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# 2 Editorial: Anti - Strike Laws

## ACTION NEEDED NOT GESTURES

Behind the soft-soap patter, Wilson & Castles' crackdown on our trade union rights has all the hallmarks of Mussolini and Franco. The democratic rights our fathers and fore-fathers fought so bitterly for in spite of transportation, imprisonment, victimisation, lock-outs, being shot down, in spite of all these hardships and sacrifices, are now being whittled away by creeping fascism.

### Penalties

Under these anti-strike laws, the Minister of State at the Department of Employment and Productivity (that is Mrs. Castle) will be able to issue an order restraining strikes, ordering a return to work and preventing further industrial action for 28 days. She can then keep renewing the order.

This is just plain deprivation of the right to strike - one of the best weapons a working-man has in his protracted war with the boss.

Unofficial strikers will suffer financial penalties imposed by the Board set up by the Minister to run the anti-strike laws. The Board will be able to order the "attachment of earnings" for collection of these debts. That is, there'll be a straightforward deduction of the fine from our wages. This will be a very harsh measure - as most of us are only just making ends meet, if that, with rents and mortgage repayments, rising prices on food, clothes and fuel, hire purchase commitments on cookers, furniture and so on, a family to raise and care for.

### Why no campaign against Bronchitis ?

Castle and Wilson say they are out to prevent productivity and exports being lost through strikes etc. etc. They echo John Davies, Director General of the Confederation of British Industries (C.B.I.), which is known up North as the "Masters' Union". Recently Davies (at one of those

frequent employers' "luncheons") claimed that Britain was being "bled to death" by unofficial strikes. "Strike action", he said, "has become abusive to the extent that we can no longer tolerate it." This is a declaration of war on our trade union rights.

This attitude of the owners of industry - the 1% of the population who own 80% of all big business share capital - is what motivates Wilson, Castle and their collaborators to betray the millions of working people who voted a Labour government into office in 1964 because they thought it would represent their interests !

Five million workdays are "lost" a year because of strikes and lockouts. Yet 14 million are lost because of flu and 34 million are lost because of bronchitis. But bronchitis is a disease which could be largely eliminated by preventive measures directed against industrial and urban pollution of the air and cigarette smoking.

Is Mrs. Castle going to lead a campaign to outlaw this cause of wastage and suffering ?

### Profits Up

Of course what Wilson & Castle are doing is shackling the workforce so as to enable the owners to make bigger profits. In 1968 Productivity increased over 3% on 1967. Exports leapt up 20%. Prices spiralled. Interest rates on borrowed money hit an all time high. Unemployment was the highest since the Hungry Thirties. Wages were pegged.

Yet Lord Robens and the dead wood at the top of the owners' state monopolies got a £144 a week increase, profits grossed £4,000 million, increasing over 20% on the previous year, and thanks to dividend payouts, the rich 1% got an average 12% increase in unearned income.

Tremendous opposition is building up against the Castle-Wilson proposals. But the Labour government is determined to rush these neo-fascist measures into law as soon as possible.

## Forge Ahead

Wilson "threatens" to quit and force a General Election if the Labour movement doesn't submit. So what Mr. Wilson! What is there to choose between the Tories themselves and a so-called "Labour" government with Tory policies?

The Real Point

Wilson and Castle have betrayed the working people who voted them into office. But this underlies the real point. Any party holding government office in Westminster is bound to be a lickspittle bunch as long as real power - economic, owning power - remains in the hands of the bankers, tycoons, big landowners, aristocrats and city gentry, with the full weight of civil service, police, security services, broadcasting, press, church authorities and armed forces to back up their economic and owning power.

Various left-wingers and militants are calling for one-day stoppages and May Day strikes. This is all fine as far as it goes - and it does help to mobilise working people and demonstrate their feelings. But this kind of action is still only a gesture.

The basic owning and state power of the rich 1% is not going to be toppled by elections or shaken by a one-day strike gesture. What is needed is action which will put an end to the profiteering system itself.

