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Above: Marta Hernández and Milagros García. They are volunteer fighters in the defense of their Cuban homeland.

"They want to reduce me to a slave!"

From an Afro-American Soldier To His Mother

(The following letter was sent by a former student of one of the New York City University colleges from a U.S. Army post in West Germany. It was first published in Main Events, a CCNY publication.)

Dear Mother:

Yesterday, after living for three weeks in an atmosphere of ugly prejudice, I found a note on my pillow—the note reads—

"So keep cool.

you are unwanted in this section."

The note was signed by a number of Southern hillbilly bums, and two so-called (white) friends of mine, who later claimed, they were forced into signing the note.

Now mother, you know more than anyone else, how much I can avoid trouble. I hate no man, whether he be black, white, pink, red, orange, yellow, or any other color in-between, unless his personality indicates that he is something other than human.

I am the only Black man in the barracks and the only one in the whole section (with the exception of a sergeant E-7 who they cannot touch because of his rank). I have seen the sign of prejudice before but I did not know

how much it hurts until last night, when I saw it at its worst. . . .

(They) are trying to reduce me to the subordinate position of a slave. They have struck me in the wound that hurts the most; and I am going to kill one of them if something isn't done to get me out of their miserable company.

I am a Negro, Black, proud, and dignified. I am neither superior nor inferior to any man; and nobody but nobody will encroach on my freedom. I prefer to be dead than to sleep under the snarls and frowns of these irresponsible brutes. I have tried to combat this problem through legal channels, but I have received the bitter end of the stick. The Company Commander is more concerned with preventing a scandal, than with solving the problem.

As you can see, Mother, I am heading for big trouble—"my cup is full" and will soon run over—you can help me by writing to the President, asking his help, in getting me a transfer to a new unit. Your immediate action may save my life and the lives of others. . . .

You may also send this letter (with yours) to Washington—it would shed some light on the truth.

Your loving son . . .

Castro's Plan Makes Big Hit With All Oppressed Peoples

All Over World They Say: "Castro Is Right; Inspect—and Abolish—U. S. Bases of Aggression"

Throughout the world's capital cities, the big topic of conversation over the last weekend was how Premier Castro had turned around the U. S. inspection proposal in such a way as to completely expose the fraudulent character of the U. S. demand.

The U. S., it will be remembered, had arrogantly insisted on what it called "on-site inspection" of missile bases on Cuban territory. But what the U. S. really wants is an opportunity to spy on Cuba and investigate every bit of territory it can with a view to internal subversion and external aggression. It also wants to destroy the territorial integrity and political sovereignty of Cuba.

If there is one element of U. S. foreign policy that has the unanimous hatred of all Latin Americans, it is the stationing of U. S. bases on their territory. Add to this the use of these bases to train counter-revolutionary elements and use them as jumping-off points for invasion, as was

done in Guatemala and you have an extremely sensitive and explosive point with all Latin Americans.

U. S. officials snorted "preposterous!" at Castro's demand, but the oppressed peoples took it just as seriously as Kennedy took it insolently.

By demanding the inspection of bases operated by the U. S. in Latin America—as well as in the U. S. itself—Premier Castro scored a double play in winning the sympathies, not only of Latin Americans, but of the oppressed all over the world.

Especially strong was the support among Puerto Rican liberation groups who more than any others are suffering under the direct yoke of U. S. imperialism, because of the nuclear bases on their territory.

It was nowhere regarded as "a trick or device for propaganda purposes" as the U. S. tried to make it look. Everywhere, the saying was, "What's sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander!"

14 New York City Drivers Fired for Striking

12,000 March at City Hall

New York, December 3—Over 12,000 union workers marched on City Hall at 5:30 P.M. today to protest the city's discriminatory discharge of 14 striking civilian drivers of Police Department trucks.

In an impressive display of labor solidarity, the meat workers, the Seafarers International Union, the United Federation of Teachers, the hospital workers, the textile workers, the boilermakers and many other unions sent contingents to what was practically a torch-light parade of labor in behalf of the victims of an anti-labor drive.

Jerry Wurf, executive director of District Council 37 of the State, County and Municipal Workers, who are calling the strike, pledged that the union will maintain its action until the discharged men are reinstated.

But Mayor Wagner, elected by labor's votes (the candidate of the union-organized "Brotherhood Party" last year) openly defied the union and backed Po-

lice Commissioner Michael J. Murphy.

