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Racism and Poverty Arouses Black Revolt in City After City**Racist Warmakers Railroad Muhammad Ali in Draft Case**

With a racist ruling class still slapping itself on the back for putting Thurgood Marshall on the Supreme Court, an all-white jury in Houston found Muhammad Ali guilty of draft evasion last week, after 21 minutes of "deliberation."

On June 20, the same day as the jury decision, Federal Judge Joseph Ingraham sentenced Ali to five years in jail and fined him \$10,000—both maximum penalties for the "crime" of resisting the draft of the imperialist warmakers.

Ali, world champion heavyweight boxer, had refused to step forward to be drafted at his draft board last month in Houston, where he now lives,

and last week was tried for it.

He based his defense mainly on the fact that he is a Muslim minister and his religion opposes the war. He also showed how Afro-Americans were systematically excluded from draft boards, although more than twice as many Black

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Undeclared War Against Black People Rages in Tampa, Boston, Atlanta, Cincinnati, etc.

The racist U.S. ruling class has escalated its undeclared war of national oppression against 20 million super-exploited Afro-Americans.

In the past two weeks, battalions of national guardsmen, police forces, sheriff's deputies and state troopers have been mobilized to occupy and sub-

due by force close to a dozen Afro-American ghettos.

Like the war in Vietnam, or any other war against oppressed people, the ruling class uses terror as its main weapon. This war has many fronts. There are few, if any, capitalist "doves" in this war.

There are as many fronts as there are poverty stricken ghettos.

ATLANTA: Timothy Ross was killed and three others wounded, including a 9-year-old boy, by a police shotgun blast. Hundreds of police with shotguns and pistols marched through Atlanta's west side accompanied by an armored car.

Racist Mayor Ivan Allen declared a state of emergency and police sealed off the Afro-American section and imposed a 9 A.M. to 6 P.M. curfew on Black people.

Rebellions erupted after police shot an unarmed Black youth, Douglas Richmond, 21, and later arrested Stokely Carmichael after he gave a speech to an outdoor meeting.

Donald Stone, director of SNCC's Atlanta Project, read a statement denouncing the police in which he declared:

"If their armed aggression continues we will resist by any means necessary."

CINCINNATI: Over 800 troops of the 147th Battalion of Infantry of the Ohio State National Guard carrying rifles with fixed bayonets and gas masks and accompanied by jeeps with mounted machine guns, joined 900 police armed with riot guns, tear gas, three foot clubs and police dogs in sealing off an 8 block area in the Afro-American section.

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This Is What Black Masses Fought Back Against.

Tampa cop holds gun on Black youths after they fought back against police murder.

BULLETIN

As we go to press the capitalist news media is grinding out the news of the arrest of 16 Afro-Americans for an alleged assassination conspiracy. Among those arrested was Maxwell Stanford, leader of the Revolutionary Action Movement, Editor of Black America.

Also, after having driven the militant Black liberation fighter, Robert F. Williams, into exile, the racist U.S. ruling class is now trying to frame him up once again — as they did in Monroe, North Carolina.

We condemn these arrests and the vile race-baiting publicity as an outright frame-up of the Afro-American liberation struggle. It is calculated to prepare the population for new and even more brutal attempts by the U.S. ruling class to crush the heroic struggles of the oppressed Black masses who are rising up everywhere against white supremacy.

Ky's Call for 600,000 Troops Echoes Washington's Desperation**U.S. Military Crisis Deepens in Vietnam**

By F. RICHARDSON

U.S. puppet Ky has recently said that 600,000 U.S. troops are needed to win the war. Was this just talk? Or was it the puppet expressing the top military's side of a ruling class debate on what to do in Vietnam? What is the true military situation there now?

A computer in the outskirts of Saigon runs 24 hours a day to try to figure out the Liberation Front side of this question. It handles tons of intelligence materials: IBM cards on each Vietnamese civilian "rounded up" by U.S. forces, IBM cards for each captured Liberation Front soldier, cards for captured documents, cards for information gained through questioning, patrols, officials etc. According to an account in the June 15 Wall Street Journal, 100,000 items are added each month to the mountain of data so that this giant brain can coordinate, ponder, and produce an answer to the great, overwhelming question haunting the U.S. imperialists: How do we win?

The answer from the answer machine

is that there is no answer. There is just trouble.

Its conclusions, which military analysts consider depressing but realistic add up this way:

The U.S. claims that the present military force of the Liberation fighters is 292,000 and is increasing at a rate of 14,000 a month — 7,000 from the north and 7,000 from the south. Though the machine is considered accurate in showing where forces are, where their bases are located, and even what they are going to do, it has not figured out how to stop them. They keep on doing it. The machine has sifted documents of the NLF that consider that the task is a 10 or 20 year war. And it concludes that the Vietnamese can go on fighting indefinitely at the present rate!

On the other hand, U.S. forces are reaching a critical point. The U.S. war effort is bogged down. It faces dangers if it continues the present course. But it also faces major economic, manpower and social problems if it moves to expand its forces in Vietnam — with no guarantee of military success.

The Vietnamese Liberation fighters are fully aware of the problems facing Washington. While they don't have an IBM machine, they do have the experience of half a century of struggle against imperialism. And a Saigon reporter, writing in the May 26 Christian Science Monitor, has had to admit that military facts have at least partially borne out the theories of North Vietnamese generals.

Major Gen. Nguyen van Vainh, chairman of the North Vietnam unification commission said in April 1966 of the American forces: "If they oppose our people's movement in the south, they will be unable to stop reinforcements from North Vietnam. If they concentrate their force to stop reinforcements from North Vietnam, they cannot stand firm in the rear."

"To fulfill these tasks, they must have a million troops. To introduce a million troops into South Vietnam, the United States must double its mobilization rate."

According to U.S. News and World Report of June 12, the "War is headed

for stalemate — or worse — unless an urgent call for more troops is met. Military men say the only answer is mobilization."

Some details of why 450,000 U.S. troops are not enough are given in the same article.

To begin with, only one third of these are infantry. That is 150,000. Of the 150,000 infantry, one third of them are tied down to protect U.S. bases. That leaves only 100,000 infantry troops available for offensive operations. It might be added that even of this active infantry figure, the U.S. Army has a high proportion of soldiers who are non-combat personnel.

It is estimated that U.S. presently has only 107 available combat battalions in Vietnam. The Vietnamese are said to have 164.

Military leaders and analysts agree that more U.S. troops are needed.

The U.S. News article further states that Westmoreland says he needs 700,000 troops. The Christian Science

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China's H-Bomb

China's explosion of an H bomb last week is a major victory for socialism. It is a proof of the immense scientific achievements possible to socialism — even under the most restricted conditions, which include the boycott and blockade by advanced capitalist countries — and it is a defense weapon that neutralizes U.S. nuclear blackmail of other Asian countries struggling for liberation.

Furthermore, as a checkmate to the U.S. nuclear stockpile, it is a realistic approach to the final elimination of nuclear weapons, contradictory as that may at first appear.

Chairman Mao Tse-tung has called upon all countries to eliminate atom and hydrogen bombs altogether and reiterated on several occasions that China will not be the first to use nuclear weapons in case of another big war. The U.S. has adamantly re-

fused to consider the Chinese proposal for nuclear disarmament and will not make even a tentative agreement to this end.

The U.S. nuclear warriors have been screaming about "proliferation" of the bomb, as though the mere possession of this weapon dictated the using of it. But they used to talk openly about nuclear-bombing the Soviet Union to smithereens, and somehow, after the Soviets themselves acquired a nuclear arsenal, they lost their tongues!

Since the U.S. is the only country to have actually murdered hundreds of thousands of people with this weapon, it is clear to most of the world that the danger is not "proliferation" — not how many countries have it, but what countries, and more especially what class. As long as the imperialists have it, the international working class cannot afford to be without it.

Aggressors and Oppressors

The U.S.-Israeli aggression against the Arab world is a fact and the aggressors have difficulty denying it. But the argument about who attacked whom and who fired the first shot may be on for a long, long time.

Marxists have a more fundamental criterion for choosing sides than who is the aggressor. It is the class criterion of who is the oppressor.

When workers are in a hard-fought bitter strike, all progressive people support them whether the company started the strike or the union started it, whether it is a lockout or an "aggressive" act of the union.

When the bosses on a world scale — i.e., the imperialists — go to war with the oppressed colonial and semi-colonial nations, it makes little difference who fires the first shot, as far as the rights and wrongs of the matter are concerned — although these rights and wrongs are concealed behind barrage after barrage of chauvinist propaganda.

Naturally, the imperialists were the original aggressors in every case. But nobody in the workers' movement ever thought of asking whether "big" Indonesia, for example, attacked "little" Holland first in its freedom fight, or not.

Now Israel does not directly oppress and exploit the Arabs of the whole Middle East. But Israel is the agent and "middle man" for the colossal exploiter, U.S. imperialism and its now-junior partner, British imperialism. Israel only exists on the sufferance and

with the active financial and military support of these super-powers. And all the past history of oppression of the Jewish people (by the European and American imperialists, not by the Arabs!) does not alter this fact.

Israel is not the Jewish nation. It is a state which oppresses Jewish workers as well as Arabs.

The next war between Israel and the Arabs may very well be "started" by the Arabs to rectify their defeat in the war just finished. Israel will again be only the representative, the pawn and the "fall-guy" for imperialist oppression. The correct position for Marxists and all progressives the world over will be to support the Arabs.

