Lenin's Mausoleum was agreed upon by this United Nations body, is part the the Red Square ensemble and is inscribed on the list of world and nature heritage and is under protection of this International organization.

We warn all known and secret instigators of this scheme of reburial of V.I.Lenin, all those who hate Lenin -the leader of the world proletariat - of the inevitable responsibility if this action takes place.

We demand that the President, the Federal Assembly and the Government of the Russian Federation should take steps to stop this provocation for reburial of the body of V.I. Lenin and to immediately cease the anti-Communist hysteria, making a mockery of Russia's history and to restore the glory and history that is connected with V.I.Lenin's Mausoleum!

On behalf of the members of the Association for Friendship of Georgian Peoples

Avtandil Maruashvili  
President of the Association for Friendship of Georgian Peoples and  
Member of the International Committee for Unity and Fraternity of Peoples

FROM NEWSPAPER  
WORD OF A COMMUNIST  
ODESSA, UKRAINE

## UNITY OF ALL FORCES

In a very effective article, the author G.Tsushbaya, Editor of this newspaper analyzed the present situation in former Soviet Union at a Conference held in July of this year. We are just reprinting his concluding part, for lack of space.

### ABOUT UNITY OF FORCES

Looking at the facts that so far the unity of anti present regime forces still has not been concluded on the party basis, the alternative in the meanwhile is to organize all elements on the path of Soviet Liberation Movement. To accomplish this we must unite political, peoples movements, patriotic movements, veterans and the youth movements, women's and other organizations that are willing to devote their energies to the task of liberating this our Motherland from the foreign and internal enemies and strive for socialism. In order to do this, we must be a United Front movement that cannot afford to discriminate or argue forever about "isms" and their fine points and understanding. Our common unifying motto must be only: "Resurrect the power of the working class, rebirth of Soviet Union and Socialism!"

There must be one center and one center only. We must organize and establish the Government working underground. There are many centers now existing, all aimed at the same idea as I have proposed...there are now officially five such centers, all working separately. This of course in the long run is counter productive.

A National Defense Committee should also be set up, working underground. Such a Center must be the only one and its command must be obeyed.

Even though we must use all forms of protests, parliamentary and strikes, it is certainly true that with the social forces all organized by the present Yeltsin regime, the population cannot fight tanks, cannons, planes, TV connections just with a rifle in hand. This is not 1917. With the modern weaponry in the enemy hands, with NATO on the doorstep, it would be suicidal and would not accomplish the resurrection of the Soviet Union and socialism.

Until we are able to influence the military (or some sections of them) to our cause, the carnage that would follow would be horrendous. The present regime and NATO would not spare any efforts to drown the insurrection in blood. Therefore we must work underground, prepare both by



parliamentary means and underground attacks if we are to liberate our Motherland.

These struggles could be different, but the main aim is to reestablish socialism and the resurrection of the Soviet Union. A United Front is the answer at this moment of danger. Our foreign friends shall also help us to regain our Motherland.

G.U.Tsushbaya  
Editor



**GALINA  
SAVCHENKO**

**THEY ARE FIGHTING  
FOR THEIR  
MOTHERLAND - THE  
USSR!**

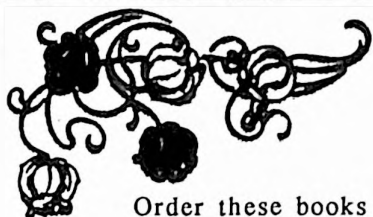
KONOKOP CITY- On October 1, 1998 delegates from 15 regions of Ukraine took part in the work of All Ukrainian meeting of the Union of Soviet Officers of Ukraine.

In the Presidium there were: A.Ogorodnikov, Major, who is the Chairman of this Officers Union; Colonel S.Terekhov, Chairman of the Union of Officers USSR (Russia); Lt. General of Aviation D.Ivanov, Chairman of the Byelorussian Union of Officers, plus Head of the High Command of this Union.

Beginning in 1992, there is an ongoing process of dismantling all of the Armed Forces, the Security Forces and Internal Security forces of Ukraine.

The country is now infested with the so-called defense organizations such as TESIS, who are doing disruptive

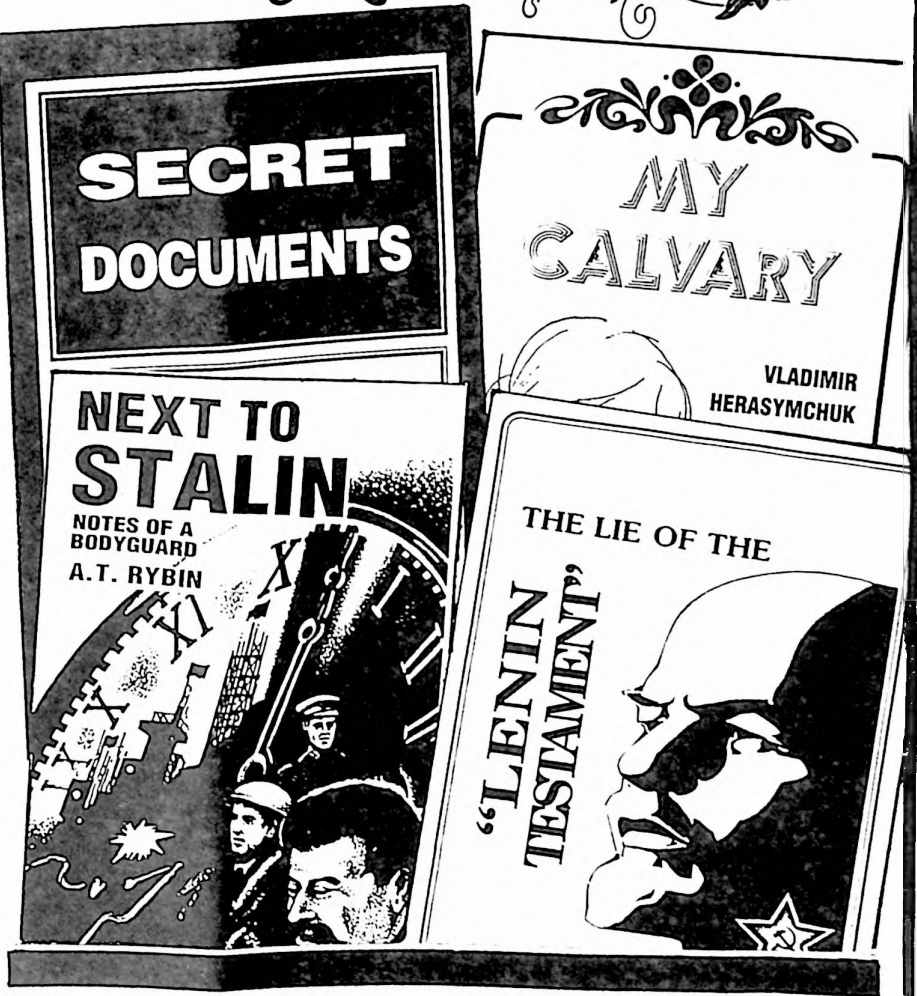
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provocation's amongst the population on behalf of the present regime. They consume finances, freely given by the state, meant to completely dismember the Army. In this way the strategy of NATO is getting results that they want: which is to gain a complete foothold into the economy, the enormous territory of Ukraine and subservient to NATO.

If we take into account that as of January 1, 1993 there was 509,531 soldiers, then already on January 1, 1997 there was only 371,000 soldiers. That means that the Army was demobilized at this time of danger by 138,531 men and women. Today there are 71,000 officers who have no place to live with their families.

According to military experts and the Minister of Defense there is a need for 6.9 billion dollars for the Army while the present government, under plans of NATO has assigned only \$1,450 million. Even as this is written, the present government is rationing salt for the army.

Over \$600 millions were assigned by the Kuchma regime to modernize an Army Base Yavorovsky near Lvov, which

is now being leased to USA. NATO experts are all over Ukraine demanding that another two bases be given to the USA as their base of operations - "Wide Valley" in the Nikolaevsk Region and the 108th Training Center. Our country is being made to be the staging and training ground for NATO forces who are going to be used to put down any uprising by the Ukrainian people.

President Kuchma has signed a deal with NATO which is against even the present constitution of Ukraine. The contents of this document that was signed is kept secret from the people.

In the present Ukrainian Army the recruit is asked if he is willing to fight the Russians and, if his answer is no, he is immediately dismissed!

