School workers strike and win raise

Class war in West Virginia

By Martha Grevatt and Minnie Bruce Pratt

UPDATE, MARCH 6: After nine consecutive work days out on strike, West Virginia’s militant teachers and school staff faced down a right-wing governor and legislature to win a 5 percent pay raise, not just for themselves, but for all state workers. They had vowed to stay out until they won. The bill authorizing the raise passed the House and Senate and was signed by the governor this afternoon. Teachers and staff are likely to return to work March 7 but the possibility of renewed action remains, especially in relation to health insurance funding. To continue to follow workers’ struggles in the state, including Frontier workers represented by CWA, still out on strike, go to FB: WWP West Virginia - Strike Support.

March 5 — In West Virginia, famous for pitched battles between union miners and the coal barons, class war is raging. This time it’s teachers and all school employees on one side and right-wing capitalist politicians on the other. To quote the old labor song, “Which Side Are You On?” — “there are no neutrals.”

Education workers were still out on the picket lines at the end of the day, continuing their historic statewide strike for better wages, as well as blocking health care takeaways and other union-busting attacks. West Virginia ranks 48th in the U.S. for teacher wages — teachers earn less in only two other states. Starting pay is around $32,000 a year, and teachers with families must often apply for food assistance.

The strike in all 55 counties, which began Feb. 22, will continue indefinitely until the state Senate passes a bill granting state education workers a 5 percent raise. On Feb. 28, the House approved the 5 percent pay raise, which billionaire Republican Gov. Jim Justice approved in talks with the three unions the day before. But on March 1, the right-wing Senate proposed taking away the pay raise and diverting it toward supposedly “fixing” the health insurance plan. The legislature must believe the workers will fall for this as if it’s a magic trick. This capitalist fake only made the workers angrier.

Members of both the House and Senate are heavily influenced by the coal, oil and gas company owners of West Virginia.

For three days, including a Saturday when a special session was called, the Senate failed to pass the 5 percent raise. Then they tried to substitute a 4 percent raise under the cover of giving it to all state workers.

A joint statement from the striking unions explained why that was unacceptable: “You do not equalize pay for different groups by simply taking from one and giving to another.”

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Dear education workers of West Virginia,

Your militancy is phenomenal. Your courage to stand up and fight back is inspiring. Your bravery is powerful. Your 55-county-strong strike is historic. You are what we all need.

You have stood in defiance of billionnaire Gov. Jim Justice and the anti-work West Virginia Legislature in order to fight for decent family-supporting wages, for access to affordable health care and in defense of your union rights. You have inspired by showing us a militant strike led overwhelmingly by women.

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I am a social studies teacher in a neighborhood high school in Philadelphia, and your action has caught the attention of me and my co-workers. While we have collective bargaining for public employees (a right won through a strike similar

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Student-athletes treated as slave labor

But as well-known Black journalist, Shaun King, pointed out in the headline for his online Feb. 22 Intersect article: “The NCAA says student-athletes shouldn’t be paid because the 13th Amendment allows unpaid prison labor.” King reminded readers that the NCAA had already challenged lawsuits in 2016 and 2017 advocating for student-athletes to be treated like other workers by paying them for their labor. Lawsuits filed for the college players repeatedly cited that student-athletes were being treated the same as prisoners, who are exploited as slave labor.

The NCAA justified no payment for student-athletes by basing its legal argument on a horrifying clause in the 13th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Adopted after the U.S. Civil War in 1865, that amendment abolished the unpaid labor of slavery except during involuntary servitude in prison because of a criminal conviction. The NCAA’s legal argument racially stereotypes African-American athletes in disproportionate numbers, but generally exploits all student-athletes, regardless of nationality and economic backgrounds.

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Activists to gather in Detroit

By Workers World Detroit bureau

Organizing is in high gear for the National Conference to Defeat Austerity taking place March 24 in Detroit. Workers World Mond Jones told Workers World some of the perspective behind this important gathering, which will have an international focus: “Austerity is the name of the game; a strategy of the ruling class to stifle opposition to the austerity-driven policies that benefit finance capital to ensure its profits at the expense of wages, pensions and benefits for the working class. An analysis of the conflict between the rich and the people reflects the direct imposition of rule by finance capital to ensure its profits at the expense of wages, pensions and benefits for the working class. An analysis of the conflict between the rich and the people reflects the direct imposition of rule by finance capital to ensure its profits at the expense of wages, pensions and benefits for the working class.”

By Scott Scheffer

Rent strike wins in East LA

Residents of the East Los Angeles neighborhood of Boyle Heights are sav- ing a rent strike victory organized by a group of tenants. The Mariachi rent strike forced a real estate developer to sign the first-ever collective bargaining agreement between tenants and a landlord in Los Angeles.

About half the tenants in the 24-unit building are Mariachi entertainers. They moved there to be near Mariachi Plaza, a neighborhood of Boyle Heights are sa - More mothers joined and they became “Unión de Vecinos,” Union of Neighbors. They have been fighting for the rights of Boyle Heights tenants ever since.

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Bay Resistance says ‘Crush ICE’

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Downtown San Francisco, Feb. 28.

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By San Francisco Bay Area WW bureau

arms — sometimes using lengthy exten- sions — and chanted against ICE while blocking ICE entrances and traffic in downtown San Francisco.

One group of marchers arrived followed by a large banner that read, “Crush ICE!” Other protesters painted an enor- mous sign on the street with the message that the Bay Area was protesting ICE and demanding to “Keep families together.” ICE’s assaults on various communi- ties in the Bay Area from San Jose to Oakland to San Francisco had led to the arrests of 150 people. According to ICE spokespeople, another 804 people had been targeted but escaped. For this slip- up, ICE officials attempted to blame local elected politicians like Oakland Mayor Libby Schaff, who warned people of the upcoming raids. Many of the local elect - ed officials in California opposed the blat- ant repression of the raids and say they won’t cooperate with ICE.