The fact that many of the Arab nations are still ruled by conservative or even reactionary regimes does not materially affect this position. The Arabs are struggling against imperialism, which is the main enemy of human progress and colonial liberation.

Israel's seizure of Arab land (including its seizure 20 years ago) and Israel's expulsion of Arab people might possibly be considered a smaller crime than the total exploitation of the Middle East by the Western oil companies, etc. But it is still an imperialist-type action and in any event could not be undertaken without the collusion of Israel's big imperialist backers.

The state of Israel is on the side of the world oppressors and against the oppressed. The ancient and modern oppression of the Jews may cloud this fact, but in no way alters it.

Muhammad Ali

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soldiers, relative to the Black population in the U.S. are fighting — and dying — in Vietnam.

His stand captured the imagination of millions of Black youth throughout the country. And his present conviction and sentence, intended as it is, to intimidate Afro-Americans and others who plan to resist the war, will surely enrage a very great number.

The champion said at a news conference on April 20:

"Why should they ask me and other so-called Negroes to put on a uniform and go 10,000 miles from home and drop bombs and bullets on brown people in Vietnam while so-called Negro people in Louisville are treated like dogs and denied simple human rights?"

"I will not disgrace my religion, my people or myself," he declared.

These words were read and heard by millions. And since millions more are needed by the capitalist ruling class in its mad drive for world domination, it was necessary to silence Muhammad Ali.

Spring Mobilization to Discuss Mideast War at Next Meeting

NEW YORK, June 17—The question of U.S. aggression in the Mideast was raised at the Administrative Committee of the Spring Mobilization here today and was referred for full discussion to the next meeting, which may be held in Washington, DC, over the July 4 weekend.

It was not taken up for full discussion at this afternoon's gathering, according to officers of the Mobilization, because of other pressing business and a full agenda.

Dave Axel of Youth Against War and Fascism attempted to put it on today's agenda as a special priority item early in the meeting, asking that an anti-U.S.-Israel resolution presented by his organization be discussed.

This was violently opposed by representatives of SANE, Trade Unionists for Peace and others on the ground that it was "divisive," and "anti-democratic."

Harry Ring of the SWP said it should be on the agenda. But if it were, he would vote to table it, he said, because of its "divisiveness" and because the Committee was organized only to deal with the war in Vietnam.

Earlier, a 4:30 p.m. deadline had been set for adjournment and it was clear to many that the discussion would never be held, unless it were given priority over certain technical, organizational and administrative matters.

Sam Marcy, chairman of Workers World Party, said he "couldn't understand why there was so much opposition to putting this at the top of the agenda. Even the imperialist government responsible for the aggression would admit that this is a substantive question and takes

precedence over organizational matters."

"Failure even to put this on the agenda," said Marcy, "would completely discredit the Spring Mobilization as an anti-war group and imply that it is opposed to only one of imperialism's wars, while it closes its eyes to another one."

The motion for priority lost, and, as the resolution's backers had feared, a host of secondary questions took all the time of the meeting.

So at 4:55 p.m., Dave Axel again took the floor, this time moving that the Mideast question be put on the agenda for the following meeting without fail.

Sidney Peck, who was chairman, stated that this would be done.

The YAWF resolution reads as follows:

Whereas, the war in the Middle East is fundamentally the same as the war in Vietnam, differing only in form but not in essence, and,

Whereas, this war is basically an attempt by the U.S. government to crush the rising struggle of the Arab people against the domination of the Western imperialist powers and the U.S. in particular, and,

Whereas, the oil of the Mideast, which belongs to the Arab people, is owned and controlled by U.S., British, and other Western monopolies,

Therefore, be it resolved that:

The Spring Mobilization Committee denounce the U.S.-sponsored Israeli invasion as an aggression against the Arab people and demand, as a first step, the immediate and unconditional withdrawal of Israeli troops from Arab territory. The U.S. Sixth fleet must immediately leave the Mediterranean area.

Group Attacked by Cops in Ceremony At Malcolm X Park in Chicago

On Sunday May 21, a rally of over five hundred Black people was attacked by police, who shot ten people, injured scores of others, and then arrested 30 from the crowded rally.

The rally was held in a Chicago South Side Park by the Afro-American Student Association (AASA) to commemorate the birthday of Malcolm X and dedicate the park in his name. (Last week this paper carried a picture of the Malcolm X Shabazz Park, formerly Washington Park.)

The police attack broke out following a disturbance that began when two white women started a fight with two Black girls.

While most of the crowd were listening to the last speaker of the day and didn't even notice the provocation, a number of undercover Negro policemen planted in the rally drew their guns and threatenly moved through the crowd.

In the confusion that followed, uniformed cops moved in with guns and clubs, shooting, beating and arresting as many as they could.

Jim Harvey, President of the AASA said, "The whole damned deal was a setup, as appears obvious from the story."

The Black people fought back as they stormed the police station in the area. One Chicago newspaper reported that, "Policemen inside the station wore riot

helmets to protect themselves against rocks coming through windows" of the station house. A police car was overturned and even though the Afro-American people were unarmed, they gave a good account of themselves.

The AASA must raise \$2,700 to get some of its people out of jail. Help is urgently needed. Send money to:

Defense Fund
413 East Oakwood Blvd.
Chicago, Illinois 60653.

From U.S. Boss To Israeli Satrap

As is the custom of military rulers following their conquest, Israeli Colonel Isaac Moday ordered the 250,000 Arab refugees living in the squalor of mud camps in the Gaza Strip to obey his "emergency regulations." The military governor of the Israeli occupying forces gave them 48 hours to submit or else he would shut off the water and electricity as a first step. What the colonel fears is that Arabs will break out of the concentration camps with the arms that they are hiding.

Colonel Moday has been given excellent training for his job. In civilian life, he directed a factory in Nazareth for Revlon, a giant U.S. owned cosmetics company.

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Revolutionaries Support Arabs; Oppose U.S.-Israel

At the onset of the U.S.-Israeli attack on the Arab people, revolutionaries all over the world, in both socialist and capitalist countries, protested imperialist aggression and declared their support of the Arab people and the Arab revolution. From Vietnam to Belgium, from Australia to China, from Ceylon to India to the Sudan to the Thai people's liberation fighters' underground radio, came messages of support for the Arab people. We reprint several of these messages and excerpts below.

China Denounces U.S.-Israel Aggression Against Arab People

The Government of People's China issued the following statement after the Mideast war began:

On June 5, 1967, instigated and supported by U.S. imperialism, Israel flagrantly launched massive armed aggression against the United Arab Republic, Syria and other Arab states. This is another towering crime against the people of Asia, Africa and the rest of the world....

Israel is a product of the U.S. and British imperialist policy of aggression. After World War II Israel could not have existed at all without U.S. imperialist fosterage, and it would never have dared to launch attack against the Arab states without U.S. imperialist support.

It is U.S. imperialism that has instigated Israel to attack Syria... it is again U.S. imperialism that has been supplying Israel with large quantities of arms in order to mount sudden attacks on the United Arab Republic and other Arab countries. In addition to the Government

Cuba Attacks Imperialist-Imposed Cease-Fire

JUNE 7 — The Cuban Government today denounced the UN cease-fire resolution of June 6, which was adopted with the support of the present Soviet leaders, as a "scandalous capitulation" and pledged support for "any kind of resistance adopted by the United Arab Republic."

"It is painful to the peoples of the world," said the Cuban statement, "that the United States manifests its joy at what it obviously considers a political, diplomatic and military victory for imperialism."

The declaration did not mention the Soviet Union by name, but considering

Statement, Premier Chou En-lai addressed special messages to President Nasser, President Attassi of Syria and Ahmad Shukairy, head of the Palestine Liberation Organization. Premier Chou pledged the full support of the People's Republic of China for the Arab people in their just struggle against U.S.-Israeli aggression.

Meanwhile, in China, mass demonstrations have been held in Peking "against the war of aggression launched by U.S. imperialism and its lackey, Israel, against Arab countries and in support of the Arab people's just war against aggression... hundreds of thousands of revolutionary workers and functionaries, young Red Guards and revolutionary students and teachers filed through the streets from early morning.

"The demonstrators moved in a steady stream past the embassies of the Arab countries and the Peking office of the Palestine Liberation Organization to pledge firm support to the Arab people in their just war."

its reference to "capitulation" and its encouragement of further Arab resistance when the Soviet leaders were silent on that question, the inference was clear.

Earlier, as reported in the Cuban Communist Party newspaper, Granma, on June 4 before the Israeli attack began, the Government had said:

"The aggressive stand of imperialism in the Middle East is one more expression of the warlike and criminal role of United States imperialism....

"Our people and our party support the stand of the Arab peoples and offer them complete solidarity in this moment of threat to their integrity and independence."

On May 27 a dispatch from Havana, reported that the Organization of Solidarity of the Peoples of Africa, Asia and Latin America (OSPAAAL) condemned "the acts of aggression that Israel intends to commit against the Arab people."

"The present Middle East crisis," said the declaration, "has its origin in imperialist maneuvers to check the advance of the revolution now developing in Syria and occupied South Yemen as well as to impede the Palestinian people's recovery of their legitimate rights....