We working people will only get a fair deal, that is workers' democracy when we actually hold economic and state power ourselves, as a class organised to rule ourselves in our own interests, when the social system will be geared to satisfying peoples' needs and not channelled into money making and selfish greed.

To get power we must be prepared to overcome the resistance of the owning class and their propaganda, police, security and armed forces.

What we need is not one day stoppages as gestures of anger, but a **GENERAL STRIKE WITH OCCUPATION** of all plants, factories, mines, depots, departments, offices and

The successful conclusion of the 9th Congress of the Chinese Communist Party in Peking recently, has consolidated the victory of Mao Tse Tung's revolutionary line over the bureaucratic, capitalist line of ex-head of state Lin Shao Chih.

The Proletarian Cultural Revolution launched by Mao and Lin Piao has thus purged the Party, government and armed forces of the leading careerists who were using their authority to create a privileged position for themselves in China.

This has been shattered by encouraging the millions of ordinary working people in town and country to speak up and take action to prevent a new class of mandarins climbing onto their backs. By trusting the good sense and revolutionary practicalness of the people, Mao and his comrades in the Party have managed to destroy an opponent whom the western "experts" expected to win.

Mao loves, respects and trusts the ordinary people.



Mao Tse Tung

places of work as part of the **GENERAL UNFOLDING MOBILISATION** of working people for the **SEIZURE OF STATE AND ECONOMIC POWER.**

The answer to "In Place of Strife" is **WORKERS' POWER.**

# Ford: The Facts

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When they get a job at Fords, the workers used to be handed a document 'The Blue Book' Agreements and conditions of employment. Hourly paid employees, which had to be signed for.

The 1955 Agreement was mainly concerned with procedural matters for resolving disputes between employers and labour force and the 1967 Agreement was concerned with the practical matters such as hours and rates etc.

## 1955 Agreement

Under the 1955 Agreement the important clauses were Clause 1 which stated that at each stage of the procedure, the parties agreed that every attempt would be made to resolve issues raised and that until this had been carried out 'there shall be no

stoppage of work or other unconstitutional action' Under Clause 2 the National Joint Negotiating Committee was set up.

## 1967 Agreement

Under the 1967 Agreement the important Clauses are Clause 21 which deals with the observance of existing Agreements and regulations and elimination of lost time and Clause 25 states that all negotiations should take place through the N.J.N.C.

All Unions have only one vote, regardless of size, and also regardless whether employed on the production line and whether skilled.

## THE LATEST TROUBLE

Events can be set out as follows:

January 17th 1969 - Fords submitted proposals for alteration of 1967 Agreement.

February 3rd - Proposals considered by N.J.N.C.

February 10th - Fords submitted amended proposals

February 11th - N.J.N.C. vote by 7:5 to accept proposals

February 12th - J. Conway wrote to Fords accepting proposals

February 11th - Notice of acceptance of 'negotiations of new package agreements' was put up around the Fords plant.

February 18th - Fords handed to J. Conway details of the new Agreement including the penalty clauses. This did not appear in the February 11th proposals and stated 'if a dispute shall still exist when the procedure has been exhausted the trade unions individually or collectively will take place before taking any industrial action giving a minimum of 21 days notice in writing to the Company' This the 19 Unions were supposed to sign.

February 19th - J. Conway informed Fords that this could not be accepted.

February 21st - Halewood (Liverpool) workers came out on strike. The strike was solid.

February 26th - A.E.F. made strike official followed by T. & G.W.U. - being compelled to underwrite what the shop floor workers had decided must be done.

March 6th - Fords attempt to prove that these Agreements were legally binding and to obtain injunctions against the Union failed in the High Court, and after taking note of the Donovan Commission of 1965/68 and the industrial Relation Handbook of 1961, Mr. Justice Lane decided that these agreements were not legally binding as the parties did not intend to make a legally binding contract, and if both parties did not intend to make a legally binding contract, then there would be no contract.