The present regime is paying its special forces \$2,500 per month, after being trained by the West at Chuguev...these are the professional punitive soldiers trained to defend the present regime.

In Ivano-Frankovsk region, two Colonels who were very active in the Union of Soviet Officers and who were spreading left wing and communist newspapers amongst the soldiers, thus were savagely beaten.

At this Officers meeting the questions were discussed regarding the attitude of the Union of Officers towards the many Communist parties and about holding a Referendum.

Comrade Terekhov and A. Ogornikov explained to the delegates that the Union of Soviet Officers of USSR - is a many party organization, in the ranks are members of the Communist Party of Ukraine, Socialist Party of Ukraine and Progressive Socialist Party etc.

Therefore, the orientation of the Union of Officers towards any one party might bring a break in the unity of Offi-

cers. The Union of Officers is existing already 3 years and for the Union of Soviet Officers to be affiliated with the Union of Communist Parties-CPSU is not logical now.

The suggestion by comrade N. Vitrenko and V. Marchenko of the Progressive Socialist Party of Ukraine to change the present Constitution of the Union of Soviet Officers of USSR, brought forth a strong disagreement led by comrade V. Moisenko from the Communist Party of Ukraine, who deems it futile to decide the policies of the present Kuchma regime by a referendum - it would be utopia. Nothing would change!

All the delegates of this Conference were acquainted with the decisions taken by the Permanent Presidium of the Congress of Peoples Deputies of USSR which was adopted on April 7, 1998 to not recognize the title of General I.A. Gerasimov as a "General of the Army" and the medal of Soviet Union, because of his present traitorous actions against the the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics.

The meeting unanimously adopted the decision to activate the protests against NATO expansion to the East and the dismemberment of our Motherland - the USSR.

Galina Savchenko

Member of the "All Russian Officers Meeting" and Chairperson of "Movement for USSR"-Ukraine

Member of CC All Union Communist Party (B). □

## IN MEMORIAM

Northstar Compass had many requests to have a section in NSC where ads in memory of loved ones and friends can be expressed. Donations will be accepted in this column.

FELIX  
GORELIK



## MINERS ARE IN THE FOREFRONT OF THE STRUGGLES!

My trip back to the Motherland gave me an opportunity to see the present day struggles and their growth. Russia is in a deep financial crisis that cannot be solved. Ukraine is in even worse condition since its currency (Hrivna) is absolutely becoming worthless. When the economy is in deep crisis, neither the ruble or hrivna can sustain itself or the economy. Why? Because the loans that the present regimes have burdened the people with, have to be paid at value and this does not leave any budget to run the economy. This in itself shall make the shelves empty, the one promise that the present democrats were agitating that "all the shelves in stores shall be filled with all goods". The empty shelves in Moscow are looking empty, and the Muscovites who support Yeltsin are themselves becoming disenchanted. That is why the revolutionary feelings are growing ever more sharper. The same thing is happening in Kiev. The only way that the present regimes can hold off the inevitable is by utilizing the military force. But this could be only temporary, since the bloodshed will bring out more people.

The only way that this regime that robs and is treacherous can be accomplished is by another socialist revolution, since no elections or peaceful means shall dislodge these regimes. Results of any election results will be falsified, as was

in each previous election. Part of the workers shall be bought off, the others shall be fooled by the media. Yeltsin showed what the word "democracy" means when he gave the order in 1993 to bombard the Russian Parliament and hundreds of resulted deaths.

But a socialist revolution cannot be made in secret, if a Communist party shall not lead it, or if around that party the masses shall not gather. Are the present Communist parties capable of fulfilling this historical role? Are the masses at this moment capable to unite around a party to lead to another socialist revolution? Unfortunately the answer to both of these questions is NO! In Lugansk I saw two opposite communist parties in different corners. One party is that of "Zyuganov" which cooperates with the present regime. The other is a revolutionary party organized by "Anpilov". "Zyuganov" party is composed of former CPSU members. Even amongst them, the apparatchiks that did not sell their souls, but we admit they are very small in numbers....there are none that are dedicated communists and Leninists. Most of the former CPSU members, after Stalin died in 1953 were opportunists who joined in order to rise through the ranks to top positions. But to struggle and fight against the present regime there is a need for new people, new outlook and new dedication. These must be dedicated revolutionaries and not just opportunists or reformers. These must be people like Fidel Castro or Che Guevara. They were not afraid of jail, torture or even death. The idea of liberating the working class was their life. My ideal was Felix Dzerzhinsky. Of his 18 years as a revolutionary, 11 of them were spent in jail or in exile. He wrote while in jail and he gave his life for the revolution. Even in Tsarist

Russia it was not heard of that the pay to workers would be held up for months and months on end. Victor Anpilov is such a revolutionary, but how much he has to persevere even from the Communists who are for socialism and know that only by a second socialist revolution can bring back the resurrected Soviet Union. These "communists" who talk about socialism but they think that this could be done through constitutional means and elections!

in the CPRF (Zyuganov) and in the Communist Party of Ukraine a majority of its leadership are not ready for revolutionary struggle, willing only to struggle inside the capitalist constitution, hoping that they shall get a seat in parliament. Victor Anpilov promotes a class struggle inside, but they are a minority, and criticized as "extremists" and kept away from the leadership of movements.

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The same situation is also in Lugansk, Ukraine. The most active, the most brave and the most dedicated communists were replaced from the leadership of the communist parties by former apparatchiks of former CPSU. These expelled comrades were forced in Lugansk to form the Organizing Committee to form the "Lenin Communist Party of Ukraine". The same process is going in other major cities. The vacillation by some communist parties in Ukraine under pressure from President Kuchma is shown, when they voted for the bourgeois Constitution of Ukraine.

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It is self evident that the old CPSU cannot be reconstituted with these elements. A new party must be formed that shall be guided by principals of Leninists-Bolsheviks.

There is one more stumbling block in realizing another socialist revolution: the

unfortunate unreadiness of the mass working class to unite solidly for a revolution to return to socialism.

What are some of the reasons for the working class not being prepared for revolutionary struggles?

1. The dissemination among the masses of petty bourgeois psychology, which makes it easier to put to them the mirage of "market private property". But life day by day is the best teacher that this mirage is no longer valid as in shown even in France and Germany.

2. The traitorous act by the top leadership of CPSU, and the fact that the present rulers are none other than former top position holders in the CPSU. This has shocked the people who now do not believe the communists. The saying by the people is heard all the time: "It's the Communists who dismembered and liquidated the USSR! It's the same communists at the top now as before!" Overall most people do not understand that there is a difference between those communists and the ones that are trying to resurrect the Soviet Union and socialism. Much work has to be done amongst the people to explain and teach them the real truth and show them by deeds.

3. Today the vast majority of workers are declassified. They have lost their class orientation. They did not have to struggle for their rights as workers under Soviet rule. Now a majority of young people are not in the working force, in factories or industries- they are buying and selling goods on the streets. Older workers remain where there are still jobs, all just waiting until they can retire without losing their jobs. The regime makes certain that the workers are scared of losing their jobs, thus they stop agitation work and people are

petrified of losing a job and ask the question as to who is going to feed my family?

Time is needed so that the workers could be explained as to the reality of the present situation and the road ahead.

Today, the most active workers are the coal miners, the same miners who in 1989-1990 with their strikes helped to dismember the USSR, and the CPSU. They in their majority are still only concerned about their economic demands and are still wary of Communists.

For the last two years I follow the events in the Krasnodon mines, were named after Barakov. Their leader is Dmitry Kalitventsov who is completely under the influence of social democrats and is wary of any red slogans or flags. Over the past two years these miners held pickets, held marches and demonstrations which were successful. Second demonstration the miners were severely beaten up by the militia police. This bloodshed made the miners realize that economic demands are not enough. At that time 26 miners gave their application in to join the Communist Party of Ukraine.

But a large section of these striking miners fell for the promises of the director of the mine and these miners did not take part in the strike...and he took the decision that those miners who were on strike for one month will be fired. That is the unfortunate result that the miners did show a solid front against the administration. Of course the lesson shall also be learned by these scabs, strikebreakers. The words and promises of the director will be just that and these scabs will be ashamed in front of their striking friends.

Aside from all these problems, life itself is the best teacher for the working class. Even though the major-

ity of youth is apolitical, under the influence of bourgeois and foreign culture, even now you can see young people starting to activate, since it is their future that is at stake. I remember when meeting with a young Komsomol girl Tatiana Kalinin who came to the striking miners with young Komsomols to discuss politics and agitate for unity and socialism.