"The Executive Secretariat of OSPAAAL," it concluded, "in consideration of the situation in the Middle East, declares its most energetic condemnation of the maneuvers carried out by Yankee imperialism and its Zionist agents against the Arab peoples, and urges all member organizations and other revolutionary forces the world over to demonstrate their militant moral and material solidarity with the Arab people."

Pres. Ho Chi Minh Declares Support for United Arab Struggle

HANOI, June 7 (Hsinhua) — President Ho Chi Minh of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam yesterday sent a message to Nureddin Attassi, head of state of the Arab Republic of Syria, voicing full support for the just struggle of the Syrian people against the aggression launched by Israel, a stooge of U.S. and British imperialism.

The message said: "The Vietnamese people and the government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam are highly indignant at the military attack launched by the Israeli reactionaries, agents of the U.S. and British imperialists, against the territory of the Arab Republic of Syria."

"The government of the Democratic Republic of Vietnam strongly condemns this act of aggression of the Israeli reactionaries, instigated and aided by the imperialists, and firmly demands that they stop it forthwith," the message said.

It went on to say: "The Syrian people's just struggle to defend their independence, sovereignty and social progress, to safeguard the legitimate rights of the Arab people and to preserve peace in the Middle and Near East, is sure to enjoy strong support from the Asian and African peoples and peace-loving and justice-loving people in the world."

"In the face of the united struggle of the Arab people, all aggressive schemes and acts of the imperialists and their agents against the Republic of Syria are doomed to ignominious defeat," the message said.

Group Plans Action Against U.S.-Israel War

NEW YORK, June 21 — As press and TV whipped up an anti-Arab spirit, a group here affirmed its support for the oppressed Arab people and made plans to appeal to the broad public on the issue.

A capacity crowd attended a meeting at Academy Hall, called by the Ad Hoc Conference Committee on the Middle East, and prepared for several larger actions to take place in the near future.

The call to the conference, printed in the June 17 National Guardian, had said that the communications media are "cynically playing on the sympathies of progressives for the sufferings of Jews, particularly in this century, to conceal U.S. imperialist designs."

Chairing the body was Rita Freed, coordinator of the Ad Hoc Committee, who explained its aims and briefly outlined the background of the Mideast conflict.

"I would like to make very clear,"

she said at the outset, "that in opposing the Israeli state, we are not attacking the Jewish people, nor disregarding the rightful desire of this oppressed nation for a homeland."

But, she added, "the Jewish domination of the Arabs, expulsion of the Arabs and appropriation of Arab land (even before the present conflict) is wholly wrong and must be redressed."

Lively discussion on the floor revealed that the great majority of the gathering understood the real issues, opposed the napalming of the Arabs as they did the slaughter in Vietnam, and sympathized to one extent or another with the Arab struggle against imperialism.

Sponsors of the conference were: Gil Banks, Dixie Bayo, John Cattalino, Bernard Galitz, Eugene Genovese, Marvin Gettleman, Martin Glass, Naomi Goldstein, Deirdre Griswold, Florynce Kennedy, Wilbert Kirby, Mary Kochiyama, Allen Krebs, Conrad Lynn, Ragaa Makharita, Alex Munsell, Pedro Juan Rua, Nick Salvatore, A.B. Spellman, Walter Teague, James Weinstein.

Over 40 people volunteered their services for leafleting, mailing, etc. in the coming weeks.

Milwaukee Militants Picket Wallace And Call for More Action Against Him

MILWAUKEE, June 16 — Fascist Presidential hopeful, George Wallace was picketed here tonight as he preached his racist, anti-labor doctrine to a motley assemblage of hoodlums and businessmen.

Youth Against War and Fascism and the Progressive Workers of America (Provisional) turned out to greet the demagogue with a militant, sign-carrying picket line that made the front page of the Milwaukee Sentinel here.

Inside the auditorium, Wallace attacked the Supreme Court, but not for its anti-labor and anti-civil rights decisions. He thought it was too liberal

and he condemned even the token civil rights laws the "moderate" ruling class has enacted. He complained about "bearded professors" and declared, "They've turned this country over to the anarchists."

He advocates segregation as one antidote to "the anarchists."

"Moderate" civil rights leaders here had opposed the picket line, arguing that demonstrations would do Wallace more good than harm. One member of Wallace's staff, cleverly utilizing this suicidal conservatism, told reporters he was "relieved to see the pickets," adding that "For a while it looked like

Youth Group Demonstrates; "Stop U.S.-Israeli Aggression"

NEW YORK, June 10 — Seventy people demonstrated today outside the United States Mission to the United Nations "to protest U.S.-Israeli aggression against the Arab people" and demanding that the "U.S. get out of the Mideast."

The pickets chanted throughout the two hour demonstration, alternating between slogans such as "Hands Off the Arab People, Get the Sixth Fleet Out," "Eshkol and Dayan Work for Standard Oil," and "No Vietnams Against the Arab People." Among the signs carried by the marchers were "Hands Off Syria" and "Stop U.S.-Israeli Aggression."

A number of Arab students joined the demonstration which was sponsored by Youth Against War and Fascism. The Movimiento Pro-Independencia de Puerto Rico was also represented by a delegation which joined the picket line.

A statement distributed to reporters at the demonstration declared:

"The aggression by Israel against the Arab peoples, is a direct result of the cynical manipulations carried out by U.S. and British imperialism since the end of the Second World War. They took advantage of the tragic status of the Jewish survivors of Nazi

Milwaukee was going to ignore us."

A spokesman for Youth Against War and Fascism observed that about five hundred extra pickets would have "relieved" Wallace of an audience.

National publicity for Wallace, it is true, has concentrated on the fact that many have picketed him on his present tour. But this is only an admission that he represents the extreme right, and while it may get him more big business support, it also helps to arouse the masses, particularly his intended victims, against him.



barbarism to create a wedge of pro-imperialist territory in the middle of the Arab world....

"Behind the war in the Middle East are the super-profits extracted by such monopolies as Standard Oil, Texaco, Gulf and Mobil Oil....

"We condemn the rightist military clique in Israel that is allowing their country to be used as a catspaw for the U.S. in the Middle East. But we condemn 100 times more the cynical leaders in Washington who have maneuvered Israel into this position...."

CORRECTION

The following is a correction to our last issue's story on the GI's at Ft. Sill:

Pfc. Ilg accused Lt. Urquhart, not Captain Bartholomew, of "tearing the constitution up and throwing it on the floor." Further, when he said, "I would rather go to Leavenworth..." he was not discussing Vietnam at that point, but Urquhart's perjury.

Anti-War GI Tells How Imperialist U.S. Army Trains Youth to Become Murder Machines

"Killing for Its Own Sake Strongly Emphasized,"

By Pvt. E-1 ANDY STAPP, U.S. 52666589

FORT SILL, Okla. — Tonight I have guard duty again. The Brass apparently feels that although I am surely a dangerous subversive (Major Marshall told one of my closest friends to stop associating with me), it is OK to put me in charge of \$300,000 worth of trucks and tanks for an evening.

My Special Orders which I must have with me at all times tonight state that I am to secure the stables of the Battalion's Donkey Mascot, "Big Deuce." Incidentally, Big Deuce, a PFC, now outranks me since I was busted at the court-martial.

Your mind tends to wander as you walk your post hour after hour. My thoughts often return to those very first weeks I spent in the army: Basic Training.

All of us drafted into the U.S. Army from the Philadelphia area were first processed through the induction center at 401 North Broad St.

Here, as America's future soldiers, we were required to sign the standard pledge that we would not try to overthrow the government. Here also, we took a verbal oath of allegiance that formally marks our entry into the Armed Forces.

The chubby lieutenant who administered this oath to my group asked us if there was anyone present who would refuse to be sworn in. He said that three men had resisted induction here in the last several weeks, and that he "better not have any trouble with this bunch." After we took the oath he warned us that we were now subject to military discipline.

"You men will be sent to Ft. Jackson, S.C. Anyone who skips off the train and is missing for 30 days will be considered a deserter and is liable to be shot!"

Despite this absurd threat, one of us was missing even before the train had arrived at Jackson.

On our first day in South Carolina we began preparations for basic training.

Uniforms and dogtags were issued, forms were filled out, etc. We were tested for blood type by medics who made a small incision in our index fingers and smeared the blood on a glass plate.

A medic asked the Afro-American trainee standing in front of me in line if he was "one of the n****rs who had caused all the trouble in Selma."

"I'll give you something to remember," the medic sneered, as he sliced unnecessarily deep into the Black youth's finger tip, causing blood to spurt from his hand.

This was not the only blatant act of racism we witnessed at Ft. Jackson. We had classes in what the Army calls "Character Guidance," where chaplains referred to the Vietnamese people as "chinks" and "gooks."

When the M-14 rifles were issued and a Puerto Rican kid refused to take his from the rack, none of us were too surprised. That afternoon at lunch he was missed, and we never saw him again.

There was little attempt made to convince us that the war in Vietnam is just. Killing for its own sake was strongly emphasized.

When asked, "What is the spirit of the bayonet fighter?" we were ordered to shout in reply, "To kill! To kill!" Before meals, the platoon would be lined up at attention and a sergeant would belabor, "What are you?" To this we were instructed to answer, "Tigers."

He would then yell, "What do you eat?" We were told that the desired response was, "Raw Meat!" "What do you drink?" he would scream. The reply here was supposed to be, "Warm Blood!"

The rest of this ritual is too obscene for print. Such crude indoctrination recalls the chant of Franco's fascist soldiers, "Long Live Death!" Needless to say, many of us refused to degrade ourselves in this manner and remained silent.