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Behind Janus v. AFSCME
A racist, sexist threat to all union labor
By Edward Yudelson

The U.S. Supreme Court heard arguments Feb. 26 on the Janus v. AFSCME, Council 31 case. A decision, expected by June, threatens to overturn a 1977 SCOTUS decision that defended the right of public sector unions, such as the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, to collect dues from nonmembers represented by the unions. These nonmembers receive the same collective bargaining, economic and medical benefits as dues-paying members. Thus a decision against automatic collection of dues from all workers weakens the ability of public worker unions to do their job.

Since 7.3 million, or nearly half the 14.8 million union members in the United States, are public sector workers, the Janus case represents a potential blow to union membership density and the fiscal survival of many unions. The union membership rate of public sector workers is 34.4 percent, while that of private sector workers is 10.3 percent. (U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics, Jan. 19)

In addition, because of the makeup of public sector workers, the Janus case is a special threat to the rights of women and African-American workers. Women made up 57 percent of the public sector workforce in 2013. African-American workers make up 16 percent of the public sector workforce. African-Americans work for the government in a public sector job. Black women make up 17.7 percent of public sector workers. 45 backs attack on unions

Since the Janus case is an attack on labor, black people, women and all workers, it should be no surprise that Trump — the racist bigot and misogynist in chief, called “45” in disgust by many union members — is supporting Mark Janus, the public employee in Illinois who brought the suit against the union. The Trump administration’s Department of Justice filed a brief in support of Janus, alleging that Janus’ First Amendment free-speech rights were violated.

Trump’s appointment of reactionary justice Neil Gorsuch to the court was aimed at establishing a reactionary majority. This was evident in his March 29, 2016, Friedrichs v. California Public Employees Retirement System, which stepped up its campaign to turn back the clock on labor. Work Movement, which stepped up its March 29, 2016, Friedrichs v. California Public Employees Retirement System, which stepped up its campaign to turn back the clock on labor.

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Grad workers and teachers strike in Illinois
By Kaitlyn Griffith

Graduate workers at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign entered their third day of striking on Feb. 28. Workers demonstrated, using empty buckets and trash cans as drums. The grad workers are represented by the Graduate Employees Organization (GEO).

At 8 a.m., grad workers formed five picket lines outside of each entrance to Lincoln Hall, which houses the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. As the day progressed, the picket lines grew until they combined into the colorful clouds that circled the entire building. This was the third consecutive day that all classes in Lincoln Hall had to be canceled or moved.

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Hundred of graduate workers rallied with faculty and undergraduate supporters on the main quad. The UIUC administration is refusing to come to the table to bargain in good faith, so the strike will continue into March.
School workers strike win raise

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The three unions are the American Federation of Teachers-West Virginia, the West Virginia Education Association and the West Virginia School Service Personnel Association.

A Senate clerical error actually en- dorced the 5 percent increase briefly before pro-business senators rushed to erase the raise. One striker's social media comment was that the legislators seemed to need a teacher to help them check their figures and their draft language.

The strike's impact was felt early when the governor approved, and the Republican-majority House passed, the Republican-majority House passed, the

The governor’s offer did not create a permanent fix for the Public Employees Insurance Agency, only proposing a tem- porary “freeze” on health care insurance premiums and a “task force” to find more funding sources. However, the worst leg- islative changes to PEIA, mostly various excuses to raise premiums, are preserved for the future.

The strength of what is essentially a general strike of education workers was demonstrated March when 45 county school superintendents told Republican legislators that the school Strike was going on until 15 percent the 5 percent increase passed. Now all 55 superintendents have taken that position.

Statewide wildcat strike

Strikers have rallied around the slogan #55Strong. The multiunion, majori- ty-women, rank and file set in motion and unsatisfied by the governor’s proposal, stated strongly they deserved a bigger say in the mix of the contract. So on Wednesday, Feb. 28, workers continued to picket, with shouts of “We’re not letting anybody cross this line!” Some who voted for Trump and Republicans in the last election now point to betrayal by the rich, shouting, “Make ‘em pay in May!” when election primaries are held. (USA Today, March 1)

Teacher and union activist Phil, a school worker since 1984, explained the largest labor uprising in U.S. histo- ry, with 10,000 armed coal miners con- fronting 3,000 police and strikebreakers. Throughout the 1920s and early 1930s the United Mine Workers was a mighty force, with wildcat strikes common, including thou- sands during the 1970s. Some strikers are reporting the productivity of West Virginia schools that miners were doing during the 1921 revolt.

On Thursday, March 1, the workers de- faulted on their May 1 deadline. One worker said to WW that most strikers want big businesses, especially Big Oil, taxed at a higher rate so the state can pay education workers better wages and benefits.

On March 2, 3 and 5, militant ral- lies drew thousands to the state capital, Charleston. On March 2, 300 strikers marched to support their teachers, holding signs and chanting, “Teachers for teachers, we stand together.” Teachers who have joined teachers in occupying the Capitol building interior for multiple days.

Tremendous solidarity has come from other unions: Teamsters, Mine Work- ers, Communication Workers and even unions in other countries and conserva- tives. Folks need to fight within their unions, to make them more pro- labor. We await the Supreme Court decision on the Janus case, which would effectively make public sector workers in all states right-to-work, we are reminded that even workers in the RTW states, concentrated in the U.S. South, can build their unions, fight back and win.

The Southern Workers Assembly is- sued a solidarity message: “In the days as we await the Supreme Court decision on the Janus case, which would effectively make public sector workers in all states right-to-work, we are reminded that even workers in the RTW states, concentrated in the U.S. South, can build their unions, fight back and win. The type of mass rank-and-file action displayed by WW edu- cators is an example for us all to follow.”