Murphy was the first New York City official to invoke the ruthless Condon-Wadlin Act in the 15 years of its existence. The Act provides that city or state employees who go on strike may be fired and not rehired for a period of three years and if they are then rehired, must be put on probation for a period of five years.

Today's demonstration shows that the New York working class considers the city workers to be first class citizens of labor, just like the members of any other union and entitled to the same rights and privileges.

But Mayor Wagner, still claiming to oppose the Condon-Wadlin Act and be against its use in "other" departments of the city, is refusing to negotiate with District Council 37 "while the union remains on strike." (Repeating the attitude of the big corporations down to the very same phrases!)

Like all recent big labor struggles in New York, this one seems headed toward the big league politics of little-minded labor leaders and unscrupulous boss politicians.

It has been already hinted that Harry Van Arsdale, Jr., president of the NYC Central Labor Council, may play an "intermediary" role with Mayor Wagner and the striking union. (Van Arsdale has already played such a role twice in the case of the hospital workers—covering himself with glory and the workers with mud.)

Van Arsdale was conspicuously missing in today's demonstration, no doubt precisely so as to establish his "impartiality" for the role of go-between.

But what is so urgently needed—and the only thing that will really work at this time—is that Van Arsdale and the whole Central Labor Council join the picket line and defy Mayor Wagner and the whole City Administration.

by Khrushchev and the position of the Chinese Communist Party, which is leading the revolutionary elements in the world movement.

Tito-Khrushchev Confab May Herald Shift to Right

The visit of Premier Tito of Yugoslavia to the Soviet Union has aroused world-wide speculation. One thing is clear: the imperialist press does not view it with alarm and the usual attacks against Tito from the ultra-Right press in the U. S. are conspicuously absent—at least so far.

It is correct for the Soviet Union, as a workers' state, to try to improve its relations with other states regardless of social system or political differences.

This should apply not only to Yugoslavia but also to Albania. For while the most vitriolic attacks are levelled against the Albanian Peoples, the welcome mat is being put out for Tito in a way which suggests more than a mere endeavor to improve state relations between the two countries.

On the contrary, the conviction is growing firmer in the ranks of the world Communist and workers' movement that

a rapprochement between Tito and Khrushchev is possibly in the making which, if consummated, would herald a sharp swing to the Right in the policies of the Soviet leadership.

Of course, any definitive evaluation of Tito's visit would have to await the outcome of his conversations with Khrushchev. No one, however, who carefully read the interview of Premier Tito with U. S. columnist Drew Pearson last September, could fail to be impressed that Tito was acting as a broker for U. S. imperialism, and on a rather slim commission basis at that.

It should also be recalled in this connection that when the Yugoslav Foreign Minister visited some of the Latin American countries, he pointedly avoided Cuba in order not to offend the sensibilities of the U.S. State Dept., which has the initial authority to make recommendations to the President and Congress on

the imperialist handouts which Yugoslavia has been getting for many years.

In this connection it should be noted that the increasing sharpness of the polemical attacks by the Chinese Communist Party against Tito and his clique are not merely aimed at Khrushchev, and that Tito is not just used as a whipping boy for Khrushchev, as the imperialist press contends.

The attacks are meant to expose Khrushchev—that's for sure. But Tito's role as a disrupter in the national liberation movements in Asia, Africa and Latin America is also of key significance. It is here that Tito proves his value to the imperialists, probably more than anywhere else.

Finally, the Tito-Khrushchev conversations, themselves, will have to be evaluated in the broader framework of the international struggle in the Communist movement between the Right wing headed

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After the Cease-Fire

The Chinese People's government has effectuated the cease-fire on the border and is withdrawing as it said it would "to positions twenty kilometers behind the line of actual control which existed between China and India on November 7, 1959." And now it should be obvious to all who are sincerely interested in a peaceful settlement of the border dispute, that there could no longer be any reason whatever for the Indian Government to balk at what is certainly a fair and just basis for that settlement.

It should also be noted that after this withdrawal, the Chinese frontier guards will be far behind their positions of September 8, 1962.

This was clearly designed as a gesture to show Chinese sincerity and good will. It was also meant to encourage a positive response from the Indian Government. The Chinese Peoples Government has thereby clearly put Nehru to the true test as to whether he is really seeking a solution to the boundary dispute.