March 19/20th - Ford workers return to work - Ford having lost over £40 mn. and the workers £3 mn in wages.

## WHAT FORD'S OWNERS WANTED

What were the Ford Management trying to get across? They thought that they could eliminate shop stewards and isolate them both from the shop floor and the N.J.N.C.

They gave them 'offices' with telephones. The Union Executives are already out of touch with the shop floor, and therefore when a wage increase was offered along with several penalty clauses such as 21 days notice of strike, lay off pay paid only if nonconstitutional action, and a terminal date of July 1st 1970, the Union top brass accepted.

#### WORKERS ACT

But the workers of Fords showed the Unions and the Management that when workers act in a united and resolute way the owners and their agents are helpless. What use is all their machinery and money if there's no one to do the work. The Yankee owners of Fords threatened to close down their British plants and move to the continent, but what firm can afford to withdraw  $\frac{3}{8}$ th of their total investment? Fords with all their empire could not.

The N.J.N.C. had again managed to get the workers back with a New Agreement which gives  $7\frac{1}{2}\%$  to 10% wage rise, without the 21 day notice of strike clause, and a lay off fund, into which

the workers must pay 10s per week, and out of which they would receive lay off pay at  $\frac{2}{3}$  their basic wage and holiday pay of up to a maximum of £35. per week. But the workers still want parity with the British-Leyland (B.M.C.) workers.

#### 51st STATE

American Imperialism invested in Britain, because it realised that huge profits could be made out of the British workers. They invested sums in Britain - not to help us but to make our country a colony of the U.S.A.

Yankee big business has £4,000. million invested in Britain, as much as in the whole of the rest of Europe, making profits  $1\frac{1}{2}$  times as big as those of British owned firms here.

It's time this daylight robbery was stopped. We've got to demand an end to Yankee penetration of Britain. We've got to get up off our knees, nationalise all Yankee concerns to ensure that what we made and do in plants, offices, depots and factories in this country is for the benefit of ordinary people in this country and not for pot-bellied Yankee layabouts in New York, Detroit, Washington and Cleveland.

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# Centrepoint

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by a local resident

I've lived in St. Giles High Street all my life. I was an infant there, now I am a married man there. I would like to tell you how it was up to six years ago and how it is now.

## Community Life

In the past there were many shops, dairies, butchers, greengrocers, clothes shops, sweet shops, restaurants, pubs. In fact, it was a village in itself. The people living in the flats, who wanted to go shopping, could go out in their slippers, if they wished, whether to buy meat for their dinner or a pair of stockings as they could get it in the street.

## Empty Office Block

Now it is a dead street, because of so-called "capitalist progress". Three-quarters of the street was pulled down and in its place a huge block of offices and luxury flats was erected. Many people would say, "well it was a cruel necessity", to destroy this wonderful street and replace it by something more modern. But would they still say it if they knew that one of the largest office blocks in London, 32 stories high, is in its third year of completion still empty.

The following is an extract from the "Evening Standard":-

"Centrepoint has just been rated at £317,000 gross. With Camden's new rate of 13s. in the pound, this means a rate bill of £264,138, or - while the building remains empty - half that sum. It will be payable from the beginning of this month.

It has been said that Centre Point, at the Oxford Street-Tottenham Court Road crossing is being deliberately kept empty in a calculated bid to cash in on the rising office rents in Central London. But

Oliver Marriott, author of a book on London's property boom believes that Mr. Harry Hyams Centre Point's publicity-shy millionaire owner, needs a tenant soon.

## Rising rent

Since it was first built, Centre Point's rent has probably risen from about £3.10s. to £5 per square foot - the result of the Government's ban on new office development in Central London. With the normal office lease running for seven years, Marriott argues that even if rents double over that period an owner begins to lose money once his building has been empty longer than three years.