Socialism or death! There is no other choice in history. To go back to wild capitalism means economic death and culture, the death of the people. □

## THERE SHALL BE A HOLIDAY ON OUR STREET!

*This poem by Felix Gorelik  
was sent to NSC dedicated to  
the 81st Anniversary of the  
Great October Revolution!*

7th of November-day of celebration

A day of protest, mourning!  
We remember, what the Soviet  
state gave us,  
What the Presidents, following  
in the footsteps of "Best German  
Gorby".  
How could they through the  
"reforms" steal all we had!

In flowers and red calico, the  
columns went forward  
with task and plans to fulfill.  
Over 70 years the ideals led  
us,  
We marched onward, gigantic  
were our steps.

Only 8 years past since  
"victory" "democrats"  
As if the sand storm, the locust  
hordes.  
All in ruins, into the dirt  
thrown, all that was sacred.  
From all side there arose mis-  
fortune.

Factories lay paralyzed.  
Collective farms are torn apart  
And that, which was built over  
the years by the people,



Again was given to the rich exploiters.

I believe: these rulers will pay the price!

All those trespassers shall get their reward.

Enough to rule over the people!

As they say: Here's God, and here's the threshold!

When the people arise with might

From their slumber,

They shall throw off those, that sat on their backs.

Spring again shall return!

The victory banners shall be unfurled,

Under the sounds of orchestras, making all march tall,

In flowers and red colico the columns shall march,

On the day of remembering the Great October!

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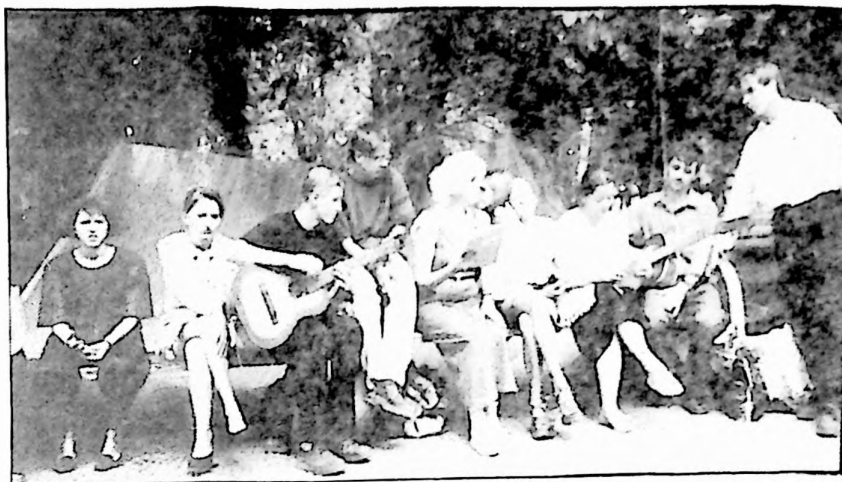
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FROM NEWSPAPER "COMMUNIST" KIEV, UKRAINE

The photo of striking miners in Ukraine shows them on sit-down strike in their thousands, banging their helmets on the cement and with wooden sticks in order to draw attention to their lack of pay for months on end.

*Maybe the miners should undertake another method of protest...obviously the present Kuchma regime is not listening!*

*Or, the crosses that some miners wear on their chests are not likely to help them get their back wages either!*



## COAL MINERS STRIKE IN KRASNODON SEPTEMBER 1998

*We published in NSC, Vo. 7, #4 photos and story about the attack by militia on striking miners, but here are other interesting photos which show events that transpired.*

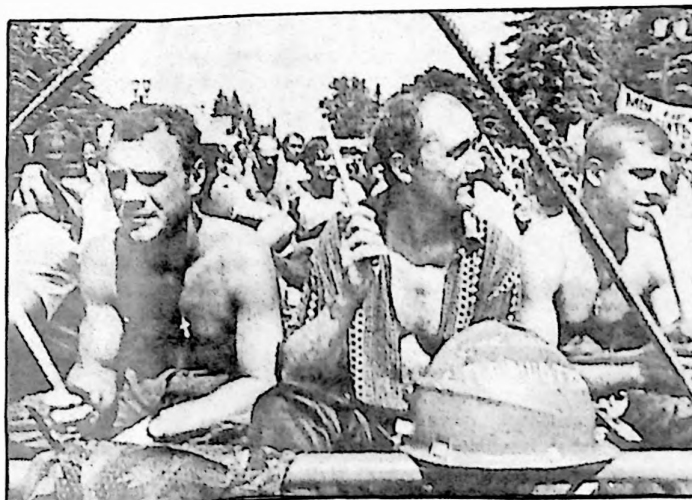
1. Miners (as you see, they are young) did burn the present Kuchma in effigy on the main square in Krasnodon.

2. The miners were not alone, to them came a Komsomol Agitational Brigade from the city of Molodogvardeysk, headed by a young Communist T. Kalinin (in the center of the photo). These boys and girls are the ones that shall resurrect the Soviet Union. The coal



miners were so surprised and pleased, that 26 of them made a request to join the Communist Party of Ukraine.

Felix Gorelik



# A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS!

We published this photograph of the young Komsomol Heroes of the Krasnodon Guards who were murdered by the German fascists near the end of the Great Patriotic War. They knew what they were fighting for when they heeded the appeal made by J.V.Stalin that the "Motherland was in danger!". They died as heroes.

We are publishing this photograph of some of their mothers who are still living, making a pilgrimage every year to the graves of these Krasnodon Guards with flowers. Their Mothers also were in the struggle and they are also today fighting to resurrect the Soviet Union so that the heroic death of their sons and daughters was not in vain.

We hope that the young



generation of Soviet youth shall remember and follow in their footsteps.

LONG MAY THEIR NAMES BE HONORED, BECAUSE THEY DIED FOR US!

*From the newspaper "Communist" Kiev, Ukraine* □



## FEATURE ANALYSIS

*We are reprinting this slight excerpted article on the "Communist Manifesto". We think that it sums up basic Marxist-Leninist principles and highlights the tasks facing the communist movement today.*

# REAFFIRM THE COMMUNIST MANIFESTO

Address to the New CP of the Netherlands

By Prof. Jose Maria Sison  
Founding Chairman  
Communist Party of the Philippines  
May 1, 1998

[We]... celebrate with ... the proletariat and people of the world the 150th anniversary of the Communist Manifesto.

We are still in the historical epoch of class struggle between capital and labor .... Thus, we reaffirm the Communist Manifesto.

The general principles laid down in this great document of the proletariat remain valid and urgent until the ultimate goal of communism is reached. The spectre of communism which haunted the bourgeoisie and all reactionaries of Europe at the time of Marx and Engels continues to haunt the monopoly bourgeoisie, the revisionists and all reactionaries throughout the world.

### I. General Principles of the Communist Manifesto

After the ... prehistory encompassing the primitive communal society, the history of mankind ... has been a history of class struggles.

Slave, feudal and capitalist societies have come into history. In each form of society, the material conditions of production and of social relations determine the superstructure, the intellectual and cultural life of the oppressors and oppressed.

One lower form of society yields to a higher one only through class struggle by which the rising progressive class, representing a higher mode of production, overthrows the reactionary ruling class.

Since the overthrow of the feudal system, the modern bourgeoisie has ruled capitalist society. It has used science and technology and exploited the proletariat. In the process it has surpassed and dwarfed the achievements of all pre-capitalist societies put together.

To make itself the ruling class, it has ceaselessly developed the means of production, increased and ceaselessly exploited the proletariat in order to extract profits from labor power and accumulate capital. But the advance of capitalism is not unilinear.

The history of capitalism has been characterized by spasms of expansion and contraction. There were the commercial crises of the 19th century. And there have been far graver crises and far more terrible interimperialist wars and wars of aggression brought about by monopoly capitalism in the 20th century.

There is a fundamental contradiction between the social character of large-scale commodity production and the private mode of appropriation. The bourgeoisie accumulates capital by extracting surplus labor from the proletariat. Exactly when production rises and the competition among the capitalists intensifies, the capitalists push down the wage and living conditions of the proletariat in order to counter the falling rate of profit. Thus, the market contracts and the crisis of overproduction leads to the massive destruction of productive forces.