In view of the Chinese offer there should be no question whatever as to where the progressive elements of the world working class should stand.

Even if Nehru wanted to settle the border issue on an agreeable basis, he could not do so in the face of the rabid reaction of the Right Wing bourgeois-landlord elements who dominate his government. The border issue has served to unmask Nehru as a tool of the Indian bourgeoisie. The image of Nehru as a "socialist" is gone forever.

The China-India crisis also revealed that the leadership of the Indian Communist Party has become a tool of the Indian bourgeoisie. Its all-out support for Nehru's policy clearly demonstrated this.

It should not be thought however, that

the Indian masses, the workers and peasants in particular, who followed the Communist Party, are taken in by the false policy of the CP leadership.

On the contrary, there is evidence that the rank and file is in rebellion against the chauvinist line and that the official leadership, headed by S. A. Dange, is in a minority. It is to be noted that the Indian Government arrested several hundred party leaders who were known to oppose the capitulationist line of S. A. Dange and his collaborators.

The truth of the matter is that there is a wave of Indian McCarthyism sweeping over the sub-continent and that Nehru's policies are inciting mob violence against any progressive opposition to his China policy. It is to be noted that E. M. S. Namboodiripad, the CP leader of the Kerala state whose government he headed when the CP was in office, has been arrested for no other reason than what is regarded as his opposition to Nehru's China policy.

All this should only serve to underline the significance of the quick strides made by U. S. imperialism in its efforts to get a strangle-hold on India. The mission of Averill Harriman, with offers of money and arms, was calculated to broaden the border dispute into a full scale war.

The Chinese initiative for a cease-fire has temporarily blocked the efforts of Washington's war makers. It has however by no means reduced the danger to Indian independence.

Finally, the China-India crisis is bound to reveal sooner or later the development of a revolutionary leadership which is capable of leading the Indian workers and peasants on a genuine path to Socialism—which can only be achieved through struggle against—and not capitulation to—the Indian bourgeoisie.

India's "Socialism" Exposed as a Cruel Joke

Land Distribution in India in 1955, according to the Sample Survey of the Indian Government

Group	Percent of agricultural population	Percent of land owned
Poor peasants and farm laborers	75%	17%
Lower middle peasants	12.5%	16.5%
Better-off middle peasants, rich peasants and landlords working their own farms	8.5%	32.5%
Feudal landlords and more wealthy rich peasants	4%	34%

(As a result of large scale evictions by feudal landlords in recent years the concentration of landholdings among the richer classes has now become even greater.)

This Is the Kind of Thing China Abolished!

**But don't accuse Nehru of betraying the revolution
He says he never promised to make one, anyway!**

The Indian Nationalist movement "has been not a change of the social order, but political independence. . . . It is absurd to say that the leaders betray the masses because they do not try to upset the land system or the capitalist system. They never claimed to do so."

—Jawaharlal Nehru, in his Autobiography

—Maybe This Explains It?—

"In my likes and dislikes I was perhaps more an Englishman than an Indian."

—Jawaharlal Nehru, in his Autobiography

Teamsters Call a Spade By Its Right Name

One group of workers seems to understand who and what the enemy really is. In a resolution passed at its annual conference on November 25, Teamster Local 688 rallied to the defense of its president with a scathing attack on the "fascistic" methods used by Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy.

It is said that Mr. Hoffa "has been the victim of the most concentrated and malicious persecution in the history of the labor movement."

"This persecution has been marked by a campaign of smearing through press, radio, and television," the statement continued. "It has been marked by wire-tapping and countless violations of civil liberties, including the latest outrage of 'shopping around for a trial court' in the hope of improving chances of conviction."

"This conference condemns Bobby Kennedy and the anti-labor forces that are cheering him in his fascistic attack upon a progressive leader."

The rest of the working class can take heed of this exposure of the true nature of bourgeois justice.

CP Faces Witch-Hunt Trial

The trial of the Communist Party under the reactionary, anti-labor, thought-control McCarran Act, is scheduled to begin in Washington, DC on December 11.

It is interesting that the Ku Klux Klan has never been brought to trial nor does any government agency appear to be even thinking of bringing it to trial. As a matter of fact there has been no law passed specifically mentioning the Ku Klux Klan as the McCarran Act specifically mentions the Communist Party.

Unlike the Klan, the Communist Party never horsewhipped anybody. It never tarred and feathered anybody. It never lynched anybody. But the Communist Party faces illegality and its leaders face barbarous prison terms and fantastic fines if the government prosecution is successful.