We had a few classes on the Geneva Convention, which informed us of our



Pvt. ANDY STAPP

On June 1st, Pvt. Andrew Stapp, represented by an Emergency Civil Liberties Committee lawyer and supported in the courtroom by a militant group from Youth Against War & Fascism, was court-martialed and convicted of refusing to open his footlocker and hand over anti-war literature.

rights as POW's. One trainee asked the sergeant instructing the class if the NLF also had rights as prisoners. He (the trainee) said he had heard how an American soldier had decapitated a "Vietcong" prisoner in order to win a bottle of Scotch from his colonel, who had offered it in reward to the first soldier who killed a "VC" with a hatchet. The sergeant teaching the class stammered a faint reply none of us could hear.

During the last week of basic training we were sent through a series of bayonet courses. One of my friends refused to growl, telling the cadre in charge that it was animalistic. A number of us agreed on this point and we were taken to the company commander. This officer told us that he "would think more of killing a bird than a man."

Many of us would have agreed with this statement, provided he was the man.

ture. He was sentenced to cuts in rank and pay and given 45 days hard labor.

Pvt. Andrew Stapp has actively opposed the war. He is a revolutionary socialist and has proudly said so. He and other GI's at Fort Sill have made public statements against the war and sent a message of support to Capt. Howard Levy who refused to help train Green Beret killers.

The anti-war position of Pvt. Stapp and other GI's at Fort Sill has gained wide support from other soldiers at the base, from civilians who have read about it, and even from servicemen overseas who have written Pvt. Stapp to support him.

As a result of this wide sympathy, the Army stepped back slightly and, in answer to the appeal, eliminated the hard labor part of his sentence.

To support Pvt. Stapp and the growing ranks of anti-war GI's, a committee has been formed. For information write Shirley Jolls, secretary of the COMMITTEE FOR GI RIGHTS c/o YAWF, 58 West 25th St., NYC; call (212) 242-9225, or 675-2520.

We were then sent back to our platoon where the sergeant proceeded to lecture the guys in the following manner: "Pay no attention to these six communists. They say they're against the war, but the Bible says there will be wars piled on wars, am I right men?" The platoon stared at him in silence. Three days later we graduated from basic training.

Many of the experiences I've had in the Army have been equally comic.

Other attempts by the officers to suppress dissent have borne near tragic fruits. The inquisition very recently came down with all four feet on the head of one of my dearest friends. Threatening him with great personal loss, they forced him to bend almost completely to their will.

They could terrorize him into making the statements they wished him to make, but there's one thing they can not make him do: stop hating them and everything they stand for.

Some people mistakenly believe that Israel, place of refuge for the persecuted Jewish people and land of the "socialist" kibbutzim, is a force for progress in the Mideast.

But in fact the opposite is true. Israel is a weapon of imperialism against the Arab masses and against the Arab revolution. Israel's treatment of civilians and the creation of hundreds of thousands of refugees are the acts of an army bent on conquest. Moshe Dayan, during his recent trip to South Vietnam, apparently learned a lot from his American tutors about the methods of imperialism.

Napalm Victims Fill Hospitals

CAIRO, June 17 — The Agency France Presse reported here today that three doctors at a hospital nearby stated that 75 per cent of their military casualty cases were persons with napalm burns and that 50 per cent of these would probably die.

The napalm, said the doctors at Meadi Hospital, was the same as that used by the United States in Vietnam.

They said many similar napalm cases were being handled in other hospitals in Cairo, Suez, Ismailia and Tanta.

U.S.-Style Terror Campaign Against Arab Refugees

Israelis Napalm, Evict Jordanians

By ELLEN PIERCE

A million Arabs live in the areas overrun by Israel two weeks ago. And tens of thousands of them are fleeing and being driven out of the occupied territory in a repetition of what happened when Israel was established in 1948.

In fact, many of those crossing into what is left of Jordan or fleeing across the Sinai desert toward Egypt are Palestinian refugees whose homes have been UN camps for the past 20 years.

The West Bank of Jordan, now in Israeli hands, held 450,000 refugees from the 1948 war in addition to half a million Arabs native to that area. A fifth of this entire population is believed to have fled across the Jordan River, climbing over the wreckage of the Allenby Bridge or even wading across the water.

According to the New York Times of June 12, the most helpless of the refugees were deliberately bombed.

"Senior UN officials who have sifted many reports from the refugees," said the paper, "believe that a pattern of expulsion is emerging. They say the Israelis appear to be concentrating on pushing out inhabitants of such frontier villages as Qalqilya and Tulkarm as well as the inhabitants of the big refugee camps..."

"There seems to be little doubt that the 60,000 inhabitants of the three big United Nations camps around Jericho were attacked by planes on the second day of the fighting."

The same day, a Reuters dispatch from Amman, Jordan, reported that "The massive trek (into Amman) has continued despite appeals over Amman Radio advising people not to abandon their homes to the Israelis."

"Many said they fled because of air raids. Others said Israeli troops forced them from their houses."

"Some said the Israelis refused to let them take anything with them, seizing passports, money and women's gold ornaments."

"They told of Bedouin tents burned to ashes and burned and blackened fields."

The director of a Boys Town farm near Jericho told of attacks on the refugees by Israel planes.

"They came in low, shooting their machine gun bullets all along the road," said Shimaden Dajani, who also complained of looting by the conquering army. (New York Times, June 13)

It is now clear that Israel is organizing the Arab "exodus" from the occupied Jordanian territory, supplying

transportation to the East Bank of the Jordan River on condition that the Arabs sign a document saying they were leaving of their own free will!

In Jerusalem, the city which Israelis supposedly hold sacred, "Western diplomatic sources reported that... Tuesday night there had been a full-scale Israeli mortar assault on the Augusta Victoria Hospital... The hospital was put under strong searchlight glare from the dominating Israeli position on Mount Scopus. Diplomats said they had seen smoke and flames rising from the hospital." (New York Times June 10)

Perhaps the most damning evidence against Israel was its use of napalm, a weapon which has become almost a synonym and certainly a symbol for the universally hated policy of the United States in Vietnam.

Napalm was used against field hospitals near Jenin and Nablus in Jordan. A Lebanese doctor reported napalming of mobile medical units in Jordan clearly marked with the red cross. Hospitals in Amman and other Jordanian cities were reported full of napalm victims. The most badly burned had to be left to die due to the lack of facilities for treatment.

Dayan Met With McNamara, Taylor, Rostow Before Attack

U.S. Rulers Plotted With Israeli Puppets For War of Aggression Against Arab Masses

Tel Aviv Regime Faced Internal Crisis Before War; Over Eager To Do Bidding of Washington

By MILT SEAMAN

The Washington-Israeli scheme to consolidate the gains of Israel's aggression against the Arab states has become increasingly clear in the last week. The plot is simple. While U.S. Ambassador to the UN, Arthur Goldberg, righteously rambled on about "cease fires," "peaceful solutions for all parties concerned," and piously appealed for "the territorial integrity of all Middle East countries," Israel's armed forces pushed deeper into Arab territory. These sanctimonious mouthings at Security Council meetings were intended to mask the U.S. commitment to Israeli aggression and prepare the way for Israel to bargain and legitimize the fruits of their aggression.

The Israeli government, their bankers, politicians, and military brass acted as agents for U.S. imperialism's vast and strategic Middle East oil empire that oppresses the Arab masses.

While Johnson double-talked about finding a diplomatic solution to the UAR blockade of Israeli shipping, Israeli officials were telling a different story in Tel Aviv.

Washington Gives Tel Aviv the Green Light

In an article in the Israel Digest, June 2, 1967, headed "America's Unambiguous Stand," it was related how Prime Minister Eshkol following his briefings with Mr. Eban, the Foreign Minister, who had just returned from secret meetings in Washington, told the Knesset (Parliament), "The Israeli government was deeply impressed by the unambiguous stand of the U.S. in favor of the safeguarding of passage in these international waters."

Though couched in diplomatic language, it was clear to the Israeli leaders that the U.S. Government would sponsor Israel in a war against the Arab states.

If further evidence were needed that Israel had the green light from the U.S. it was revealed in an interview in U.S. News and World Report of April 17 (following the Prime Minister's trip to the U.S.). Mr. Eshkol was asked if Israel would expect U.S. help in a showdown. Eshkol answered, "When we asked for more arms we were told... don't spend your money. We are here. The Sixth Fleet is here."