Capitalism has reduced society into two great camps, the few who own the means of production and the many who ... are obliged to sell their labor power in order to subsist. The bourgeoisie consolidates its national market but ceaselessly

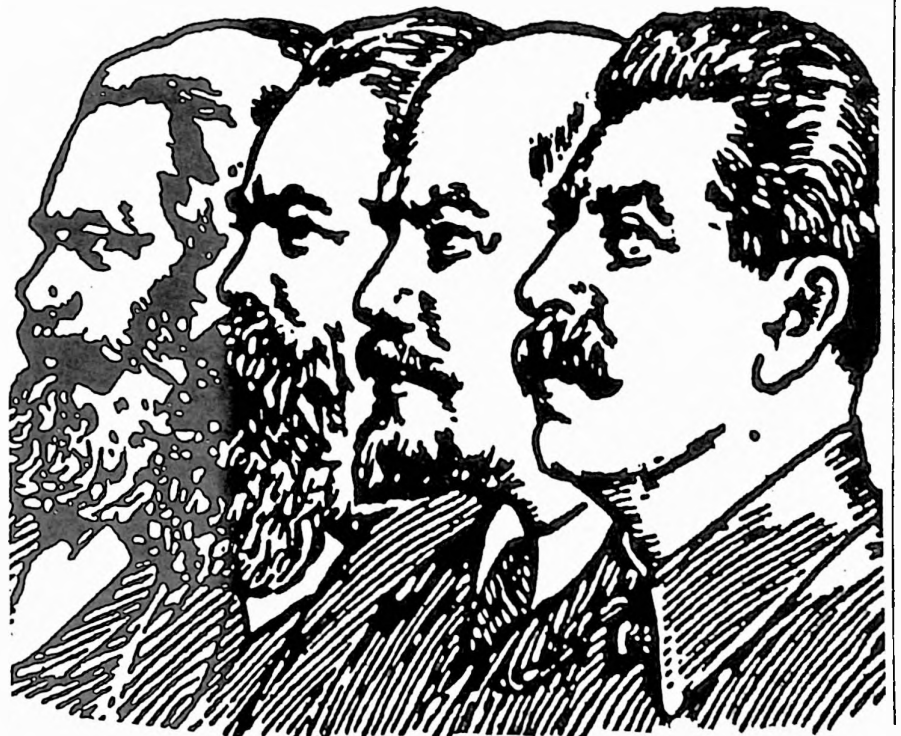
socks in the name of free trade to expand the global market, acquire colonies and dominate other people in order to counter crisis and unwittingly or objectively prepare the conditions for a graver crisis.

At first, the proletariat comes into being and expands at the bidding of the capitalist class but eventually learns to organize trade unions to defend its own economic and social interest and ultimately form political parties to seek political power. In the final analysis, the capitalist class creates its own gravedigger, the revolutionary proletariat.

Communists constitute the advanced detachment of the proletariat. By all means, they link themselves with the entire proletariat. They are needed to fulfill the leading revolutionary role and historic mission of the proletariat, to understand the course of history and to set the line of march for the entire proletariat.

The communists and the proletariat seek to abolish bourgeois property ... and replace it with common ownership. Bourgeois property is the most complete and final form of private ownership. To abolish it is to make a radical rupture from the institution of private ownership of the means of production.

For the first time in ... history ..., the proletariat is an exploited class that is capable of becoming the ruling class. It is ... a class that emancipates itself from bourgeois rule only by emancipating all other oppressed and exploited sections of the people. For the proletariat to emancipate itself and win political power is to win the battle for democracy and consequently to make a radical rupture from the millennia of exploitative society by ultimately ending all class op-



pression and exploitation.

The proletariat is an internationalist force that disdains and combats nationalism as well as the cosmopolitanism of the bourgeoisie. But it can overthrow the bourgeoisie only by forcibly and violently overthrowing the bourgeois state in each country. As Marx and Engels emphatically pointed out in their 1872 preface to the Manifesto, the proletariat cannot simply lay hold of the ready-made state machinery and wield it for its own purposes. It must smash the bourgeois bureaucratic and military machinery in order to establish the proletarian state.

It does not suffice for communists to recognize and lead all the forms of class struggle of the proletariat. The revolutionary essence of the Communist Manifesto is to seek the overthrow of the class dictatorship of the bourgeoisie and install the class dictatorship of the proletariat through the class struggle.

The struggle for socialism and communism goes through stages. In the Manifesto itself, Marx and Engels expected the German proletariat to lead the democratic revolution and immediately thereafter the proletarian revolution and they also observed in several other countries that the struggle of the proletariat and people for national independence and agrarian revolution are necessary prerequisites to proletarian revolution.

The communists and the proletariat fight for immediate aims as well as for the ultimate aim of communism by which the oppression and exploitation of one class by another and one country by another is finally ended.

## II. The Achievements of Communists Since 1848

... So short a period of ... has passed since the publication of the Communist Manifesto in February 1848. This great programmatic document has inspired and guided great revolutionary achievements of communists and the proletariat from one stretch of 50 years to another.

Marx and Engels were commissioned by a small international organization of workers called the Communist League ... to write the manifesto as a program. ... It was submitted for publication in February 1848 before the outbreak of the February revolution in France.

The Communist Manifesto set forth the general principles of scientific communism. It contended with the bourgeois and other reactionary forces in Europe ... [and their] tales about the "spectre of communism". It also contended with the various brands of unscientific socialism, those deceptive versions pushed by the feudalists, the petty-bourgeois and the German idealists, the unabashedly conservative or bourgeois and the naive and kindhearted ones of critical-utopian

socialism and communism.

The Manifesto ... first ... had scarce influence. After the June 1848 workers' uprising in Paris, the cause of proletarian revolution looked ill-fated and destined to be a mere footstool of the bourgeoisie against the landed aristocracy. The Communist League dissolved in 1852 after the Cologne Communist trial.

But Marx and Engels persevered in their communist theoretical and practical work among the workers. In 1864 they led the formation of the First International, the International Workingmen's Association. In 1871, the workers of Paris rose up and established the Paris Commune. This was shortlived but it demonstrated that the proletariat could seize power from the bourgeoisie and served as the prototype of the class dictatorship of the proletariat.

In the wake of the defeat of the Paris Commune, once more it looked as if the cause of proletarian revolution would come to naught. The First International was allowed to fade away in 1872. But Marx and Engels and their communist followers in the working class persevered in their revolutionary work.



By the time that the Second International was founded through the International Socialist Workers' Party in Paris in 1889, the Marxist parties under the inspiration and guidance of the Communist Manifesto were dominant. The first 50 years of the Manifesto ended in 1898, with Marxism becoming unquestionably the main trend in the working class movement.

Free competition capitalism of the 19th century developed into monopoly capitalism or modern imperialism as the dominant force of the 20th century. Lenin inherited, extended and further developed Marxism. He contended with the revisionism, social chauvinism and social pacifism of the social-democratic parties in the Second International.

Adhering to the revolutionary essence of Marxism, as enunciated in the Communist Manifesto and learning lessons from the Paris Commune, the Bolsheviks under the leadership of Lenin were able to use the dire conditions of the first inter-imperialist war to bring about the Great October Socialist Revolution and establish the first socialist

state. They fulfilled the hope expressed by Marx and Engels in the 1882 preface to the Russian edition of the Manifesto that the proletarian revolution would succeed in a two-stage revolution on the basis of the common ownership of land.

In the spirit of proletarian internationalism, Lenin proceeded to establish the Third International in 1919. This broadcast the Communist Manifesto and the anti-imperialist line in both the imperialist countries and the dominated countries, the colonies and semicolonies.

The Bolsheviks defeated the imperialists and all local class enemies in the civil war and the interventionist war and surmounted economic blockade, military encirclement and all kinds of provocations in order to build the Soviet Union.

Stalin pursued the line of socialist revolution and construction. Under his leadership, the Soviet state and people created a powerful industrial foundation and a collectivized and mechanized agriculture. The educational and cultural system was expanded and it produced within a short period of time the largest contingent of professionals and technicians for socialist construction.

The Soviet Union thrived with a population which was one-sixth of the world's while the imperialists were stricken with the Great Depression and were driven by their contradictions to the second inter-imperialist war. The Soviet proletariat and people overcame the Nazi German aggression at great cost and proceeded to lead the great counterattack against the fascist forces of monopoly capitalism.