The people responsible for throwing 5 million working people and their families on the industrial scrap heap are not being tried. The people responsible for condemning 20 million people to humiliation and despair simply because of their skin, are not even being indicted. The people responsible for carrying on wars of extermination against whole na-

tions who seek liberation from imperialist bondage—these people are given medals and heaped with honors.

These are the people who should be tried before the bar of justice of the working masses of the world. But instead, they are the prosecutors. They are the lawyers. They are the judges.

All honest workers, in their own class interests should come to the aid of the CP defendants with whatever support they can. Contributions may be sent to the Gus Hall-Benjamin J. Davis Defense Committee, 22 East 17 St., New York 3, N.Y.



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Culture Is a Weapon

MUNTU: The New African Culture — Janheinz Jahn
Grove Press (An Evergreen Book) New York

The author of this book does a very good job of dispelling the false ideas that the imperialist ruling classes have been trying to spread about Africans and Afro-Americans. He shows that one cannot make an honest judgment about another civilization only on the basis of one's own.

African civilization is old and complex and must be understood in the light of its historical development.

One of the main points which Jahn makes is that the degree to which a subject people becomes enslaved, is the degree to which their culture has been stolen and distorted by the imperialists.

A good example of this is Hawaii: The only part of Hawaiian culture which survives today is that which appeals to the tourists. Hawaii was one of the most oppressed U.S. colonies and is now under the complete domination of the U.S., its colonial character concealed under the facade of statehood.

Of all the Afro-Americans in the Western Hemisphere, the U.S. Afro-American is the most enslaved and has the least ties to his African heritage. But the Afro-Americans of Haiti, Cuba, Brazil, etc., have African dialects of their own, although mixed with French or Spanish.

They have dances of African origin: the samba, tango, rumba, sarabanda, yuka, etc. Their religion still shows strong resemblance to their original African religion. (While some of these

things have become commercialized, they are, by and large, still part of the people.)

Since the ruling class has so distorted his heritage, the U.S. Afro-American, because of his lack of identity with African culture, Mr. Jahn contends, becomes ashamed of being Black and tends to assume the culture and appearance of his oppressors.

In Africa itself, however, the old roots are deep and Black culture is powerful.

Since Africa has a wealth of raw materials, she has the potentiality of becoming a great industrialized nation capable of supplying the needs of her people. It is the opinion of some that in order to do this, Africa has to capitulate to the ways of the capitalist West because her woodlore culture and philosophy is allegedly unsuited to the world of modern technology.

However, Jahn clearly shows how African philosophy is already well suited to large scale industrialization, since it is basically materialistic-rooted in nature, interested in the how of things rather than in the thing alone.

Since Muntu is written mainly for those who are interested in anthropology and sociology, the political content is somewhat obscured. But the revolutionary implications are in every chapter and its style and content make it enjoyable for the political reader too.

— R. M.

On the Waterfront

Union "Leader" Fingers 1,800

Capt. William V. Bradley, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, believes that one good frame-up deserves another.

Last week, he pointed to the arrest of Cuban "saboteurs" in New York to justify a demand that the government bar all U.S. "security risks" from employment on the docks.

By "security risks," Capt. Bradley means Communists, Socialists, pro-Communists, pro-Socialists, and any progressive and militant worker who has been fingered by some stoolpigeon. Above all, he means those militants who might oppose his own pro-company leadership of the longshore workers.

Naturally, the boss-controlled Waterfront Commission and the capitalist press were all ears to Capt. Bradley's finkey plea. The Commission complained that its hands were tied by higher-up government rulings. The New York Herald Tribune jumped into the fray and deplored the situation where so many "security risks" work on the docks (and on the ships). On November 26, it pointed out:

"A 1955 United States Supreme

Court decision has deprived the Coast Guard of virtually all its former power to keep Communists and security risks out of the marine industry. The Court ruled that a person accused of being a Communist or security risk must have the opportunity of facing and cross-examining his accuser." (Our emphasis.)

As a result of this democratic carelessness on the part of the Supreme Court, wailed the Tribune:

"About 1,800 security risks were eligible to return to the maritime industry."

Apparently it had not occurred to the FBI and the CIA to demand the discharge of 1,800 union members to protect the "security" of New York's shipping. This was left to a union leader who is supposed to represent all the union's dues paying members.