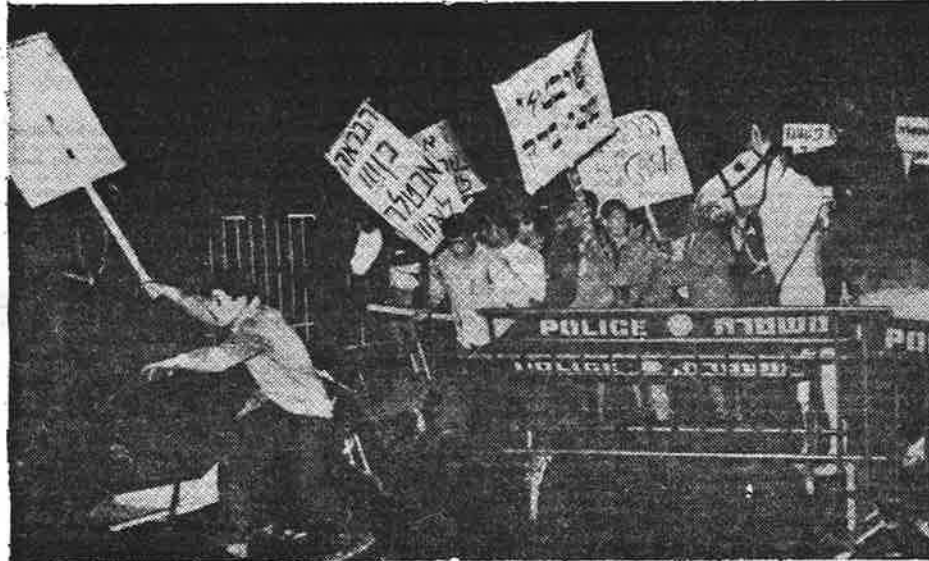
Dayan's Vietnam Training

The U.S. commitment had been put into specific terms a number of months earlier when Major General Moshe Dayan was invited by the U.S. to visit Vietnam. The "hero" of the 1956 Sinai invasion took a leave of absence from his post as a member of the Knesset to make this very special and significant trip. He was to go as a "journalist" and according to the Washington Post of November 12, he received \$800 from the United States Information Agency for travel expenses (!!!) What made his trip so ominous is that prior to his leaving for Vietnam, this soldier-politician posing as a "journalist" held secret briefings with the top U.S. advisers to President Johnson: Walt Rostow, Secretary McNamara, and General Maxwell Taylor, the architects of the U.S. aggression against Vietnam. On his return from Vietnam, Dayan once again went into top level briefings with McNamara, Under Secretary of State Nicholas B. Katzenbach, and the top Army brass.

This information was reported in an article in the May 1967 Jewish Currents by Louis Harab, in a review of Dayan's

book, "Diary of the Sinai Campaign."

According to the article, Dayan was supposed to make recommendations to the top U.S. brass on how the war in Vietnam could be won. He interviewed U.S. generals in battle zones and accompanied units in operation. It is difficult to understand how this military puppet could give any advice to his imperialist masters who "wrote the book" on waging aggressive wars against oppressed people struggling for liberation. The truth is that he went to Vietnam, not as a journalist, not as a teacher, but as a student with notebook and pencil in hand. He was in Vietnam to learn the ways of waging wars of aggression against liberation struggles, to observe the destructive effects of napalm and anti-personnel weapons and how terror bombing affects the civilian population.



Unemployed workers breaking through a police barrier in Tel Aviv (From The Jerusalem Post Weekly, March 20, 1967)

Is it not a testimony to the collusion and conspiracy of the U.S. and Israel governments, that less than a year later Dayan, as Israeli Defense Minister, was putting his grisly lessons into practice on the Arab people?

While Johnson cynically talked about "neutrality" and "territorial integrity" Washington was in a state of jubilation over the results of the Israeli aggression. Their pupil had learned his lesson well.

U.S. Bank "Aids" Puppets

In the midst of all this military scheming prior to the invasion, another event underscores the master-servant relationship. In March of this year, Walter Sauer, Vice President of the U.S. Export-Import Bank, turned up in Tel Aviv. (The U.S. Export-Import Bank is a "bankers' bank"—a consortium of large U.S. banks, who together have a gigantic money pool to implement U.S. foreign rule.)

According to the Jerusalem Post Weekly of March 20, 1967, a few months before the Israeli invasion, Sauer had private meetings with Mr. Eshkol; the Governor of the Bank of Israel, Mr. David Horowitz; and Finance Minister, Mr. Sapir. These meetings were to discuss the economic "slowdown" as the Jerusalem Post called it, but which was in reality a severe economic depression. Number 1 on the agenda was the discussion of how Wall Street financing could bail them out.

What is ironic about the Israel crisis

is that it was precipitated by their relations with the U.S. They were in hock to U.S. business, who sold them military hardware (Douglas A-4 Skyhawk jet bombers, Hawk missiles, M-48 Patton tanks, and other arms), and then loaned them money through interest-bearing Israeli bonds and other loans, to pay the bills.

With military spending and payments on the national debt being the two largest items in their budget, Israel was running a debt to the imperialists of over \$400 million a year, a substantial amount for a small state. What further aggravated the crisis is that Israel buys \$220 million yearly in U.S. goods and exports only \$65 million, a whopping four to one unfavorable balance of trade. In the past, Israel was able to meet some of this deficit by the reparations they received from West Germany, but the last payment was made in March. Mr. Sapir, the Finance Minister, typical of Wall Street stooges, blamed the workers for the crisis. "We have eaten and consumed more than we produced...as

what Mr. Sauer called an "economic slowdown."

Workers' Riot for "Bread or Work"

On March 14, the New York Times reported that "rioters protested growing unemployment in Israel, stoned City Hall tonight, smashing windows and damaging vehicles in the parking lot.... The disturbance followed an orderly demonstration of several thousand workers...organized by union committees in the Tel Aviv area. Some marchers said they were unemployed, but most attended as contingents from factories. They chanted 'Bread and Work' and 'We are against dismissals.'"

They were protesting about the 100,000 workers (over 10 per cent of the work force) who are out on the street, as well as thousands more who are on short work weeks of two and three days. They were protesting against the government plan to use a wave of unemployment as a club to lower wages and worsen working conditions. Waves of strikes had broken out all over Israel—postal workers, milk delivery workers, garbage collectors, and many others in the civil service.

What made the situation even more ominous for the workers was that a further swell of unemployment was expected as the citrus shipping season ended, Army conscripts were being demobilized, and students graduated. Workers' demonstrations were so militant that they broke down the barriers that separated them from City Hall and fought the police, who used truncheons and shields to ward them off.

Plight of Non-European Jews

Hardest hit by unemployment are the Sephardim or "Oriental Jews" who emigrated from North Africa and the Middle East. Last to be hired, first to be fired, these Jewish immigrants work at the most menial and difficult tasks. From Yemen, Morocco, and Iraq, they poured in, financed by the fund drives of the United Jewish Appeal in the U.S. Many of the dark-skinned Jewish immigrants who make up nearly 65 per cent of the population are now destitute. They are segregated in Israeli villages and are subject to racial prejudice.

The procession of events culminating in the military action indisputably confirms that Israel was in a state of near collapse. The collusive friendship between the U.S. and the leaders of Israel was to wage all-out war against the Arab people.

The old-fashioned capitalist remedy for an ailing economy was prescribed

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Israel "Protects Borders" By Robbing Egypt's Oil!

The ruling class in the United States and its puppets in Tel Aviv would have everyone believe that little Israel invaded Syria, Jordan and the United Arab Republic merely to protect its borders. However, there has not been one objection from all the defenders of Israel's war of "protection" to the fact that the Israeli government now plans to operate two rich oil fields stolen from the U.A.R. during the Israeli seizure of Suez.

An article in the New York Post of June 17, headlined, "Israel Strikes Gold in Egypt Oil Fields" defiantly boasted that these oil fields constitute about 40% of Egypt's total oil yield and produce 100,000 barrels a day at a profit of over \$1.00 a barrel or \$100,000

a day, properly belonging to the Egyptian people.

The Israeli government intends to keep the total profits from the Ras Sudr field, which is entirely owned by the Egyptian government, and half the profits from the Belayim field, operated on a 50-50 basis by the Egyptians and the Italian ENI company. The Post article further revealed that this "windfall" alone can increase Israel's exports by 10% a year!

Thus, as much as Eshkol, Dayan, Eban and the other puppets of U.S. imperialism may protest that they are "only protecting their borders," the lie has been clearly exposed by this outright act of robbery.

Small Time Carolina Racist Gets \$100,000 Job

Afro-American Leader In Exile Tells How Bosses Reward Racist

Behind all the lies coming out of Washington about "implementing civil rights", the Wall Street rulers have made it a policy to employ the worst of Southern racists in their government as well as in their business organizations. These ultra-racist appointees, many of them officials from infamous Southern lynch towns, are unleashed by Washington and Wall Street in the North as well as in the South to further intensify the oppression and exploitation of the Black people.

The following passages are excerpted from the May issue of *The Crusader*, published by Robert Williams, now in exile in Peking, and relate the rise of one such local racist politician from Monroe, North Carolina, of whose background Mr. Williams has considerable knowledge:

By ROB WILLIAMS

.....Southern racist gentry are becoming the new kings of national commerce and politics. The racist lynchmen of the solid-in-racism South are now casting their menacing shadows over the ghettos that were once considered a refuge for Black men

fleeing the bigoted wrath of Southern white men.

Yes, the plantation bosses are following the miserable sharecroppers to the North to help establish a new and even more vicious plantation system. Their greatest asset to the Northern power structure is their experience in keeping "darkies" in their places. They are the new shock troops of white supremacy, the most effective bulwark against the Black man's advancement.

One of the most glaring examples of the new carpetbag era is the case of Henry Hall Wilson, Jr. Cap'n Wilson or Mr. Hall as the boys from the chain gang call him, is from Monroe, North Carolina, one of the most notorious names in the legend of Dixie oppression of the Afro-American.

.....He is a local racist country politician who made it to Washington as Kennedy's White House Aide and liaison man to the Senate as a political payoff for his success in swinging the racist and Klan vote of North Carolina to the Kennedy Camp during the election. Wilson was one of the few from the Kennedy Administration who



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was considered valuable enough to be carried over by Johnson into his administration.