In the course of the second inter-imperialist war, communists in so many countries in the world excelled in fighting and defeating the forces of fascism and laid the basis of people's democracies and socialist states. Thus, before the 100th anniversary of the Communist Manifesto, communist and workers' parties were in the process of coming to power and consolidating it in several countries. More than one-third of the world's population would be free from the imperialists and the local reactionaries.

The last 50 years began in 1948 with the desperate declaration of the Cold War by the imperialists against the rising combination of socialist countries and national liberation movements. The peak of communist strength was reached on the basis of the great unity of the Soviet Union and the People's Republic of China.

But alas the new bourgeoisie through the Khrushchov revisionist clique overthrew the proletariat in the Soviet Union in 1956. So did the revisionist cliques in Eastern Europe. For a certain period Mao and Hoxha stood up together for Marxism-Leninism and combated modern revisionism.

With China's one-quarter of humanity, Mao pursued the line of socialist revolution and construction, striving to avoid the pitfalls of Soviet development and surpass its achievements. From 1966

to 1976, he put forward the theory and practice of continuing revolution by combating revisionism, preventing the restoration of capitalism and consolidating socialism under the dictatorship of the proletariat through the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution.

In 1975, US imperialism was categorically defeated in its war of aggression against the Vietnamese and other Indochinese peoples. For the United States, defeat in this war was far worse than that in the Korean war, which had ended in a stalemate. The US was stricken by a deepening economic crisis which signaled a strategic decline.

But in the latter half of the '70s, the line of Mao was reversed in China. Soviet bureaucratic monopoly capitalism went into stagnation. And the imperialist alliance headed by the United States had succeeded in entrapping most countries in the third world in the web of neocolonialism.

In the entire '80s, the dogma of free trade was anachronistically touted by monopoly capitalism. The restoration of capitalism was speeded up in all the revisionist-ruled countries, including the Soviet Union and China, under the slogan of reforms. From 1989 to 1991, the revisionist rulers were toppled, public assets were brazenly privatized and social turmoil occurred in the former Soviet-bloc countries. The Soviet Union itself disintegrated.

Until the middle of 1997, it would seem as if the imperialist powers and their client-states would continue to rule without serious danger from the ever worsening crisis of the world capitalist system and as if the imperialists would never again face any serious challenge from the proletariat and the people.

As we celebrate the 150th anniversary of the Communist Manifesto, we recognize more clearly than ever before that the monopoly bourgeoisie and all its camp followers cannot escape the worsening crisis of their own system. The retrogression of monopoly capitalism to the most naked forms of oppression and exploitation, using the antiquated slogans of liberalism and "free market" has led to an unprecedentedly grave new world disorder.

The revolutionary movement of the proletariat and the people against imperialism and for socialism is beginning to surge forward once again. Communists are preparing for greater battles and greater victories ahead.

### III. Continuing Struggle of the Proletariat

On the 150th anniversary of the Communist Manifesto, the proletariat and the rest of the people of the world confront the monopoly bourgeoisie and the reactionaries. All the basic class contradictions are intensifying. We are certain that in the next 50 years there shall be more widespread disorder, more acute class struggles and greater revolutionary victories of the proletariat and the people.

The restoration of capitalism in socialist countries and the neocolonial redirection of newly independent countries and national liberation movements have only meant far more intolerable oppression and exploitation. The proletariat and people of the world are impelled to struggle for national liberation, democracy and socialism.

In the temporary defeat and decline of the working class movement, which became clear as a trend in the last two decades, the imperialist powers headed by the US have accelerated their exploitation of the working people and have forced them into lower depths of poverty and misery worldwide. It is clearer than ever that we are still in the era of imperialism and that the need is urgent for new-democratic and socialist revolutions led by the proletariat.

Within the imperialist countries, the basic contradictions between capital and labor, between the monopoly bourgeoisie and the proletariat, is becoming acute. The rise of productivity through higher technology has accelerated the accumulation and concentration of capital and the drive for higher profits.

The most profitable monopoly firms excel at downsizing ... to maximize their profits. They have the easiest access to finance capital generated by the state, private finance monopolies and multi-lateral finance agencies.

Unemployment and reduction of real wage levels have led to the contraction of the domestic market of the imperialist countries and in an ever worsening crisis of overproduction. Thus, only the successful monopoly firms register extremely high profits, while many others are unsuccessful and go bankrupt or are absorbed by other firms. There is the general tendency for growth and profit rates of entire national economies to fall.

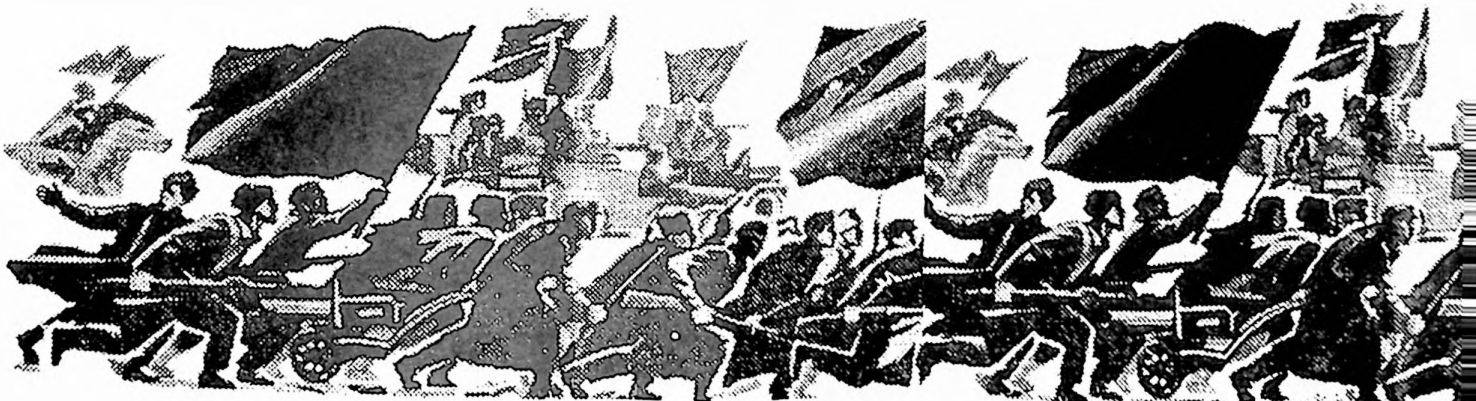
The entire monopoly bourgeoisie has the illusion that it can solve its problems by accelerating ... privatization ..., deregulation ... and trade and investment liberalization. It has run amok in trying to dismantle the social measures and social pretenses of its own state and to blame the proletariat for the ravages of the system of monopoly capitalism. The injury and insult being heaped upon the proletariat ... is the prelude to revolutionary resistance.

Coming from the balance of forces resulting from the last inter-imperialist war and further compelled to band together in the Cold War in the last 50 years, the imperialist powers continue to unite under the chieftainship of the United States against the proletariat in their home grounds and against the oppressed peoples and nations of the world.

But the shrinkage of the domestic and foreign markets drive the imperialist powers to compete against each other, despite the interweaving combinations of monopoly interests through multinational firms and banks. The greatest shrinkage of the market has occurred in the overwhelming majority of countries which have remained dependent on raw-material production for export. They have been stricken with the crisis of ... since the '70s. They have been crushed by the deteriorating terms of trade and foreign debt and forced to go into austerity and abject misery.

After being touted as "emergent markets", exceptional countries, to which the imperialist powers have conceded low value-added manufacturing of consumer goods for export, have sunk because of the global overproduction of the type of goods that they produce and because of overborrowing from the imperialist countries to finance the superprofit-taking of the foreign monopoly firms and the consumerism of the local exploiting classes. Even the rarer economies like those of South Korea and Taiwan, previously given the concession to build basic industries and export higher value-added goods, are now sinking.

At first, the revisionist-ruled countries that have rapidly pushed the privatization of public assets appeared to be new fields of investment for the global expansion of capital. But China has undermined its own industrial foundation and has become dependent on the export of low value-



added products of which there is now global over-production. The former Soviet-bloc countries have destroyed most of their industries and have become dumping grounds of surplus product and speculative capital from the West on top of a smaller amount of productive capital to exploit local cheap labor. Their economics continue to break down.