The bosses' government can frame three helpless foreigners by planting a couple of hand grenades and pistols in their quarters. But it takes one of labor's own Judases to frame 1,800 U.S. workers and deprive them of their livelihood.

Never Sent a Rifle to Algeria

U.S. to Sell France Nuclear Subs

The U.S. has agreed to sell France a Nautilus-type nuclear powered "attack" submarine. This is supposed to represent a big change of policy since up to now the United States has presumably not been encouraging French imperialist nuclear ambitions.

There is no doubt a great deal of intrigue and maneuver behind this U.S. decision. The seamy situation in NATO, the balance of forces between France, West Germany and Britain, the politics of U.S. foreign trade and the Common Market—all these considerations enter into the deal, we can be sure.

But let us put all this aside and look at it from the point of view of one of France's former colonies—say Algeria, whom the U.S. is now supposed to be favoring with friendship.

In eight long years of titanic struggle and unbelievable suffering by the Algerians, the U.S. never even sent a rifle to the aid of that bleeding country. On the contrary, the U.S. was sending military and economic aid to France, while hundreds of thousands of Alge-

rians, soldier and civilian, were being maimed and killed.

Now, with this terrible war only indecisively settled, with France still in occupation, keeping 200,000 soldiers in Algeria, the U.S. helps France to become a greater nuclear power.

We are told that France is getting nuclear submarines because the U.S. is faced with the "fait accompli" of France's already having some nuclear strength.

This is strange reasoning for a "friend" of Algeria. If the U.S. is worried about France's getting nuclear weapons, it is strange to give France more nuclear weapons. Would it not be more fitting to give some nuclear weapons to Algeria, which France has subjugated more than a hundred years—so as to equalize things somewhat?

The more military strength that France has, the harder it is for the French-controlled part of Africa to assert itself and achieve real independence in the face of that strength.

Only an enemy of African freedom could give France nuclear arms today.

"Gov. DiSalle Defeated at Polls By Black Voters," Says MDC

We reprint the following memorandum from the Monroe Defense Committee for the information of our readers.

MEMO TO:

Supporters of Black Freedom Fighter Mae Mallory

FROM:

National Committee Office in Cleveland

The Mae Mallory Fight Against Extradition to the state of North Carolina to face Southern so-called "Justice" on a trumped-up kidnapping charge enters a new phase as we approach the New Year. Around December 17th her case will be formally presented to the United States Supreme Court in Washington.

Efforts by the defeated Governor of Ohio (Di Salle) and of the North Carolina racists to force her out of the state to face the Southern racists were successfully blocked temporarily by the fight waged in the courts, buttressed strongly by letters of protest sent in by you and our picket lines and demonstrations.

One of the prime reasons why Di Salle was defeated in the last election was that the Black voters of Ohio went out to defeat him because he signed the warrant of extradition that would throw Mrs. Mallory to the North Carolina racists.

Mrs. Mallory's attorney, Mr. Walter S. Haffner, sent a letter to Mr. Rhodes immediately after the election returns came in asking him to intercede for Mrs. Mallory's release. The Honorable James Rhodes has not yet replied. There have been conversations with Rhodes' campaign workers who used the Mallory issue to get votes and they tell us that Rhodes cannot act until after he is sworn into office and we have to wait until then.

There is no question about it that in Monroe, North Carolina, as in many other parts of the Southland, segregation penetrates deeply through the entire system of justice that would deprive this Black Defender of Freedom of her rights and would leave the door wide open for the lynch mob to run rampant. The Albany sufferings proved conclusively that we cannot even depend on the Kennedy brothers to help the Blackman in the South.

We are thus making a request to all of our supporters and others who are interested in the cause of Freedom, for letters, telegrams, and petitions to be sent to the Governor-elect Rhodes—State House, Columbus, Ohio—and to editors of newspapers; we call on you to:

1. Inform others of this fight and remind them of their responsibility.
2. Write letters to other governmental officials informing them of your po-

sition on the matter.

3. Visit Mrs. Mallory at the Cuyahoga County Jail in Cleveland on Wednesdays from 1 to 3—or write her there at 1560 E. 21st Street, Cleveland.

4. Help the Monroe Defense Committee in Cleveland financially in its legal fight against extradition of Mrs. Mallory.

And keep us at 10517 Superior Avenue, Cleveland 6, Ohio, informed of all of your activities. You may even call us at 791-6593. A demonstration is scheduled sometime after the governor takes office in Columbus. Stand by for the announcement.