This southern bigot recently accompanied Johnson to Germany for Adenauer's funeral. He is a special

friend of Chief A. A. Mauney of Monroe. Chief of police Mauney allowed the local Klan to use the police station as a recruiting station to swell its ranks while "Mr. Hall" saw to it that the Klan was never short on legal advice.

After Chief Mauney and other racist officials forced a white couple to falsely indict five Monroe Freedom Fighter defendants, on a trumped-up kidnap charge that was woven around a civil rights demonstration which resulted in a race riot, the Klan's liaison man in the White House, Henry Hall Wilson, inveighed upon Bobby Kennedy, then Attorney General, to throw the U.S. Justice Department behind the Klan and Chief Mauney.

As a result of the efforts of Wilson at the White House and U.S. Justice Department, the notoriously racist F.B.I. sought my capture to turn me over to a mob of Klansmen who waited at the Union County Courthouse for two days.....

.....The racist power structure is so pleased with his dedication, of frustrating the civil rights of Black people, that he has now been shifted from the White House to Chicago..... The Klan advocate from the racist jungle of Monroe, North Carolina has been appointed president of the Chicago Board of Trade. He will fill the post beginning June 1, 1967 at a salary of \$100,000 a year.....

- Undeclared War

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tion of Lockland Community.

A rebellion broke out when Black people protested the arrest of Peter Allen Frakes, 40, who was carrying a sign demanding the freedom of an Afro-American postal worker sentenced to die by electrocution.

The people, particularly the youth, fought the heavily armed racist forces with primitive weapons: stones, bottles, bricks and fire bombs. The rebellion spread from Lockland to three other neighborhoods, contained within a five or six square mile area of the city. It took almost a week for the national guard and police to subdue the people.

TAMPA: Florida Governor Claude R. Kirk called out 500 national guards to reinforce 350 deputies and 150 police in sealing off a 61 block area in the Central Village section of the city. The rebellion broke out after police killed unarmed 19-year-old Martin Chambers.

Chambers was shot in the back. The guard and the police marched through the streets with rifles and fixed bayonets and accompanied by a six-ton armored "riotmobile" equipped with a high pressure water cannon and tear gas. Jeeps with mounted machine guns also cruised the area. Police rushed bystanders with police dogs and ordered everyone off the streets.

Black youths, unarmed at first, raided the largest gun store in the neighborhood and fought back, exchanging heavy fire with police for three hours on the first day of the uprising. Others fought with the weapons at hand — bricks, bottles, firebombs, etc.

PRATTVILLE: Alabama Governor Wallace sent 75 national guardsmen and 75 reserves, with orders to "shoot to kill if necessary," to back up police, deputies and KKK members in an assault on Afro-Americans in Prattville. The police and guard "took over the town," searching people's homes for weapons and brutally beating several leading Black civil rights workers after Afro-Americans returned the gun-fire of the KKK and police who attacked a meeting of five men and 35 women and children.

Earlier in the day, Assistant Police Chief, Kenneth Hill, who murdered an Afro-American last February, arrested Stokely Carmichael who had just given a militant speech to an outdoor meeting.

BOSTON: Over 1,700 helmeted police armed with submachine guns, fixed

bayonets and police dogs sealed off a 15 block area in Roxbury and poured heavy fire on the Black community.

The rebellion began when police beat members of Mothers For Adequate Welfare who were having a sit-in at Grove Hall Welfare Office to protest hostile treatment and summary termination of welfare "benefits" by social workers in the department.

Rev. Virgil A. Wood, director of the Blue Hill Christian Center stated:

"Literally, war was declared on the Black people by the police force last night...."

Five days of fighting followed in which the community fought to get the police out with every means available.

During the last two weeks there have been reports of similar uprisings and police repressions in Dayton, Watts, and Montgomery, among others. In fact, according to U.S. News and World Report of June 26, there have been rebellions in no less than 27 cities during the first six months of this year.

And so the war rages — racist corporate oppressors against super-exploited and oppressed — without even the mildest "dove-like" protest from any capitalist spokesman, politician or propagandist.

After 13 years of empty ruling class promises of freedom and equality, the terror of the Klan lynch mob has not diminished one iota — it has only been put in the shade of the "legal" terror of the national guard and the police.

After Supreme Court decisions, civil rights bills, New Frontiers, Great Societies, wars on poverty — an endless procession of meaningless tokens — 10 to 15 per cent of adult Black males are still unemployed; 20 to 30 per cent of Black youth are unemployed; 1 out of every five Black workers earns less than \$60 a week; 7 per cent can only find part-time work; 37 per cent of Afro-American families live on less than \$3,000 a year.

These figures were admitted in a Government study of 10 urban ghettos. But these figures don't begin to tell the national story because the southern Black masses have even a lower standard of living.

But even by the generous estimate of the Labor Department, the average Afro-American family earns \$3,800 a year as compared with \$6,330 for whites. There are five million Black families. Thus, if those Black workers who can find jobs had the same income as whites, that alone would cost the U.S. ruling class over \$12 billion a year more!

SNCC Statement On Prattville Terror

SNCC statement to the Afro-Asian Missions to the United Nations on June 12, 1967 protesting armed racist attack by police and KKK in Prattville, Alabama.

On the afternoon of Sunday, June 12, a meeting of Black people to discuss political organizing was held on the grounds of the St. Mark's Church in Prattville, Alabama, a small town located in Autaugauna County, about 40 miles from Montgomery. It is in this county that Mrs. "Ladybird" Johnson has extensive land holdings.

The meeting was being addressed by former SNCC Chairman Stokely Carmichael when a police car drove up and an officer began harassing Brother Carmichael for speaking of "Black Power" to the gathering. The officer was Ken Hill, who earlier this year was accused of murdering a Black prisoner in the Prattville jail. Hill finally arrested him on charges of disorderly conduct and disturbing the peace. This was at approximately 5 p.m.

Black people in Prattville, angered by the arrest, moved swiftly to protest it at the jail and elsewhere. Gunfire was exchanged by Black and white residents. Later that evening, a meeting of Black people was taking place in the home of Mr. Daniel Hauser, a local resident.

Ku Klux Klansmen and other whites began firing on the house, where there were approximately 40 persons, the majority of them women and children... The police cordoned off a large area of the community; newsmen and others were not allowed through. A unit of the National Guard arrived from

Is it any wonder that armed terror against the ghetto has become standard operating procedure for the ruling class?

In city after city, convulsion after convulsion takes place as the masses rise up against unemployment, sickness, over-crowded, rat-infested housing and all the misery of grinding poverty. The bosses have their political front men fret in public over "urban conditions" while in private they order out the troops.

In their future Black youth see only poverty, death in Vietnam or George Wallace striving to make racism a national doctrine while the entire capitalist establishment folds its hands.

Legal segregation has been largely

abolished and now 20 million Afro-Americans are face to face with the racist system of the corporations, of which the segregation laws were only a reflection. The laws are gone, but the drive for super-exploitation remains. Big business needs no discriminatory laws to enforce its white supremacist will. The bosses hold the purse strings. They have the right to hire and fire and they own the courts and legislators who give them those rights. Profits and Black freedom are incompatible — and the U.S. billionaires are just as intransigent about giving up their super-profits to oppressed Afro-Americans as they are about giving them up to the Vietnamese, the Dominicans, the Arabs or the Congolese.

Montgomery. The house remained under seige until approximately 4 a.m.... Early in the morning of June 12, SNCC Chairman H. Rap Brown issued a brief statement from Chicago: "If anything happens to the Black people in the house in Prattville, SNCC will call for full retaliation by the Black community. We further feel that this is part of America's Gestapo tactics to destroy SNCC and to commit genocide against Black people."

Later that morning, at a press conference in Atlanta, Brother Brown stated: "Our course of action has been set. We will no longer sit back and let Black people be killed by murderers who hide behind sheets or behind the badge of the law. It is clear that the law cannot and will not protect Black people. This is no accident. The racist attitude completely dominates their relationship to the Black community and is blatantly exemplified by their actions."

"We recognize and accept yesterday's action by racist white America as a declaration of war... We blame Lyndon Johnson. We extend a call for Black brothers now serving in Vietnam to come home to the defense of their mothers and families. This is their fight. We say to brothers in the armed forces, if you can die defending your motherland, you can die defending your mother."

"It appears that Alabama has been chosen as the starting battleground for America's race war. This is both fitting and appropriate. For next to America's Vietnam action, Alabama polls the highest death toll of Black men."

Tough Words After the Capitulation

Kosygin at the UN

By SAM MARCY

Soviet Premier Aleksei Kosygin in his speech at the General Assembly of the UN this week, attacked U.S. imperialism and the Israeli aggression against the Arabs. This was all well and good and under different circumstances might have served a useful purpose. But not now.

Actually, the Soviet leadership, which has for a long time represented itself to the Arab people as an ally, friend and even revolutionary guide, shamelessly deserted the Arabs at the moment of their greatest need.

No amount of carefully-worded "militant" statements at the General Assembly can erase this enormously significant fact.

No matter how many fine-spun condemnatory resolutions the Soviet delegation may introduce at the UN General Assembly now, it will not obliterate what it did on the fateful day of June 6, 1967. That date will forever remain one of the most infamous in the long, sordid career of the Soviet revisionist group and the neo-bourgeois restorationist stratum it represents.