More solidarity messages have flowed in, including from the Boston School Bus Drivers Union, United Steelworkers Local 8751; Harvard TPS Coalition, a group of union cooks, custodians and clerical workers at Harvard University supporting immigrant workers losing temporary pro- tective status; and New York-based Par- ents for Improved School Transportation.

The West Virginia example is already being followed. About 1,400 members of the Communication Workers in West Virginia and Ashburn, Va., walked out March 4 at midnight and are striking Frontier Communications. Many of them were learning about strikes by picketing alongside teachers. They are fighting for job security as Frontier has eliminated 500 jobs since acquiring Verizon land- lines in 2010.

The world is watching the class war in West Virginia. As rank-and-file union members direct their burning anger against the viciousness of the cap- italist system!

Ota Grotewohl contributed to this article.
North Korean women thrive despite imperialist threats

By Julie Varughese


When I read it, I burst out in laughter. The DPRK (also known as north Korea) was not among the Uniting Nation countries that limit its ability to take care of its own people. It also faces a constant threat of a nuclear attack by the U.S., which keeps a large military presence in south Korea and Okinawa and on its ships. Following north Korea’s recent move to cooperate with south Korea, the U.S. has only ramped up its aggressive language against the DPRK. In fact, the U.S. war against north Korea has never ended.

In November, a United Nations human rights panel claimed north Korean women are deprived of education and job opportunities and are often subjected to violence at home and sexual assault in the workplace. Recent pieces have come out saying that women and children are being raped and are trafficked.

This is the kind of news that tugs on the heartstrings of liberals and encourages so-called humanitarian interventions, the same humanitarian intervention that destroyed Afghanistan, Iraq and Libya. But how many more times will we witness this tactic of blaming and criticizing these lies being told about countries the ruling class needs to invade to maintain full spectrum dominance?

Let me tell you about what the CIA — and the so-called greatest country in the world is at the bottom.

WHO criticized an earlier Amnesty International report on north Korea for an outdated and factually inaccurate report that described “barely functioning hospitals.”

Pyongyang Maternity Hospital and North Pyongan Provincial Maternity Hospital were awarded plaques declaring them baby-friendly hospitals in a ceremony at the UNICEF Thailand office for attaining all 10 targets of breastfeeding set by WHO and the United Nation’s Children’s Fund. Mothers typically stay in the hospital for 10 days after giving birth, and those who give birth through Cesarean section stay for 15 days. Mothers of triplets are hospitalized until the smallest child weighs at least 13 pounds.

The late President Kim Jong Il decided to build the Pyongyang Maternity Hospital in 1978 because he wished no more women would die because of pregnancy complications, which is how his mother died. Current President Kim Jong Un added the breast cancer treatment wing in 2012 because his mother had died of breast cancer.

We defend the Korean people’s right to determine the fate of their peninsula, because a threat of invasion by the U.S. military and its allies on behalf of the imperialist war machine undermines Black and Brown communities around the globe. The global ruling class anywhere in the world is at the bottom.

BBWC co-founder Shani Akilah added: “An organization is not community-based if the leadership does not reflect those most impacted. We declare that the demand to build a people’s Maternity Hospital in north Korea, which is its own hospital, is a threat of invasion and exploitation everywhere.”

Julie Varughese, a candidate member of Workers World Party, is communications advisor at the Black Alliance for Peace, an organization with The People’s MPA and co-founder of Antivirus Future, a campaign to build a youth-driven anti-war movement in the United States.
Black mothers die of heart failure

According to a Dec. 7 article in ProPublica, “In recent years, as high rates of maternal mortality in the U.S. have alarmed researchers, one statistic has been especially concerning. According to the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention], black mothers in the U.S. die at three to four times the rate of white mothers, one of the widest of all racial disparities in world health. Put another way, a black woman is 243 percent more likely to die from pregnancy or up to five months after giving birth than a white woman. This is an all too common occurrence after a Black woman births a baby.”

The American Heart Association says, “Peripartum cardiomyopathy (PPCM), also known as postpartum cardiomyopathy, is an uncommon form of heart failure that happens during the last month of pregnancy or up to five months after giving birth.”

However, the AHA also says this is “a rare occurrence” — because it isn’t checking for PPCM among Black women. If the organism was doing that, everyone in the U.S. would or should be outraged.

Meghan Brooks, in an article titled “Peripartum Cardiomyopathy More Severe For Black Women,” writes: “African American women with PPCM are diagnosed later postpartum, they present with more severe symptoms, their cardiac function worsens after diagnosis more often and recovers less frequently, and, as the women are sicker, their pregnancy or life is at risk. They are sicker. They often come too late to treatment. They take longer to do so.”

Serena Williams gave birth to her baby daughter on Sept. 1. She has a history of blood clots. After giving birth via C-section, she had a transfusion of blood. In a Jan. 10 article in Vogue titled “Sere

na Williams on Moth-

ern Health,” she wrote, “Making Her Comeback,” she explains that she knew at large. Rarely is there a “CT scan with contrast and IV heparin (a blood thinner) right away. The nurse thought her pain medicine might be making her confused. But Serena insisted, and soon enough a doctor was performing an ultrasound of her legs. ‘I was like, a Dopper? I told you, I need a CT scan and a heparin drip,’ she remembers telling the team. The ultrasound revealed nothing, so they sent her for the CT, and sure enough, several small blood clots had settled in her lungs. Minutes later she was on the drip. ‘I literally, listen to Dr. Williams!’”