A BLACK WOMAN'S LIFE IS AT STAKE AND YOUR SUPPORT CAN MAKE THE DIFFERENCE.

WORKERS WORLD has purchased a supply of Mae Mallory Xmas Cards. In N.Y.C. they can be obtained at 46 W. 21st St. or call AL 5-0352.

Mae Mallory Xmas Cards

"Why not send Mae Mallory Christmas Cards? Remember that when you use Mae Mallory cards, you are not only spreading a message of peace and goodwill, you are also helping the cause of Black Liberation by assisting in the financing of Mrs. Mallory's fight against extradition to face Southern so-called justice because she showed the world that she had the guts to take a stand for Freedom in the South."

The above is quoted verbatim from a letter sent out nationally by the Monroe Defense Committee in its continuing struggle to raise money for the legal expenses and publicity in Mae Mallory's struggle to prevent the northern state of Ohio from handing her over bodily to the jimcrow "justice" of North Carolina.

Since March 1, 1962, she has been confined to the Cuyahoga County Jail in Cleveland, Ohio, having neither been tried nor convicted of any crime, and has even been deprived of the elementary right to bail.

Yes—send your friends MAE MALLORY XMAS CARDS. Show them that you not only think of them, but that you think of Mae Mallory too, confined without the slightest justice to her cheerless cell.

Send Xmas cards this year and let them serve a double purpose—remembering a friend, and in the same gesture,

Oxford, Miss. and Albany, Ga.: A Jimcrow Tale of Two Cities

The U.S. intervention in Oxford, Mississippi, was a phony piece of stage craft for the benefit of the uninformed abroad and the gullible at home. It apparently put the whole U.S. Army and the apparatus of the most powerful country in the world on the side of the angels and James Meredith, the lone Afro-American who decided to test his American "freedom" at "Ole Miss."

But what is the real situation and what is the real attitude of the U.S. government and its army while white students are being hounded out of Ole Miss for daring to fraternize with Meredith, and Meredith himself is failing in his studies under the obvious and continuing strain?

What is the government doing while its marshals are being indicted in Mississippi courts for "inciting violence" (while they were protecting Meredith) and the racists are already preparing their victory celebrations?

The answer to these questions lies in the plight of another Southern city—

Albany, Georgia.

In Albany, not one Afro-American was openly, publicly denied his rights; but one thousand.

In this city of 56,000 souls, more than 1,000 have been jailed in the past year for no other crime than exercising their constitutional right of peaceful assembly. Last December alone, more than 700 were thrown into prison for marching through the streets and holding prayer meetings in front of City Hall. Many of these were women and children.

The distinguished and sole Afro-American attorney of the town, C. B. King, was cruelly caned by the Sheriff (Cull Campbell) in the sight of many witnesses—for the crime of interrupting the Sheriff's conversation.

Mrs. Slater King, wife of another leader, in her sixth month of pregnancy, was kicked in the head by a deputy and knocked unconscious—for the crime of daring him to arrest her.

William Hanson, a white field worker of the Student Non-Violent Committee, was beaten so badly inside the jail that several of his ribs were broken. He was refused medical treatment.

Ola Mae Quarterman was arrested for sitting in the front seat of a bus. Reason: The driver testified she had said, "I paid my damn 20 cents, and I can sit where I want." (Vulgar language!)

Police Chief Laurie Pritchett, who authorized the mass jailings and shut his eyes to the beatings, has received the plaudits of the "moderates" Southerners and been given a build-up by the supposedly anti-segregationist New York Times as the upholder of "law and order."

Pritchett, Sheriff Campbell and the whole Albany City Administration are defying the U.S. Constitution and trampling upon the elementary freedoms it is supposed to guarantee. They are doing this wholesale—while their similars in Oxford are only doing it retail.

But Kennedy has sent no troops to Albany. And even the troops he sent to Mississippi were obviously instructed not to use their weapons. The Black troops, indeed, had their weapons taken away. (Testimony of James Meredith.)

Kennedy has sent no troops to Albany. He has been too busy mobilizing 349,000 U.S. soldiers to go to Cuba and try to make the Cubans live like the Afro-American people of Albany.

In Cuba, the government has armed the Afro-Cuban workers with sub-machine guns which they carry to work with them to defend their revolution and their newly-won equality.