Where socialism has been betrayed by the revisionist renegades for several decades, the bureaucratic and private capitalists tend to assume the role of the comprador big bourgeoisie, make the economy retrogress to presocialist conditions and consign the working people to a life of unemployment and misery. The most rapid destruction of productive forces has occurred in the former Soviet-bloc countries in the current decade.

The strategic plan of the imperialist powers is to prevent the development of large countries such as Russia, China, India and Brazil into powerful industrial capitalist rivals and keep them down as captive markets, sources of raw materials and fields of anti-industrial investments. The United States, Japan and the European Union know too well that the world has become too small to accommodate more industrial capitalist countries.

As a consequence of the ravages of neocolonialism, social strife has been flaring up in the underdeveloped countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America and in the former revisionist-ruled countries, particularly in the former Yugoslavia and parts of the former Soviet Union. In the current period, there are more armed conflicts resulting from the rivalries of bureaucratic cliques raising the slogans of nationalism and religion against each other. The long-term misrepresentation of socialism by the imperialists, revisionists and reactionaries have pushed down the level of political debate and struggle.

But some armed revolutionary movements of the toiling masses of workers and peasants in certain countries are led by communist and workers' parties. These parties are significant because they hold high the revolutionary essence of Marxism-Leninism and are inspirational examples in the current transition from a period of global defeat for the toiling people to a new period of revolutions led by the proletariat on an unprecedented scale.



In the countries where socialism was betrayed by revisionists and which are on a ceaseless course of social and economic degradation, new communist and workers' parties are arising to reassert the revolutionary legacy of the proletariat and to respond to the challenge of armed revolution against the big bourgeoisie.

In all the major and minor industrial capitalist countries, there is social unrest due to the rising mass unemployment and deterioration of wage and living conditions. General strikes and other mass protest actions have surged against the worsening social conditions and against the political currents of nationalism, racism and fascism. Genuine communists and workers' parties are striving to emerge and grow in strength against tremendous odds.

Contradictions among the imperialist powers are increasingly conspicuous in the field of economic competition, despite the existence of multinational firms and banks and the multilateral agencies. The danger of an interimperialist war approaches upon conditions of global depression, the rise of fascist forces within the imperialist countries and collisions of interest among the imperialist powers in the dominated countries.

Both private and state monopoly capitalism exist together, even as the monopoly bourgeoisie has shifted the stress of its policy from Keynesian to neoliberal. The monopoly bourgeoisie always uses its own state as the instrument of its class dictatorship to oppress and exploit the proletariat and the people within national boundaries. Farther afield, the imperialist states and the business corporations that they serve dictate upon the client states and impose conditions that escalate the oppression and exploitation of the people.

When monopoly capitalism anachronistically uses the myth and language of liberalism and refurbishes this as "globalization", it is to stress the dominance of the private monopoly bourgeoisie over the entire society and to use both imperialist and client states in accelerating the delivery of public funds and resources to the private monopoly corporations at the expense of any social pretense or actual social spending.

From the '30s to the '70s, the imperialist powers used the state in economic activity in order to counter economic crises, wage global war, reconstruct war-ravaged economies, conduct the Cold War and arms race, launch wars of aggression and undertake pseudodevelopment programs in the former colonies. But since the '80s, they have shifted to a so-called neoliberal policy of "free trade". In so short a time, the fear of stagflation in the '70s has transmuted into a fear of global deflation and depression in current times.

As soon as ... economic depression, the monopoly bourgeoisie will certainly use the state more conspicuously for pump priming the economy, accelerating the arms race and suppressing the people and the revolutionary mass movement. On its

homegrounds, the monopoly bourgeoisie and its states will swing back to making social pretenses.

In the backwash of the social turmoil in China in 1989 and the disintegration of the Soviet-bloc revisionist regimes and the Soviet Union itself from 1989 to 1991, the conservative bourgeoisie and rabidly anticommunist elements of the petty bourgeoisie have made a strident chorus about the futility of socialism and the class struggle of the proletariat.

They have touted as the happiest arrangement the trilateral alliance of the existing bourgeois states, big business and the so-called civil society of nongovernmental organizations and institutions. In unison, they have decreed as intrinsically ... evil any plan or attempt to overthrow the existing bourgeois states. They have considered as superior to the revolutionary class struggle for socialism any movement which they describe as beyond class.

They obscure the long record of communists in fighting for the right of nations to self-determination, for civil and political rights, a sound economic development against the plunder and pollution of the environment by the imperialists, for the right of women to equality with men, and so on.

But no matter how strident or subtle is the anticommunist propaganda and no matter how powerful the anticommunist influence of the high-tech mass media, the schools, churches and the like, the proletariat and the masses of the people are confronted with the intolerable conditions of oppression and exploitation and the ever worsening crisis of the capitalist system and are driven by their own interest to wage revolutionary class struggle against monopoly capitalism and aim for socialism.

Surely, when the revolutionary movements against imperialism and for socialism become strong again, the imperialists and their bourgeois, petty bourgeois and even feudal and clerical propagandists will once more pick up the slogan of socialism in order to misrepresent it and try to outflank the advocates of scientific socialism.

Right now, certain parties and organizations persistently specialize in misrepresenting themselves as socialist and communist and in opposing the revolutionary essence of the Communist Manifesto and the teachings of the great communist thinkers and leaders. They continue ... to block the resurgence of the revolutionary movement led by genuine communist and workers' parties.

But the genuine communists and the proletariat learn their lessons well from both positive and negative experiences. They know that the communist movement has moved from peak to peak, the Paris Commune of 1871, the Great October

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Socialist Revolution of 1917, the Chinese Revolution of 1949 and other socialist revolutions after World War II and the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution. They also know the troughs that the movement has gone through before each peak is reached.

Communists have a wealth of experience to avail of in overthrowing the class enemy, building socialism, combating classical and modern revisionism and striving to prevent the restoration of capitalism. The next upsurge of the world proletarian revolution will entail learning well the lessons of the past and taking full account of new conditions.

The process of raising the level of theory and practice of communists to a new and higher one is an endless process, within the historical epoch when communists are needed to arouse, organize and mobilize the proletariat and the oppressed peoples and nations in fulfilling its historic mission of building socialism until the ultimate goal of communism is reached.

## OPEN FORUM

### MY VISIT TO BOHEMIA

By George Hess, member of NSC Editorial Board

On September 7, 1998 I arrived in my native Czech Republic after an absence of many years. My parents having lived in what in 1939 was referred to as the Sudetanland were forced to leave their home by the Munich Dictate and as a result immigrated to Canada. I, over these many years have visited my native Bohemia several times each time while it was a growing Socialist entity in the center of Europe. This was the first time that I had an opportunity to visit Mr.

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Havel's capitalist Czech Republic. I found many changes that have taken place since the country had abandoned socialism, most of them negative unfortunately, but there were some positive changes as well. Perhaps I should deal with the positive changes first as these are not as numerous and as a consequence can be dealt with more expeditiously.

I found that the new regime had built many new roads which make the country more accessible to tourism. Signs in English and German abound especially in Prague. So much so that one has to remind oneself that this is really the Czech Republic. Many of the young people speak English in varying degrees and with the intrusion of restaurant chains such as MacDonalds and Kentucky Fried Chicken with their distribution of junk food the true Czech culture and language have been forced into the background so much so that one has to search rather diligently to find any trace of this once proud Czech presence. The country is dotted with used car lots. It seems that Mr. Havel (president) and company have left no stone unturned in their effort to please their foreign mentors and tourists alike. The streets of Prague are teeming with foreign tourists, skin heads and various other types. The streets of this beautiful old city are home to pick pockets and various other fast buck artists who ply their trade with the outmost finesse, both mine and my wife's wallets were stolen within the first few days. Czechs can now vacation in Western countries if their budget will permit it.

I traveled the country as extensively as time would permit and I talked to many people in Mr. Havel's paradise. While the official polls would have us believe that more than half of the people feel that life under socialism

was better, one is really pressed to find anyone who feels that life has improved under the free market that now prevails in this ravaged land. While there are differences as to apportioning of blame for the present crisis that the country finds itself in, there is no doubt as to which system is better. For example, the Museum clerk who complained that the recession the country is in is the fault of the Communists since they had created a planned economy which cannot be converted to a market system. The man I spoke to on a train who complained that the Czechs were had, since they were not told the truth about the full implications of capitalism. He said: "this is not what we were fighting for in 1989". The woman who was on her way to Germany to pick mushrooms and sat next to me on the train complaining that in her home town of Strakonice all the factories are closed and there is no work. This was her only way to make some money and provide for her family, meagre as these wages may be. The list of complaints goes on and on and is too numerous to mention in this article. The few exceptions to this dissatisfaction come from those who belong to the "Novo Rich" and who boast of their unlimited wealth and affluence.