Infant mortality among African Americans

Williams, who has unlimited funds, was not initially heard by the medical staff. Imagine the situation facing a woman living in a poor neighborhood going to a hospital with a biased staff. It is most certainly would have led to a different outcome. This is good information to know. What do we do with this informed knowledge? Who takes up our cause? Also, with the high rate of Black mothers dying, it leads to the topic of infant mortality rates among Black children.

When I was pregnant with my son, I heard a statistic that Black boys had the highest infant mortality rate up until the age of five. I couldn’t stop worrying about my son until he was five. I still worry because he can get shot while at school or while being a Black male anywhere in the U.S. I need a CT scan and a heparin drip,” she remembers telling the team. The ultrasound revealed nothing, so they sent her for the CT, and sure enough, several small blood clots had settled in her lungs. Minutes later she was on the drip. “I literally, listen to Dr. Williams!”

By Mikisa Thompson

Women’s History Month is an annual U.S. event that highlights the contributions of women to historical events and contemporary society. As a Black woman and member of the Black feminist community, there are many issues that affect me and my community at large. Racism and the ways in which white supremacy rears its ugly head are woven into our lives on a daily basis — especially when we are most vulnerable.

As Black women, during pregnancy and childbirth, we are at the most vulnerable to systemic racism. Black women are disproportionately affected by police brutality, low wages, homelessness and the violence of racism and genocide.

Defending trans lives from violence

By Workers World Boston bureau

Dozens of queer, trans, intersex, two-spirit, nonbinary people and their supporters gathered Feb. 24 at City Hall in North Adams, Mass., to speak out about the wave of trans murders reported in the early weeks of 2018 in the U.S. Demonstrators waved transgender flags and carried signs made in memo-

ory of fallen trans women: Christa Leigh Steel-Knudslien of North Adams, Ma.; Vis-

ky Gutierrez of Honduras and Los An-
geles; Celine Walker in Jacksonville, Fla.; and Tonya “Kita” Harvey of Buffalo, N.Y. Demonstrators also gathered in Buffalo, N.Y., and at an LGBTQ conference in Amherst, Mass.

Rally co-director of the Holyoke, Mass., Sexual Minorities Archive, one of the event’s organizers and a close friend of Christa Leigh Steel-Knudslien — be-

gan calling for change. “Reincarnations of Christa’s life and her role in organiz-

ing the local trans community. Power also drew links between anti-trans vi-

ence and harassment and the deadly toll of intimate partner violence upon so

many women, including trans women. Steele-Knudslien’s husband was arrested in January and charged with her murder. This connection was echoed by Jaha-

da DeAlto of the Berkshire LGBTQ Pride committee, who explained to the crowd that, as “an out, proud and alive trans woman of color, I am twice as likely to become a victim of intimate partner violen-

cence in my lifetime; I am also twice as likely to experience sexual assault in my lifetime; and as I turn 39 years old, I will be four years past my life expectancy.”

Nat Heathman, a Narragansett two-

spirit activist and member of Workers World Party, spoke from an Indigenous peoples’ perspective on the abuse and murder of trans people. “I just want to say that we are standing on stolen land. This land belonged to my ancestors. And one of the great things about this land is that before the colonialists came here and stole it and ruined it, there were non-

binary people lived here. So we are not a new thing. ‘We’re not abnormal, this is not an illness, this is not a fad and it’s not an anomaly. If humanity matters to you, then this should matter to you as well.’

By Erica Garner

Erica Garner, who died of a bro-

ken heart on Dec. 30 after her father, Eric Garner, was murdered in 2014 by a police officer while being a Black male anywhere in the U.S. I need a CT scan and a heparin drip,” she remembers telling the team. The ultrasound revealed nothing, so they sent her for the CT, and sure enough, several small blood clots had settled in her lungs. Minutes later she was on the drip. “I literally, listen to Dr. Williams!”


Time to take action

Queer organizer and member of the Boston WWP trans caucus Gery Arms

by told the crowd and passersby, “We are demanding that all people of conscience take action to defend trans lives, especial-

ly the lives of trans women of color, who face transphobia at the intersection of racism and sexism.”

Armsby continued, “We live in a racist, woman-hating society — so every time we set out to speak truth to power we should think about building the broadest possible solidarity to show that we can and must change that. We won’t end transphobic murders unless we fight just as fiercely against racism and police brutality with the same breath. We won’t stop getting mad about the gender markers on our documents unless we fight for all undocu-

mented people at the same time! We won’t get the healthcare we need unless we fight for health care as a right for all people at the same time. We won’t have better jobs and wages for trans peo-

ple until we win the right not to have financial precarity, not to have the money to pay rent, the money to eat a meal, the money to pay for gas, and the money to go to a job and a living wage and a union.”

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U.S. denial of visa to world union leader protested

In early February, the U.S. State Department denied a travel visa to George Mavrikos, the general secretary of the World Federation of Trade Unions (WFTU), after he was refused a visa to World Federation of Trade Unions headquarters in the United Nations, where he is a permanent representative of the WFTU.

Workers World Party issued the following statement in protest of the U.S. government’s action.

Workers World Party strongly protests the U.S. government’s decision to deny a visa to World Federation of Trade Unions General Secretary George Mavrikos. As leader of the world labor federation with 92 million members, brother Mavrikos has every right to travel to this country. World union leaders have every right to exchange ideas, information and solidarity with U.S. workers — workers whose rights are being eroded as we speak by the union busting administration in Washington and by profit-driven capitalists.

This case is particularly outrageous, given that Secretary Mavrikos was expected to participate in a March event at the United Nations, where he is a permanent representative of the WFTU, which has had a U.N. presence since its founding in 1945.

Workers here can learn a great deal from the class struggle-oriented WFTU, which is growing all over the world, especially in Africa, Asia and Latin America. We can learn from the workers of Greece, Mavrikos’ homeland, whose resistance to capitalist austerity is an inspiration to workers and oppressed people everywhere.