Can you imagine Kennedy giving such weapons to the Afro-Americans in Albany or Oxford?

SEASON'S GREETINGS



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In Congo — U.S. Maneuvers for Redivision of Imperialist Booty

By V. Grey

It is impossible to understand the present situation in the Congo if you do not first understand that President Moise Tshombe of Katanga is a front man for Belgian and British finance capital and Cyrille Adoula, Premier of the whole Congo, is the handyman of U.S. imperialism.

Tshombe's relationship to Union Miniere, the billionaire Belgian mining corporation that exploits the tremendous wealth of his country, is well known in the United States. Adoula's character as U.S. agent and obliging servant of Wall Street is not so well known here, but is common gossip in the Congo.

The latest carefully leaked Washington news story about the Congo has it that the U.S. and Belgium are getting together to force Tshombe to stop his secession moves and help Adoula unify the Congo. There is said to be a plan by the two countries for Union Miniere to give half its mining royalties to Adoula's central government, thus curtailing Tshombe's lush money supply and strengthening Congo unity. (All the royalties are going to Tshombe at present.)

But Union Miniere, the other Belgian corporations, the big British stockholders and the Welensky-Louw pukka sahib bloc are well aware that they could strengthen the Congo central government any time they desired to make such a move.

The point is that they do not desire to do so.

However, the real truth must be that the U.S. is ready to give secret concessions in return for some kind of deal with these gentlemen. There are certain developments that make such a deal likely.

India, for example, the "neutral" ally

of the United States, wishes to pull its 5,500 crack "UN" troops out of the Congo and put them up on the India-China border. At the same time, the UN is going further into the hole financially—and any more U.S. loans to the UN will tend to expose it too nakedly as an instrument of U.S. imperialism.

(Africans already suspect that this is so. And they cannot help but note that Fidel Castro learned a great lesson from Lumumba's one fatal mistake—allowing UN "inspectors"—with bayonets—into his country.)

Therefore the U.S. is being compelled to partially disengage itself and try some last minute wire-pulling to strengthen its agent, Adoula, while it makes backdoor deals with the white supremacist masters of Adoula's enemy, Tshombe.

Despite Portugal's Murderous Repression

Angola Freedom Struggle Grows

By Eleanor Stephens

When a UN subcommittee predicted on November 20 that Portugal "would not be able to put down the nationalist uprising in Angola," it was only saying what the Angolan people have known for over a year.

The Angolans were sure, when they struck their first blow for independence in March 1961, that they would never stop fighting until they got the Portuguese imperialists off their backs. They knew that now was the time to end forever Portugal's five centuries of brutal exploitation and tyrannical rule.

The Portuguese called Angola, "the jewel of our overseas possessions." (It is thirteen times the size of Portugal.) Year after year they robbed it of its diamonds, oil reserves, gold and other minerals. On their gigantic cotton and coffee plantations, rich Portuguese plant-

ers garnered fabulous fortunes from the sweated labor of black Angolans.

"As a rule, says Rev. Edwin LeMaster, a missionary writing for the Saturday Evening Post, "the laborers put in a twelve-hour day, six days a week, for seven dollars a month . . . It is a system, I believe, close to slave labor." (It would be hard to find any system closer "to slave labor"!)

Capitalists of other nations have also taken advantage of the cheap labor supply in Angola. The Angolan Diamond Co. has Belgian and American partners. The largest oil companies are jointly owned by Belgian, British and American stockholders, who no doubt would be glad to help get the Portuguese out in order to get further in themselves. But the Angolan people can deal with them later. For the present they are tackling their most immediate enemy.

Unlike the Congolese, whose 1960 Day of Independence was cynically prepared for by their Belgian overlords, the Angolans took matters into their own hands last year. They now hold a territory in the northern part of their country that is bigger than Portugal.

Other nations in Africa have come to their aid. Algeria has trained many of Angola's best fighters. Tunisia has shipped them arms. Guinea and Ghana have appealed to all Afro-Asians to help them.

The Portuguese' only answer has been to double the repressions. In the land still under their control they not only keep the Angolans unschooled (over 90% are illiterate), without a vote (less than 1% have been "assimilated," and able to vote), unfed (who can eat on seven dollars a month?). Now they have added napalm bombings, concentration camps and prison for the independence fighters. In the past year and a half they have killed 50,000 Angolan men, women and children and imprisoned many more.