The Czech lands were traditionally like a garden in the center of Europe and their agriculture ranked amongst the best in Europe. Today the orchards lay in ruins with fruit rotting on the ground, the herds of dairy cattle have disappeared, the sugar beet industry has been shut down due to the purchase of the sugar refineries by foreign interests and their subsequent closure. Fields lay untilled growing weeds. The streets and subways are covered with graffiti and the factories lay idle. The Czech Army, once a pride of

the nation is being decimated and even the breweries in various small towns are being closed. Public transit to outlying communities has been severely curtailed, leaving a large number of communities in partial isolation.

The real tragedy is not in the economic and cultural demolishment, but rather in the damage that this has inflicted on the Czech nation's will to survive. This nation of Jan Hus and Smetana which survived and preserved its culture and ethnic heritage through the darkness of the Austro-Hungarian Empire, Hitler's Third Reich and many other national tragedies, this Slavic entity on the Western most reaches of the Slav nation, appears to have lost its' will to resist. It is drifting like a rudderless ship on a sea of unemployment and misery, unable to muster the necessary energy to resist the attempts at absorption being exerted by it's Germanic neighbor. I left Prague with a heavy heart and a fervent wish that somehow truth and socialism will once again prevail in the future. □

## LETTERS FROM ABROAD

FROM  
ASSOCIATION OF  
FRIENDSHIP OF  
PEOPLE  
OF GEORGIA  
GEORGIAN REPUBLIC

Dear friends:

We received your APPEAL for an International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People and came to the conclusion that after the criminal disintegration of the Soviet Union, there is the necessity of establishing an

"International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People". It is to be set up to promote by joint efforts by people of different nationalities to eradicate of animosity and distrust amongst peoples, strengthening the trust and mutual understanding amongst them.

We, as members of the Association for Friendship of Georgian Peoples, which is a member of the International Union of Public Societies-"For Unity and Fraternity of Peoples" welcome and support the idea of establishing an Organizing Committee to promote and organize a Congress in 1999 where an International Council shall be elected.

We would like the Organizing Committee to consider us as an equal member and we are appointing our members to the "Organizing Committee" and as delegates to the first Congress:

\*Avtandil G. Maruashvili, a member of the International Committee "For Unity and Fraternity of Peoples" and President of the Association for Friendship of Georgian Peoples.

\*Elena N. Blau  
Vice President of the Association for Friendship of Georgian Peoples.

HERE ARE SOME OF OUR  
PROPOSALS:

\*The International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People should carry out its work on the principals of voluntaries and equality of its members under a Constitution and other legislative acts of sovereign states, with its own Charter and taking into account the different constitutions of future members and be attuned to the question and provisions of the Declaration of Human Rights,

\*The activities of the International Council in foreign states

should be carried out under the observance of legislation.

\*The leading body of the International Council should perform co-ordinative and consultative functions.

The aims and purposes of the International Council should be clearly formulated. We consider that some of them should be the following:

1. All-round development and strengthening of friendship of peoples in the economic, political and cultural cooperation amongst them.
2. Coordination of the activities of public societies - members of the International Council.
3. Promoting peace and consent amongst peoples, termination of international conflicts and elimination of conditions causing them, eradication of the causes of national animosity and manifestation of nationalism and chauvinism.
4. Promoting free human relations, free movement of people on the territories of states, rendering them assistance in securing social and legal defense.
5. Promoting the resurrection of the common economic space, industrial business relations among regions, societies, enterprises as well as the resurrection of the united state on the basis of voluntaries, equality and federalism.
6. Promoting the resurrection of historical, cultural and scientific relations amongst people, normalization of their spiritual life, mutual enrichment of national culture and the formation of respectful attitude towards national dignity, language and national originality of each people.
7. Participation in further development of friendly international relations with people of other countries, strengthening peace and justice and mutually beneficial cooperation.
8. To realize these aims and



purposes the International Council must freely spread information about its activities, establish publishing houses, mass media, issue cine-audio-video productions, carry out free enterprise activity under legislation in force.

9. To carry out free enterprise activity the International Council must establish economic societies, associations, joint enterprises and other economic organizations.

We hope that the Organizing Committee will receive other proposals and that we shall be able to get acquainted with them, through the very interesting Northstar Compass journal.

Yours truly  
Avtandil Maruashvili  
President

Helen Blau  
Vice President

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FROM  
KRASNY LUCH  
UKRAINE

Dear friends:

You asked me as to why there's no unity amongst the various communist parties in former Soviet Union? There cannot be any unity with turncoats or opportunists, even though some parties carry the name of "communist." I feel that you cannot judge the parties according to the name they carry, but only their work. All parties, aside from the All Union Communist Party of Bolsheviks, are not parties, but groupings of turncoats and traitors. People themselves have split into many groupings and many citizens of the cities do not support the miners in their struggles.

In the city of Lugansk (Voroshilovgrad), only 65 km from Krasny Luch, on August 24, 1998 during the holiday of the "Independence of Ukraine"

(but I do not recognize these Banderite holidays) the militia who are named "Berkut" amounting to over 2,000 members, during the evening clubbed and beat up the miners that were protesting the lack of pay. This was in the Park of the Heroes of the Great Patriotic War, where 200 coal miners under their tents were picketing the administrative building of the Lugansk region. Over 2000 fully armed militia against 200 unarmed coal miners. Much blood was shed because the miners just demanded to get paid for work done. The women and children shared the same faith. These Fascist methods are presented as legal by the present Kuchma regime(!). Yes, fascism has arrived in Ukraine...

Against me, a coal miner was started a criminal case after I was fired from my job as Safety Inspector, because I wrote an article in the newspaper "Bolshevik" in Odessa called "Attacks against the rights of Miners". The charges were then transferred to the Kharkov regional court, into the city of Izuyum, which is 250 km from my town of Krasny Luch. They charge me as guilty while the guilty ones they say are innocent.

The prosecutors tried in many ways to make the sentence of guilty accepted, but the accusers did not show up, the Judge said he was ill, the Prosecutor took a leave of absence from the case. Thus they make me and my sick mother travel from court to court, from jurisdiction to other jurisdictions, just to make certain that the miners in Krasny Luch do not come to my defense.

The present state of nationalists in Ukraine tries to sentence patriots, using these turncoats as judges, as also prosecutors and witnesses. May they all die like dogs!

Kuchma is ruling like a dictator because there are not

enough Bolsheviks around to organize resistance. Our fathers and mothers, communists, fought for the Soviet Motherland and are going to fight for it again. No amount of terror against the people, or their many lackeys cannot break the spirit of the Soviet people in their struggles against this nationalistic fascism.

Hoping that you shall publish this for your readers.

Yours  
Igor V. Knyshev

*We hope that you shall keep the letters coming about developing events in Ukraine.* □

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FROM  
MARXIST WORKERS PARTY  
AUSTRALIA

Dear comrades:

The videos we bought have arrived and we shall start showing them this month at the Committee for Workers Against Imperialism.

We are donating \$100 Australian towards the Fund for the Organizing Committee for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People.

It seems that the revolutionary situation in the former Soviet Union is developing quite rapidly.

The Soviet people have to face the question whether they can resolve the issue by Parliamentary path as promoted by Krushchev or by the Marxist-Leninist path. I am sure that the debate can only be won by Marxism-Leninism.

Comradely yours

Vida Little

*Yes...the only path that will resolve this tragedy is the path as shown by Marx-Engels-Lenin and Stalin.* □

## FRIENDSHIP NEWS

### OBITUARY

#### ANDY DUROVECZ

In his 86th year, Andy Durovecz passed away on October 23rd at the Toronto Sunnybrook Hospital after being in poor health for a long while, but this fact did not stop him being very active in all of the many activities.

Andy Durovecz was the founding member of NSC and on the Editorial Board of the journal.