We demand the U.S. government issue the visa that Mavrikos applied for and cease its efforts to prevent U.S. unionists from learning about the anti-imperialist, anti-capitalist fighting unions that comprise the WFTU.

The WFTU sent the following message to Workers World Party after receiving our message:

Dear comrades,

We acknowledge receipt of your statement. We thank you for the solidarity and we ensure you that the WFTU will firmly continue its internationalist and anti-imperialist action in favor of the world’s working class.

Fraternally regards,

WFTU HQ

Rent strike wins in East LA

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Demonstration. Although he wanted to meet only one tenant at a time, he finally agreed to meet a committee. After his lawyers offered practically nothing, the organizers walked out, saying, “See you at your house!” which they did.

Turner’s lawyers asked the tenants to stop protesting at his house, but still wouldn’t offer anything. A second demonstration at his home was larger and drew other chapters of the LA Tenants Union.

Even some of Turner’s wealthy neighbors brought food to the picketers, and the local media again covered the story extensively. Turner’s office offered deals to individual tenants, but no one broke their unity. Later in November, activists showed up at his home a third time — but this time they pitched tents on the sidewalk, and Mariachi performed late into the night.

In early December, Turner’s office came to the bargaining table and the tenants won.

Ramirez added: “We try to always link the immigration struggle with our tenants’ rights struggle, because Immigration and Customs Enforcement is driving people out and that makes the neighborhood even more vulnerable to these corporate thieves.

“When they knock down a building and put up a new one, we want the rents to be appropriate for the median income of the people who live in the neighborhood so the same kind of tenants can move back in. We want to negotiate five-year contracts that spell out the limits on rent increases and to always have maintenance as part of the agreement.”

Currently rent strikes are happening or being planned in four more Los Angeles neighborhoods, with a combined count of about 400 rentals.

Defending trans lives from violence

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Armstrong reminded the group: “The Stonewall Rebellion of 1969 was ignite
d by queer and trans youth of color who were already active in the struggles against racism, war and economic injustic
e that were raging in the late 1960s.

So, in truth, this is what the struggle for trans liberation is all about: fighting shoulder-to-shoulder to bring about real change. Let’s revive the spirit of Stone
camp, and with the memory of our fallen comrades in our hearts, let’s fight like hell for real, lasting justice, solidarity and power for all the people.”

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**Actions demand ‘U.S. hands off Korea!’**

By Workers World staff

Meetings, literature distributions and demonstrations occurred around the U.S. to protest the continuing escalation of war threats by the Trump administration against the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea. Here are reports about some of them.

Los Angeles

Organizations in Los Angeles gathered at a military recruiting station on March 4 to protest U.S. threats against the DPRK and demand no new U.S. war games on the Korean peninsula.

The protest began at the CNN building with chants demanding the withdrawal of all U.S. troops in south Korea along with U.S. THAAD (Terminal High Altitude Area Defense) missiles.

According to the Action Center, a statement on March 6: “The North Korean Ministry of People’s and Social Security confirmed that the military threat to the North was no longer visible in an exchange of high-level talks between delegations from the divided peninsula,” said William Ree from the Korean Peace Alliance who, along with Bev Tang from the International League of Peoples’ Struggle, emceed the event.

Rebecca Jackson of the International Action Center said, “These recent attacks by the U.S. are part of a long history of destabilization. This is a struggle of indigenous people resisting U.S. imperialism and exploitation.”

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Philadelphia

Resisting criminal sanctions

A Philadelphia meeting Feb. 27 featured Huryn Lee, editor of Zoom in Korea, and Deirdre Griswold, editor of Workers World newspaper.

Lee gave a remarkable PowerPoint presentation on economic and scientific developments in the DPRK that allow it to withstand criminal U.S. sanctions. After a massive project to build tunnels, dams and canals to control waterways in the country’s mountains, the DPRK is now able to grow enough food for its people and does so with much lower electrical usage.

Combined with military advances in nuclear weapons that act as a necessary deterrent and allow the DPRK to defend itself from U.S. attack, the DPRK leadership is directing more attention to reunification with south Korea.

Griswold gave a historical overview of the 150-year attempt by U.S. imperialists to control and exploit Korea. In July 1866, the General Sherman, a U.S. Merchant Marine ship, was stopped and burned in the Taedong River by Korean patriots. Griswold stressed that the unending spirit of refusal to accept foreign domination continues to this day against Trump’s aggression.

The event was organized by the Philadelphia International Action Center and Workers World and was endorsed by International Concerned Family & Friends of Mumia Abu-Jamal; Comité Boricua Filipina-Candombe and Philadelphia Committee for Peace and Justice in Asia.

Chicago

Demonstrators gathered in downtown Chicago during the busy 5:00 p.m. rush hour on March 2. An activist distributed Workers World newspapers to passersby while saying, “The people of Korea are marching together for peace, but Trump wants a nuclear war. We don’t need another war!” He reported that 90 percent of the people responded with “That’s right,” “No, we don’t!” or “I agree.” No one person said they supported a war with the DPRK.

Will U.S. agree to Korea talks?

By Deirdre Griswold

After two days of direct talks in Pyongyang between representatives of both north and south Korea, the south issued a statement on March 6: “The North Korean side clearly stated its willingness to denuclearize. It made it clear that it would have no reason to keep nuclear weapons if the military threat to the North was eliminated and its security guaranteed.

“The North expressed its willingness to hold high-level talks with the Unite-
ded States on the issues of denucleariza-
tion and normalizing relations with the United States. It made it clear that while dialogue is continuing, it will not attempt any strategic provocations, such as nuclae-
ar and ballistic missile tests.”

As of this writing, there has been no public comment yet from the Democratic People’s Republic of Korea in the north confirming or denying this view of the talks. Therefore, what we say here is only preliminary.