But in spite of all these measures, the Portuguese in Angola are in a state of nervousness that borders on panic. Many of them have fled the country, while the Portuguese government thunders at them to — "Show your gratitude! To leave at this hour is treason!"

Treason or no treason, the Portuguese "settlers" have gotten the message from the Africans and they know with a knowledge more intimate than their home government's that Angola is going to be free. They have resorted to napalm bombings, concentration camps and firing squads, but the rebellion daily grows more passionate and more powerful.

The day of Black freedom may still be delayed. But the hour of all-out revolution has surely struck.



Not Ready?

Africa is Certainly Ready For YOU, Senator Ellender!

Both Uganda and Tanganyika have barred the entry of Louisiana Democrat, Senator Allen Ellender to their territory.

The reason for the ban is that Senator Ellender has taken the occasion of his African tour to remark that he has seen no part of Africa that is ready for self-government.

The action of these two countries proves that they are not only ready for self-government, but that they are beginning to exercise it!

When Louisiana bars Mr. Ellender and all the other white supremacists with him, maybe Louisiana will be ready for self-government, too.

Northern Rhodesia, Southern Rhodesia, and Nyasaland

Why Africans Fight Against Federation!

By John Duzak

Africans of Northern Rhodesia, Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland are pushing at their chains.

The Africans are being offered a new constitution for the Federation which "unites" their three countries. The constitution is being touted as something to loosen their chains considerably.

But on the 29th of October, 129,585 Northern Rhodesians voted to fill 44 new seats in the Legislative Council of Parliament. In this election, the Africans of Northern Rhodesia voted overwhelmingly for candidates who oppose the new constitution and the Federation itself.

Feeling is the same among Africans in Southern Rhodesia and Nyasaland where Joshua Nkomo and Dr. Hastings Banda, the respective African leaders, are pledged to reject both constitution and Federation.

Why do Africans oppose the "democratic" new constitution and demand the break-up of the Federation?

Nine years ago, the Central African Federation, consisting of the Rhodesias and Nyasaland, was formed. The racist government, headed by the racist dictator, some-of-my-best-friends-are-Africans Sir Roy Welensky, then claimed it would establish a policy of "partnership" between 8,300,000 Africans and 305,000 European "settlers" in the three colonies.

In Southern Rhodesia, the average yearly income of the African "partner" is \$244. The British partner gets \$3,385. (Average annual income in the United States is about \$2,400.)

The Africans are "partners" in back-breaking life-endangering work in the mines and long hours of labor on the mosquito-and-snake-infested plantations. They are "partners" who do every kind of labor that the British partner cannot or will not do.

But the Africans are not partners when it comes to the foreign exchange earnings of Southern Rhodesia tobacco or copper from the rich mines of the

north. They are not partners in wearing their country's diamonds or sharing their country's wealth.

The Central African Federation is a device for the perpetuation of Black slavery, pure and simple. It is a device to put the rich Copperbelt of Northern Rhodesia and the labor of millions of Africans there under the domination of 240,000 British oppressors who live in the more temperate climate of Southern Rhodesia.

It has been said that the Federation made more economic gains in its nine years than the three separate colonies could have accomplished in twenty.

But the benefits of these advances are not enjoyed by Africans. That is why the British want to preserve the Federation and the Africans want to destroy it.

The proposed new Federal constitution, under which elections will be held in December, allows 50,000 Africans to vote on a separate roll, and would bring 15 to 20 African representatives into

the 65-seat Parliament of the Federation.

Since property, income, and education qualifications severely limit the number of African voters, this constitution would still lock control of the government in white "settler" hands.

Some of the African leaders (like Joshua Nkomo) were first tempted to go along with the proposed constitution as "a step forward" toward Black majority rule. But the masses reversed the leaders. (Nkomo is now among the strongest opponents of the proposal.) And in a referendum conducted by the National Democratic Party, the vote was 467,000 against the constitution, 584 for.

When Asian and African members of the UN asked Britain and Southern Rhodesia to postpone the elections until another constitution could be drafted, Britain claimed to have no control over the internal affairs of her colonies.

Since the already infamous Katanga lobby in Britain's ruling Tory party has a big interest in the British South Africa Company, and this company has a big interest in the fabulous mineral rights of Northern Rhodesia, it is not hard to understand why Britain has no "control."