Millions of people, who are now listening to radio and TV and hearing the Soviet leaders roundly condemning the U.S. and Israel, should not be deceived by these speeches. Nor should they be taken in by other diplomatic maneuvers of the Soviet leaders. Their present militant words must be balanced against what the Soviet leaders did on June 6 in the Security Council.

Stabbed Arab Freedom

On that day they stabbed the Arab freedom struggle in the back. The wound is still too fresh to be forgotten. It certainly will not be forgotten by the million-fold Arab liberation movement, particularly in the countries which are the most immediate victims of the U.S.-directed Israeli attack.

Because the Soviet leadership took the initiative in calling for an emergency General Assembly meeting to take up the issue of the aggression against the Arab people, it is all the more necessary to set the record straight and see what the leadership of the Soviet Union actually did — as against what its official pronouncements pretend to do. The deeds, it will be found, belie the militant posture it is now putting up in the General Assembly to deceive the people of the world.

All the politics of the Soviet revisionist group, its real orientation and real perspective are all concentrated in what it actually perpetrated on June 6.

Soviet-U.S. Collaborated

On that day the Soviet UN delegate got together with the U.S. UN delegate and they jointly sponsored a resolution in the Security Council which temporarily sealed the fate of the Arab freedom struggle and validated the fruits of U.S.-Israeli aggression against the Arab people. It is well to recall the resolution in its entirety. For it is a remarkable document both from the point of view of content and the manner in which it was contrived.

It reads:

"The Security Council, noting the oral report of the Secretary General in this situation, having heard the statements made in the Council, concerned at the outbreak of fighting and with the menacing situation in the Near East, The Security Council:

1. Calls upon the governments concerned as a first step to take forthwith all measures for an immediate cease-fire and for a cessation of all military activities in the area." (Our emphasis.)

2. Requests the Secretary General to keep the Council promptly and currently informed on the situation."

U.S. Got Its Way

As a reading of the resolution readily discloses, the key paragraph — paragraph 1 — is the only operative part of the resolution. The resolution does not assail or denounce the Israeli Government as the aggressor, nor does it call upon the Israeli Government to immediately withdraw to its previous position, as was the demand of the Soviet leaders when the Israeli attack began. By dropping these points, the Soviet leaders acceded in toto to the demands of the U.S. imperialists.

It in effect was a sweeping capitulation to what the U.S. delegate had demanded — that is, a cease-fire, under circumstances in which the Israeli forces had occupied all the territory they were prepared to take. It also should be noted that the resolution,



while making the cease-fire mandatory as a first step, leaves out any mention of any mandatory second step — such as withdrawal.

The cease-fire was an order. It was a command by the Security Council, which is run by the great powers who established the UN.

What takes place in the UN General Assembly can only be a recommendation, and that by no less than two-thirds of the Assembly. The General Assembly debate was contrived to be a mere talkathon, where the Security Council measure was an action. The action, of course, was directed at stifling the Arab people's struggle. This was done by ordering their governments to stop the people under their control from fighting the foreign invader.

Never Consulted the Arabs

It should be noted that the joint resolution, which was secretly arrived at between Washington and Moscow, was never submitted to the Arab governments for approval before being presented to the Security Council for a vote. The Soviet leaders did not previously consult their Arab allies on this crucial matter. On the contrary, the Arab governments have given every indication that they were opposed to the cease-fire agreement.

What the Soviet leaders did in this situation was merely a repeat performance of their Cuban missile crisis conduct, when, it will be recalled, they did not consult the Cuban Government on their agreement with the U.S. to remove the missiles from Cuban territory.

The cease-fire order, apologists for the Kremlin leaders will say, was made necessary by the swift military defeat inflicted upon the Arab governments and the need to salvage what could be salvaged before any further military advance could be made by Israel's army.

This line of argumentation is false to the core. In contemporary imperialist wars upon oppressed nations, a military defeat inflicted by the imperialist government upon a government of an oppressed nation is not at all synonymous with the defeat of the people. It is one thing for an imperialist government to achieve a military victory but it is something else to defeat the people. The Arab people were not, and are not now defeated — by any means.

A military defeat over a conventional army is merely one battle lost in a long war for national liberation.

No Cease-Fire at Stalingrad!

The Israeli military leaders have admitted that holding the territory which they occupy is the real problem for them. In this connection it is not irrelevant to ask what would the Soviet people have thought if when Hitlerite hordes were literally at the gates of Moscow and Leningrad, some outside power had imposed a cease-fire order on the Soviet people?

Isn't it a fact that some elements of the Soviet army were initially crushed and other elements overrun by the Nazis? And were not huge chunks of territory seized and occupied by the Nazi invader? Is this

not an analogy to the Mideast war?

Much nonsense has been said about Mideastern conditions being unfavorable for guerrilla warfare, almost all of it by apologists for the cease-fire. The Arab people themselves however are showing every sign of wanting to organize on a mass scale for armed sustained warfare.

That is precisely what the invader cannot long withstand.

But aside from all these considerations, there was no obligation on the part of the Soviet Union as a member of the Security Council of the UN to go along with the U.S.-sponsored resolution on the cease-fire unless it met with the conditions of the Arab governments. The Soviet Union could have vetoed any U.S. move in the Security Council.

But as noted above, the Soviet leadership threw overboard its obligation to the Arab governments and behind the scenes it conspired with the U.S. to present a fait accompli to the Security Council. This stunned not only the Arab peoples, but the world at large.

Never Indicted the U.S.

It should also be noted that at no time did the Soviet Union recommend the indictment of the U.S. as the aggressor or instigator of the Israeli war upon the Arab peoples. The U.S. is mentioned only indirectly or by innuendo. The Soviet spokesman at no time made it clear that the relationship between the U.S. and the Israeli government is strictly one of a satellite and its master.

For all the glib talk about legality and International law, neither Fedorenko nor Kosygin made it clear that the actual relationship which exists between the U.S. and Israel is strictly one of a principal and his agent. The Soviet resolution should have properly indicted the U.S. as well as the Israeli government. By directing its main attack against the puppet rather than against the master, the Soviet Government deliberately distorted the actual political and social relations between the U.S. and the Israeli regime.

The motivation for this distortion lies in the fact that the Soviet leaders not only wish to continue the global alliance they have with the U.S. against the People's Republic of China but also against any real revolutionary movement that would disturb the world status quo.

A Johnson-Kosygin Meeting?

However, because of the contradiction in which the Soviet leaders exist as usurpers of a revolution in a socialist country, they have a special mission at the UN. They hope they can somehow squeeze out a resolution from the General Assembly that can save face for them in the world revolutionary movement, while at the same time they work behind the scenes to solidify an agreement with the U.S. imperialists. That's the reason for all the maneuvering about a Johnson-Kosygin meeting.

The Johnson Administration is very much in favor of such a meeting to help cover U.S. imperialism's bloody role in the world. The question for Kosygin, of course, is whether too open and friendly a meeting might further damage the already shaky position of the revisionist leadership.

Finally it should be said — not only in the interest of revolutionary optimism, but of current objective political reality — that the military victory of imperialism and its agent over the Arabs is one thing. But the state of the Arab revolution is another. In spite of the military defeat, the masses have been galvanized with revolutionary fervor and determination.

Kosygin and his delegation hope to reduce this great new mass determination to the small coin of diplomatic bargaining to get some sort of concession and thus save their reactionary leadership from the wrath of the liberation movement throughout the world.

The Soviet leadership is a pillar of conservatism in world affairs, and a more effective and substantial one, because it has its roots in a socialist country. Any revolutionary movement and any revolutionary government that it cannot control is anathema to it.

This explains in part the tacit understanding between the U.S. imperialists and the Soviet revisionist clique.

However, this fact does not supersede the basic class antagonism between the USSR as a socialist country and the imperialist system. But it does whet the imperialist appetite for aggression and expansion to the detriment of the world liberation movement and the proletarian class struggle.

That is why the revisionist grouping in the USSR should be replaced with genuine revolutionary leaders.

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— Washington's Vietnam Crisis

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Monitor reporter relays the news that some intelligence officers said in April 1966 that a million outside troops were needed to win. Now, with their estimates of increased "Vietcong" forces, they say up to one and a half million outside troops are needed.

Compared to these figures, Ky's 600,000 thousand is but a modest first step in what could become an astronomical escalation that the U.S. ruling class cannot handle without the most drastic kind of change in policy.

First, the men are not available unless there is both the mobilization of reserves and an increase in the draft. Less than 200,000 combat ready reserves are now on hand for the Army and Marines together. Two divisions are tied down in South Korea where, hidden by the U.S. press, a huge student anti-government protest movement has resulted in the closing of 31 universities recently. Five divisions are in Europe. And all five Army and two Marine divisions in the U.S. are "earmarked" for emergencies in other world "danger spots" — or are being rebuilt after having had men taken out for the build-up in Vietnam.

To make matters worse for the ruling class U.S. News and World Report estimates that the increase to 700,000 men Vietnam would raise defense costs some \$11 billion and force something close to a war economy with tax increases, the threat of inflation, and extensive government controls.