Let us assume that the statement from the south is generally correct. What does this mean for the anti-war movement in the U.S.?

This paper reported on demonstra-
tions, including anti-war protests in five cities last week on the theme “Hands off Korea!” in which Workers World Party participated. These were modest events, but they did have an impact and showed it is possible to get out publicly and defend the DPRK despite the avalanche of vicious attacks by the entire establishment media.

But considering the open threats of nuclear war coming from both the White House and the Pentagon in the last year, it is astonishing that there has been no larger response by anti-war forces.

Hopefully, this will change. It should not go unchallenged that the war danger does not come from the DPRK. For three-quarters of a century, the U.S. has been on the brink of war with south Korea and its huge war “games” every year, simulating an invasion of the north, were meant to “protect” the people of south Korea. This field was turned into a military arsenal when U.S. troops and south marched together under one flag and were wildly cheered at the PyongChang Olympics last month.

All along, the DPRK has said that its nuclear program is meant to defend the country, as a deterrent against a U.S. attack. As long as the U.S. claims it needs to keep — and now upgrade — its nuclear arsenal of 7,000 warheads for “defense,” then the DPRK is a thousand times more justified in having its own deterrent of a few dozen bombs.

However, it is now being reported that the DPRK is willing to discuss with the U.S. how to defuse the tense situation that exists, including the issue of denuclearization.

But such talks will only be possible if the U.S. is willing to discuss ending its “war games,” signing a peace treaty and beginning its troops home from south Ko-
rea.

The ball is now in the court of the U.S. The movement here needs to take this situation very, very seriously. Every effort will be made by the war hawks in Wash-
ington to ratchet up sanctions and threats against the north in order to block north-south efforts at reconciliation.

“Hands off Korea” should be a top priority in the growing struggle against imperialist wars, being waged around the globe.

Photo and report by Joe Piette
When people unfamiliar with U.S. labor history think about a strike in West Virginia, what is their first thought? It’s about armed miners battling mercenaries, about open class warfare, about the Matewan Massacre in 1920 and the Battle of Blair Mountain in 1921. They think about how physically courageous the miners were. They think about how the women and men in miners’ families picked up arms. They remember how important it was to build unity in struggle among African-American miners, Italian-immigrant miners and others who had been born in the region. It was vital for each section of workers to have leadership in the union. It was vital for the leadership to reflect the militancy of the union rank and file. Or to step aside.

By battles to the end could unions grow and strikes win a living wage for the miners and other union workers of mountaneous West Virginia. 

Fast forward 97 years since the Battle of Blair Mountain. There have been ups and very big downs for union workers in the United States, including West Virginia. Blair Mountain is now the site of another historic confrontation. It involves not just miners — whose work force has shrunk due to changes in technology like “mountaintop removal” — but education workers. Many of these teachers and other school staff, mostly women, are children and grandchildren of the miners who built the United Mine Workers union. They learned early in life that unity and militancy were needed in any strike. That only by fighting and fighting could they win.

Teachers’ pay in West Virginia is 22 percent lower than the national average. They have inadequate medical coverage — and even that is under attack. Like all teachers, they have been the target of the bosses, blamed for all the failures of an underfunded school system and the crisis of the economic system. They have little value, no say. They know they need unity to win and the support of their students and communities. They have made it possible to provide food for their students, a majority of whom depend on school breakfasts and lunches. When the leaders of their unions agreed to a deal they found wanting, they rejected it and have tenaciously continued the strike.

As of Monday, March 5, they have built unity among themselves. They carry placards citing the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. They have shown the courage to confront the repressive state apparatus — headed by a right-wing millionaire governor — named Jim Justice who dishes out injustice. They are facing down the oil and gas bosses and their legislative lackeys in the state’s House and Senate.

The workers are facing down any one trying to sell them a bad contract. They are setting an example for workers around the country, who are inspired to see the West Virginia struggle unfold.

In nearby Pittsburgh, the threat of a teachers’ strike brought an immediate better offer. In West Virginia and Virginia, Communications Workers members at Frontier Communications are beginning a strike with many of the same issues as the teachers and other education workers. Oklahoma teachers are organizing to strike.

The bosses fear that the West Virginia mood might “go viral.” Yes! Bring it on!

What those on strike need is the active solidarity of all other unions and workers around the country. Speak up and express your solidarity with and admiration for their struggle. Ask them what they need — people, funds, local actions and come through.

The outcome of this struggle in West Virginia is vital to building the strength of workers and the labor movement throughout the country.

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Young “Dreamers” and other immigrants have tenaciously continued the strike. When they found wanting, they rejected it and the leaders of their unions agreed to a deal. They have little to lose, many say. They are young, workers, African-American. Gundy exposed the widespread hypocrisy toward Black football and basketball players, the majority of whom are white, who can bypass college to become professional players, starting in the NBA. He is right.

Gundy stated, “I’ve always been in favor of [players] going straight to the NBA. As a kid growing up, I was an athlete. I understand what it means to have that opportunity, basketball or any other professional sport, we’re able to limit somebody’s ability to make money. I think personally those who are forced to earn them coming out made a lot of excuses but a lot of it was racism.”

Continued, “I’ve never heard anybody go up in arms” about letting kids go out and play minor-league baseball or hockey. They’re not making big money and they’re white kids and nobody has a problem. But all of a sudden, you’ve got a black kid who wants to come out of high school and make millions — that’s a bad decision?”