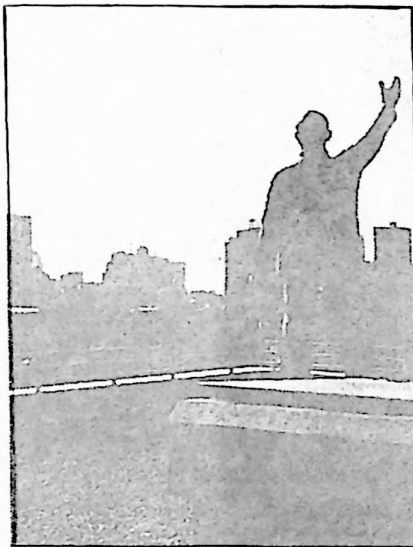
Andy was a life member of many progressive organizations, one of the founders of the Hungarian Kossuth organization, also one of the Editors of the Hungarian newspaper Munkash, as Canadian Armed Forces Veteran who wrote about his exploits in his book "My Secret Mission" where he described the secret role some Canadians played during the Second World War in Europe.

A Memorial Service was held on Sunday, November 10th at the Friendship House in Toronto, Canada. □

## NEWS FROM U.S. FRIENDS OF SOVIET PEOPLE

### JESU AND LENIN

*The picture shown here of a monument to Lenin, which was sold by a Russian capitalist to a rich New York landlord. Now this statue is on the roof of his building as a trophy of victory in the Cold War.*



Jesu said to Lenin (in heaven of course):

Vlad, my history's same as yours.

We spoke the truth, and now that Yeltsin's Czar,  
You're treated like some *bete noire*.

*Da*, said Vlad, like when Imperial Rome was boss,  
Pilate nailed you to a cross.

We stood for the same thing,  
didn't we Vlad,  
Regardless of how we stood  
on God?

You said there should no rich  
no poor:

That rich can as soon go  
through heaven's door  
As a camel through the eye  
of a needle.

Do I sound like Lennon,  
the Beatle?

Interesting you should ask  
that, Jesu.

Beatle John was killed, as  
almost were you;

And, like you, in the war  
between classes

His pen was on the side  
of the masses.

But, alas, in that war between  
wealth and labor,

Pen's not always mightier  
than saber.

He's outlawed in his  
own land, Vlad Lenin.

Marxism's dead, says  
George Kennan.

But Rome has outlawed  
Jesu Christus.

Yet he came back because  
he missed us,

And we him. Same will happen  
with Vlad:

Fighters for poor are  
peas in a pod.

Bernard Livingstone □

FROM  
GATESVILLE, TX.  
USA

I enjoy reading NSC and  
here's some thoughts that you  
might find of interest.

It seems that history moves  
in a spiral, meaning the repeti-  
tion of like events except at  
ever higher levels. The next  
restoration of the Soviet Union  
they will face building social-  
ism at a qualitative higher  
level than in 1917.

It will never be the same  
and therefore it must be based  
on lessons of history so that  
mistakes made by the good in-  
tentions must be rectified and  
the sabotage that was made  
under the name of "progress or  
reforms" shall never be allowed  
to happen again.

Felix Gorelik, writing in  
NSC correctly wrote: "History  
gave us a bitter lesson. Under  
the weight of growing bureauc-  
racy, when the top leadership

of the party is out of control of the working class, or of the majority of the party members, it then becomes 'nomenclatura' system and losses contact with the masses..." Precisely! This was fought against both by Lenin and Stalin.

Here are some other proposals that I feel should be instituted in the resurrected Soviet Union.

\*Democratic centralism to be adhered to, updated for the present situation.

\*Plenty of constructive criticism, without giving an inch to counter-revolution, whether in the inside or outside its ranks.

\*Officials elected must be only servants of the people, able to be recalled, demoted or put on trial if so necessary. Position of power is an honour, not a privilege.

\*More effective proletarian rule so that it will be impossible for people such as Gorbachev, Yakovlev, Yeltsin and others to get into positions of power and influence.

It should be obvious to the Soviet people that bourgeois democracy is not a democracy for the working class, nor freedom of speech, nor of the press. The only way to stop the enemies of socialism is to widen as much as possible the base of the State, the dictatorship of the proletariat, until it encompasses the majority. That is the guarantee of any future attempt to restore capitalism. It is of the outmost importance that the forthcoming reconstituted CPSU conveys this to the people.

Our class enemies will persist in disaffirming and confusing the people by stating that: "a restored USSR means returning to the worse of the past!" They will never admit

that the "worse of the past" was by the likes of Krushchev, Gorbachev and Yeltsin, plus the rest of the revisionists. The REAL Communists should reply: "No, on the contrary, this is true proletarian democracy, true democratic centralism, precisely to prevent treacherous revisionists like you from ever reaching power again!"

Ana Lucia Gelabert

FROM  
LEHIGH ACRES,  
FLORIDA, USA

Enclosed is my renewal to an excellent publication. I would give more but I'm not as rich as the present Russian mafiosi who are enslaving Russian people. Every issue I receive is read by others. The word will spread. I don't want to miss a single issue!

Jeffrey A. Gerber

*Keep on spreading the good word about NSC!*

FROM  
MIAMI, FL.  
USA

I hope that all Soviet (Russian) people put aside all small personal ambitions (meaning the present leaders of the different movements) and do what they must do:

\*UNITE  
\*PLAN  
\*ACT

Perhaps the people shall gather enough courage and with dedication to do something for themselves, for us and for the future generations and resurrect their plundered and raped country. This they will do for all of humanity!

Joaquin C. Pedrosa

*We can only say Amen! Your wish is the wish of all of us!*

FROM  
HUDSON, WI.  
USA

Enclosed please find \$150.00 towards the NSC Sustaining Fund. Keep up the good work as we need it now more than ever!

Mary K. Kral

*As always Mary, your help and dedication are much appreciated. Together we shall overcome!*

FROM  
SAN GABRIEL, CA.  
USA

Dear friends:

NSC is a great journal, standing up for the working class of the world. Regarding Yugoslavia, Slobodan Milosevic made a great mistake by allowing all sorts of nationalists to be in his government. Nationalism is dangerous, and this applies also to Albanians. It seems that the same sickness has prevailed in former USSR.

The quarreling between different progressive parties plays into the hands of reaction and their Western backers.

Where is this unity when during Second World War, Yugoslav partisans and Albanian partisans fought Hitler together? It is a tragedy that Yugoslavia is now split into different so-called states that think that they're independent!

It is good to remember that if Stalin, Molotov and the Red Army did not help us, Yugoslavia would not have been liberated. Now the Chetniks and Ustasha are proceeding to do what they were doing during the World War Two!

Pero Niko

*We do not think that we can add anything more. You said it all here!*

FROM  
ENDERBY, B.C. CANADA

Dear comrades:

I am responding to Lydia S.Karhu's appeal to fulfill the 40% of the \$50,000 Sustaining Fund for NSC.

Enclosed is my \$1,000 towards Northstar Compass Sustaining Fund.

Wishing you the best  
William Charney

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We have on hand hundreds of stamps from over 60 countries of the world. They can be yours for a donation to the NSC Sustaining Fund. They are packaged and shall be sent to you after receiving your request and a donation.

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**ORGANIZING COMMITTEE FOR AN  
INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL AND  
NORTHSTAR COMPASS CAMPAIGN FOR  
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Delegates of the Conference '98 agreed to launch a \$50,000 Financial Campaign in order to sustain and expand the work as outlined by the 5th Conference held in February, 1998.

This campaign is being participated in by all readers in the countries where NSC is read and we are certain that it shall be achieved.

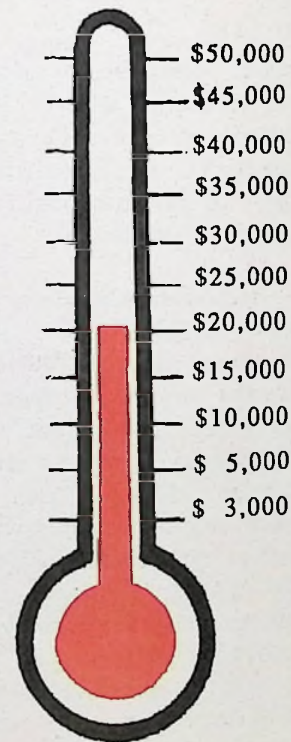
The Organizing Committee for an International Council for Friendship and Solidarity with Soviet People is in the midst of sending out the "CALL" to hold an International Conference in 1999 in Europe in order to elect the International Council.

There are requests that Northstar Compass journal be printed in Spanish, Russian and French editions. How successful this can be depends on donations that NSC receives!

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THE GOAL OF  
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LUCAS

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