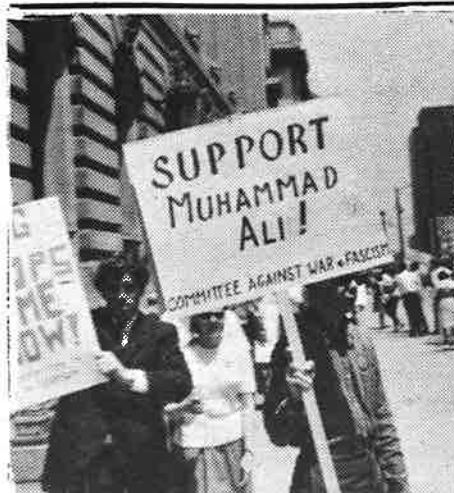
Actions such as mobilizing the reserves, increasing the draft, and instituting something close to a war economy would be, in effect, such a mighty jolt to American workers that the U.S. ruling class tacticians tremble at the possible repercussions.

U.S. workers, quiescent for nearly two decades are now already engaging in a fourteen year high of militant strikes as a result of the harder line of profit-hungry companies.

This shows that support for the ruling class is wearing thin already — and at least a part of the bourgeoisie is justifiably worried about the danger of workers' protest if the war is enlarged and the economic vise is tightened further.

Perhaps it is as a result of their awareness of this danger that an important section of the ruling class has come up with a fantastic, stopgap alternative, discussed in both Business Week and in U.S. News and World Report: a huge 40 mile modern version of cordon sanitaire across the northern part of South Vietnam.

Opposed by the military but a subject of top level discussions is this barrier, part of which would be a bulldozed strip nearly 6 miles wide, mined, and fenced and guarded by large numbers of troops, planes and heavy artillery. It might be accompanied by a cut down in bombing of the North and consequently the heavy loss of U.S. planes and pilots. But this scheme is only a further sign of desperation.



The frame-up trial of Muhammad Ali has begun. Above is Cleveland demonstration protesting Govt. attack on militant nationalist fighter.

Jury Refuses to Convict Youth Fighting Army Draft

NEW YORK, June 17 — A jury at the Brooklyn Federal Courthouse could not reach a verdict last night in the trial of John Prince, Jr., a young Afro-American charged with refusing to report for induction into the army.

The jury had been out since early afternoon. It reported at 10:00 p.m. that nine had voted for acquittal and three had voted against and that they could not reach a verdict. Presiding Judge Rosling set the new trial date for Monday June 19.

The jury's failure to convict Mr. Prince came as a stunning surprise. The trial had seen the presiding judge, in a crude display of bias toward the young defendant and his attorney, Conrad Lynn: refuse to accept evidence for the defense, lecture Attorney Lynn on his courtroom behavior, and do more prosecuting of the defendant than the District Attorney.

During the trial, Edward Oquendo, a supporter of Mr. Prince and an organizer of Blacks Against Negative Dying (BAND), was ejected from the

courtroom when applause for the defendant broke out.

Later, federal marshals attempted to bar Mr. Oquendo from entering the building where the courtroom was located. Mr. Oquendo voiced his right to enter the public building. When he attempted to enter, the chief marshal grabbed him, twisted his arm behind his back and, with the assistance of other marshals, forcibly took Mr. Oquendo to a room in the courthouse and locked him in. Friends and Lawyer Conrad Lynn demanded his release and in a reversal of the initial cop announcement that "You're under arrest!" Mr. Oquendo was released without charges. He returned to the courtroom.

The occurrence of a "hung jury" was, to our knowledge, the first instance where the rigged legal machinery of the capitalist state had failed to duly and automatically hand out punishment to a draftee who refused to report. It was another indication of the deepening anti-war feeling of the mass of American people.

stave off their own crisis. If they had tried such an act without the go-ahead from their masters in Washington, Ben-Gurion, Eshkol and Co. would have been stopped in their tracks by the imperialists.

Nevertheless, the internal crisis of the Israeli exploiting classes made them more than eager to go to war for Wall Street against the Arab revolution. Tel Aviv was thus able to create a war hysteria and demand unity of all the exploited Israelis so that Moshe Dayan could put into practice all the lessons patiently learned under the tutelage of Washington's genocidal high command in Vietnam.

June 10 Business Week reports a "heated struggle over U.S. military force levels is certain." But it predicts that more men will "probably" be sent to Vietnam. Westmoreland's 600,000 (as announced by his press agent Ky) will then probably be only one further step in the build-up in the war in which Army G-2's own cal-

culation finds nothing but prolonged struggle and which Marxists see bringing new and potentially revolutionary crises in the U.S. itself closer as the U.S. imperialist ruling class in its increasing desperation antagonizes and arouses the American workers to join the struggle against this common enemy of all mankind.



Through the Magnifying Glass

By John Moore

The old DC-4 propeller plane banked sharply and knifed down through a hole in the floor of the greyish, cotton-batten clouds below us and suddenly we could see the flat green checkerboard of sparsely settled farmland dotted with artificially made irrigation ponds filled with muddy water. Then, moments later, we landed smoothly at a lonely-looking airport with its one-horse terminal building the size of a bus stop eating place.

We were in Oklahoma, near Fort Sill, where an amazing bunch of cool, young GI's were fighting against the war from the inside of the military dinosaur itself. One of them, Pvt. Andrew Stapp, was to be tried, court-martialed, this morning.

The road to Fort Sill, to the court-martial, was lined with shabby honky-tonks that at night are neon lighted but now were exposed in the bright sun which had now come out clear and hot.

Then it all changed as we entered the Fort with its rows of permanent barracks. There were neat signs, olive drab tanks, green, well-tended lawns, an occasional GI at work on a detail moving garbage cans. It was the outward form that houses the U.S. war machine.

But that was not what struck us. Instead, the familiar military sights of barracks and military uniformity caused a flicker of nostalgic warmth as we forgot the cold hatred we had of the officer brass and "the army" and remembered the youthful comradeship of those with whom we lived and worked and drank and fought — and saw bleed and cry in pain in the hedgerows of Normandy and lie frozen in grotesque rigidity in the cold snow of the Ardennes.

That war, we believed then, was just, but we began to wonder what was wrong when, even before we were back from overseas, we heard the news about the peace-time draft law. We had been told that we were fighting against militarism and against militaristic countries which forced their young men to serve in the army — unlike "democratic" America. Now in barracks in France, waiting to come home, we angrily and helplessly heard of the high-powered propaganda which was selling the peace-time draft to the folks at home.

Yet, in spite of a bitterness over that, we came home believing that truth and right had won and the future was ours.

Our disillusionment came — slowly and bitterly.

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After the kangaroo trial at which Andy Stapp was found guilty, we met him and some of the other anti-war GI's.

These GI's were like our old comrades in some ways but they live in different times. They're a new generation. They have seen the U.S. take the place of the Nazis we thought we had destroyed.

It took us a decade of the Cold War to realize that we had fought to redive the world for Wall Street. They've already become aware that as soldiers they're tools of U.S. imperialism.

Andy Stapp, known to be against the war, was sent into the battery here at Fort Sill to be isolated. All the men were warned to stay away from him, not to associate or talk to this "anti-war-radical-troublemaker." We pictured him lying on his bunk while the others kept their distance from the stranger.

Then the talk, the discussion, started — nobody explained to us just how... a question, an answer, another question? But before long the talk got hot and the guys in the barracks and maybe from other barracks, as well, wanted to hear and crowded around to listen.

Things happened. Qualitative change. Revolutions occurred in individual minds. In spite of the weight of army pressure, several of the sharpest men in the battery began to openly join Andy Stapp's anti-war stand while many others sided with them silently.

Soon the activists were carrying the idea to everyone in small personal encounters: explaining, answering objections, persuading, and handing out reading material. The GI's began to read. They read things like "Johnny Got His Gun" and then they talked some more. The nucleus of GI's who broke through practically conducted a school against the war.

Military robotism, which is the basis for the army's ability to control the millions, was suddenly being shaken and the brass became frantic. There were threats, pressure was put on, attempts to isolate. Then Andy Stapp was put on the spot, brought to trial and convicted. But instead of frightening other GI's it is clear that the trial and the publicity surrounding it spread the sparks of protest far and wide.

That evening while the others talked, we walked down the honky-tonk strip with one of the GI's to get food for the group. As we walked we both tried to reach across the gap in generations — a real and big problem. The young soldier, who reminds me of myself twenty five years ago, told me some of how he broke through the wall of miseducation which surrounds us. As he tried to convey it in words, we felt again the really awesome power that the surging youth movement in the U.S. is gathering.

We have felt it in youths sitting on the floor of a jailhouse waiting room as they waited for an imprisoned comrade to be freed and were completely engrossed in discussions of battles that have been and how to fight now and tomorrow. We have seen it in picket line chants and in fights against fascist hecklers, and in long tedious work sessions that prepared for other actions. Now we see this youth movement on the outside has its counterpart in the army.

These anti-war GI's are a part of the group of new men, the brightest and best and the leaders of their generation. The army brass will do everything they can to isolate them, crush them to put out the fire. These are dangerous men — to the U.S. war machine. But no matter what the brass may do, the fire has been lighted in a smoldering bed of inflammable material. It cannot be put out.

— U.S.-Israeli Plot

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for the wavering Israeli body economic — one injection labeled "military buildup," to be followed by another labeled "military aggression." The "remedy" had desirable side effects which ameliorated other weaknesses of the body politic, inducing the exhilarating fever of nationalism and chauvinism, which, they hope, will minimize the chronic ailments of unemployment, and blunt the class struggle in Israel.

To be sure, the Israeli ruling class did not invade the Arab countries and precipitate a world crisis simply to