Lonzo Ball, a celebrated rookie on the Los Angeles Lakers, stated that all NCAA players — in all sports — should be paid. (Sports Nation, Feb. 26)

On Feb. 27 Twitter video, Jay Williams, a former African-American analyst for ESPN, and a former Duke University and NBA basketball player, called for a player strike to protest the NCAA’s upcoming March Madness tournament. Williams said, “Imagine how quickly the NCAA would realize it’s not just a business for [itself], but also a business for the athletes as well.” (msn.com, Feb. 28)

In whatever way the latest scandal plays out, Black student-athletes will publicly hear the brunt as scapegoats for the corruption built into capitalism. The hope is there will be more and more pressure from players and fans to compensate these athletes, whose skills, talents and work make college sports so profitable.

International Working Women’s Day, March 8, is a time to hail the struggles of women in the U.S. and worldwide. This special day was first observed by European socialists in 1910, who sought to honor women workers worldwide and win votes for global unity and solidarity among them.

Today, it is crucial to stress the “international” essence of this day — to express solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the globe who are living under the ravages of impoverishment, workplace exploitation, racism, war and illness caused by U.S. imperialism.

The call for solidarity is ever more important as the Trump administration as- sails with racist vitriol our sisters in Haiti and Africa, bans our Muslim sisters and their families from entering the U.S., and viciously rounds up and deport Latin American immigrants, brutally separat- ing families.

Congress members, Republicans and Democrats, have voted another $700 bil- lion for the Pentagon to “modernize” its weaponry and armies for expanding U.S. military operations in the Middle East, East Asia and elsewhere. This is the worst impact of these wars falls on wom- en and children — a crisis which cries out for opposition and solidarity from wom- en in the U.S.

Meanwhile, at home, the white sup- remacist, misogynist in the White House has declared war on the hard-won rights and gains of women, workers, oppressed communities, students, retirees, and LGBTQ people, including trans women.

As a member of the super-rich capi- talists, billionaire Trump has carried out their program of corporate tax cuts. He and his right-wing political cronies are determined to gut essential federal pro- grams to further enrich their coffer and transfer billions more to the military-in- industrial complex. The potential harm to women, low-income workers, people of color, disabled individuals and seniors is enormous.

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U.N. ignores genocidal war on Yemen

By Randi Nord
Editor, Geopolitics Alert

Zimbabwe carried out so many terror attacks with Washington’s support the last few days in February that this writer had trouble tallying all the incidents. A U.S. Security Council report did not address these genocidal attacks and instead chose to focus on rallying support for a war against Iran.

Five young girls between the ages of 7 and 15 died after airstrikes targeted a farm in a village north of Hays in Hodeidah province during the day before, terror strikes killed another four civilians in Hodeidah. In Nehm, U.S.-backed airstrike murdered a mother and her two sons in their home.

A total of six died and four were injured in an attack in Saada, including women and children. In a separate Saada attack, paramedics and news reporters had to flee as Riyadh carried out double-tap strikes on a civilian home while rescuers and news personnel entered the scene. This raid left 19 people dead and wounded, including one paramedic.

These airstrike terror attacks in various Yemeni provinces killed dozens—nearly 40—just during two days. Silence from U.N. Security Council

The timing of these attacks is particularly heinous. On Feb. 26, Britain participated in the U.S. Security Council blaming Iran for supporting so-called “terror activities” in Yemen. Although the measure did not pass due to a veto from Russia, 11 out of 15 members supported its content. China and Kazakhstan abstained while Bolivia voted against the resolution.

If passed, this resolution could open the door to a NATO-led war against Iran. U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Nikki Haley backed up this possibility, threatening “unilateral action” against the Islamic Republic. “If Russia is going to continue to cover for Iran, then the U.S. and our partners need to take action on our own. If we’re not going to get action on the council, then we have to take our own actions,” Haley told reporters. Russia instead proposed a counter resolution which upholds the devastating sanctions against Yemen but removes any mention of Iran. The U.N. Security Council approved that measure unanimously. Disturbingly (although not shockingly), the Security Council did not address Saudi Arabia’s war crimes and genocidal actions in Yemen. Nor did it mention the six-point reconciliation plan that Ansarullah—which the Western media reduce to simply “the Houthis”—submitted to the council.

Covering up war crimes

The British resolution was a clear attempt to skirt the West’s own war crimes in Yemen.

Far from a mere passive observer, the United States provides both military and intelligence support to Emirates and Saudi-backed forces. Saudi airstrikes and ground operations have killed and injured more than 35,000 people in the past three years. U.S. forces provide intelligence support for selecting airstrike targets. Riyadh’s airstrike campaign frequently targets markets, homes, cars, media crews, farms, factories, prisons and even ambulances.

In the August 2017 documentary, “Venezuela, la Shadow Agenda,” director Hernando Calvo Osipina challenges prevailing corporate media storylines attacking Bolivarian Venezuela and Nicolás Maduro, its president.

Oil is the root and prized goal of the U.S. effort to destabilize Venezuela today. So says Calvo Osipina through interviews with historians, economists, journalists and an oil expert.

How much oil? U.S. Geological Survey says Venezuela has 28 percent of the world’s recoverable oil reserves. According to an oil expert, only 4 percent of the reserves have been developed. Venezuelan oil fields established as long ago as 1913 are still producing half a million barrels of oil per day. Other fields have produced since 1925, 1930 and 1956.

The late President Hugo Chávez Frias and his successor Nicolás Maduro Moro are not the first Venezuelan leaders to attempt to use Venezuelan resources for national projects.

Like the lies about weapons of mass destruction that preceded the disastrous U.S.-Iraq invasion, the false, calculated images of instability and shortages become an excuse for political and military intervention or for potential seizure of the oil-rich Maracaibo region.

Latin America and the Caribbean are pushing back against imperialism’s offensive to overturn popular advances in what the U.S. considers its “backyard.” Bolivarian Venezuela, Bolivia, Ecuador and Cuba are also targets of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States as a Zone of Peace, the People’s Trade Treaty of the Bolivarian Alliance for the Peoples of Our America (Altepue). These initiatives and experiments in cooperative development and trade have inspired hope around the world by spreading literacy, health care and the upholding of the disenfranchised, Indigenous, African descendants, women, LGBTQ (GBTQi) and gender nonconforming people.

Paul Gillman, a rock musician, explained that the Venezuelan rulers hated Chavez because he was Black, without a degree and not part of the bourgeoisie: “He made visible the invisible people, that 80 percent who were poor, the 40 percent who lived in extreme poverty. Chavez gave voice, vote and power to the people.”

Has the multifaceted media campaign against Venezuela made you wonder what is going on there? The documentary “Venezuela, la Shadow Agenda” exposes imperialist machinations and arms us with facts and history to defend President Maduro and Venezuela. USA/CIA, hands off Venezuela!

“Venezuela, la Shadow Agenda” (“Venezuela, la oscura causa”) is 40 mins, Spanish with English subtitles: youtu.be/acZjQ1t9MXg.

Impacto del racismo en la maternidad

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“Como mujer negra del sur profundo que es obstetra y madre, mi gran deseo fue con este entendimiento que creó el National Birth Equity Collaborative en 2013. (The Renewal Project, 30 de noviembre). Las mujeres afroamericanas continuaron haciendo el trabajo para que la menor de ellas pueda florecer. Las estadísticas presentadas en este artículo deberían conducir a un levantamiento importante porque la suprema bánica está desmantelando nuestros hogares a través del daño a las mujeres negras y nuestros hijos. Esto es genocidio: la matanza deliberada de un gran grupo de personas, especialmente las de un grupo étnico o nación en particular.

Público, despierta! Los efectos del racismo en nosotros estamos matando y figuran colectivamente, continuamos derramando monumentos a la suprema bianca. Eventualmente, eso causará un cambio real en el tratamiento de las amenazas sistémicas del racismo y su impacto en la salud de las mujeres negras y nuestras/os hijos.”

A home in Sana’a destroyed by Saudi air- strikes on February 17. Lance crews entering bomb sites. This af- firms Washington’s direct participation in gruesome war crimes and arguably genocide against the Yemeni people.

U.S. Navy ships enforce the siege and blockade throughout the Red Sea by prohibiting aid and cargo ships from docking in resistance-held territory, such as the Hodeidah port, where Saudi airstrikes destroyed the port’s cranes.

Over 8 million Yemenis face direct famines, lack of food, air and sea blockade, which severely restricts food, aid, salaries, flow of movement and vital medical supplies. Saudi Arabia demand- ed the closure of Yemen’s main airport in Sana’a and subsequently destroyed its infrastructure. A resultant cholera epidemic affecting 1 million people may soon be exacerbated during the rainy season, which starts in April.
Impacto del racismo en la maternidad

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El Mes de la Historia de la Mujer es un evento anual que destaca las contribuciones de las mujeres en los eventos históricos. Sin embargo, las mujeres negras están desproporcionadamente afectadas por el ultrajar racial y policial, los bajos salarios, la falta de vida y la violencia del racismo y el genocidio.

Madres negras mueren de manera innecesaria

Según un artículo del 7 de diciembre en ProPublica, “En los últimos años, mientras las altas tasas de mortalidad materna en EUA han sido descritas como una estadística ha sido especialmente preocupante. Según los [Centros para el Control y la Prevención de Enfermedades, CDC], las madres negras en EUA mueren entre tres y cuatro veces más que las madres blancas, una de las más ampliamente discutidas en la salud de las mujeres. Dicho de otra manera, una mujer negra tiene un 243 por ciento más de probabilidades de morir por causas relacionadas con el embarazo o el parto que una mujer blanca. En otras palabras, el trastorno se ha agrandado en el tiempo que lo que en la atención médica. El prejuicio hacia las mujeres y los/os niños no es la clave del problema. Las madres de casi todas las razas no son oídas cuando hablan sobre el manejo del dolor las/os mujeres o los niños. Afirman que la atención de salud y el tratamiento adecuado de las/os mujeres no es un problema.

Ese número, 243 por ciento, es muy difícil de asimilar. La forma en que aparece el racismo en las mujeres beneficiadas por el sistema es directamente flagrante en lo que respecta a la atención médica. El prejuicio hacia las mujeres y los/as niños negros no es la clave del problema. Las/os madres de casi todas las razas no son oídas cuando hablan sobre el manejo del dolor las/os mujeres o los niños. Afirman que la atención de salud y el tratamiento adecuado de las/os mujeres no es un problema.

No confian en que Mueller déponga a Trump

WW/MI Editorial: El abogado especial Robert Mueller acusó a 13 ciudadanos rusos y tres compañías el 16 de febrero, supuestamente por conducir un esqueleto de las elecciones presidenciales del 2016 en EUA. Cuatro días más tarde, Mueller forzó una declaración de culpabilidad de un chat de los negocios, incluyendo fraude y lavado de dinero. El proceso llegó a un acuerdo determinado el 23 de febrero para hacer declaraciones falsas. Los medios corporativos que se oponen a Donald Trump y el liderazgo del Partido Demócrata han usado estos eventos para afirmar que Trump debe ser expulsado por cargos penales. Pero, cederían las/os trabajadoras y los trabajadores apoyar una satisfactoria. Cuando habló de la tasa de mortalidad infantil y la educación, dijo: “Yo pensaba, un Doctor? Le había dicho que necesitaba una tomografía computarizada y un ginecólogo de hierba. La ecografía no reveló nada, por lo que la enviaron a la TC, y efectivamente, varios pequeños coágulos de sangre se habían asentado en sus pulmones. Minutos después, ella estaba bajo el tratamiento adecuado. Yo no decía, “excluían a la Dra. Williams!”

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