In the deal Harry Hyams clinched with the L.C.C. for the development of St. Giles's Circus, he gave them land worth around £1,500,000 for road improvement in return for high density planning permission for Centre Point and a 150-year fixed lease of only £18,500 per year.

Now that Mr. Hyams has begun to pay rates on his prestigious building, the signs are that so capable a business man will not be long in looking for his investment returns.

His agents tell me that they are looking for a single client for the whole building but have no one on their books at present."

## An Affront to the Homeless

No loaf of bread can be bought from it, it shelters nobody, to this day. How does a family, five minutes walk from it who are living in complete poverty and those that are homeless feel about it? They are bitter. But this system of incompetence and greed, which is carried out by property tycoons who are not interested in the social needs of the people, who only think of the biggest margin of profit, can never end until the people take power and build and plan for the needs of ordinary people.

# Powellite Attack On Overseas Doctors Flops

by our medical correspondent

The recent racist attack on the professional competence of overseas doctors working in British hospitals has collapsed like some inflated puff ball. This latest exercise in Powellite slander was part of a systematic campaign by the Tory establishment to foment racialism and communal strife in this country.

One of the strongest arguments against racial discrimination accepted by the vast majority of people as unanswerable has been the fact that the British hospital service would collapse if all overseas junior doctors and other hospital staff withdrew (or were withdrawn). The Powellites hoped by their slanderous attack on black doctors to destroy this widely accepted opinion, and to undermine the trust that millions of British patients have in their coloured doctors.

The racist attack was also timed to cause a disturbance just prior to the public findings of the McKinsey report on the N.H.S. and so try and make black doctors a scapegoat for the many deficiencies in the service.

## PUBLIC REACTION

The racist smears of such pompous self-important blimps as Dickson-Wright elicited the expected brays of fundamental agreement from such bastions of private practice, privilege and jingoism as the B.M.A. This organisation has never had

the interests of junior doctors at heart at any time, let alone foreign junior doctors.

The Medical Practitioners Union ("M.P.U."), which represents general and hospital practitioners and is affiliated to the T.U.C. came out against the racist remarks - as did a number of junior doctors quite spontaneously.

As Dr. Sidney Greaves, M.P.U. General Secretary, pointed out in an excellent article in "Medical World" in March, the

B.M.A. itself was largely responsible for the manpower crisis in the N.H.S. In 1957, the B.M.A. advised the Willnick Committee

of the government to cut the national production of doctors by 10%. A disastrous piece of advice which was duly acted on.

However the B.M.A. refused to push for the improvement of junior doctors pay and working conditions for decades, until the recent public outcry which led to some amelioration of the situation. But as Dr. Greaves points out:

"Much was not changed, however, and the persistence of Victorian, regimentation of the lives of hospital residents, together with excessive hours of duty, inadequate opportunities for study and research, poor career prospects and miserable pay, all combined to keep dissatisfaction at a high level. These are the factors which have led to the large-scale emigration of junior hospital doctors and the development of the acute manpower crisis which threatens the service today.

Powerful vested interests with more than half an eye on the rewards of lucrative private practice, have frustrated the efficient development of the N.H.S., particularly as it concerns the consultant establishment and the career prospects of junior hospital grades. It is therefore particularly unwelcome when representatives of the 'establishment' within the profession pontificate upon the shortcomings of the Service"

## HOLDING THE SERVICE TOGETHER

Dr. Greaves was particularly clear on the racist attacks on coloured doctors.

"Recent criticism of doctors from overseas have, however, been particularly unjust, as they have ignored the sound professional standards of the majority of these doctors and the overriding responsibility of consultants for the care of all patients in their departments. (our emphasis. Ed)

Junior hospital posts are intended to be training appointments and the onus must rest on the consultants to ensure that those whom he appoints are suitably qualified for the duties which will be demanded of them. It is also his

responsibility to provide the guidance and training which every junior hospital doctor requires in anew appointment.

That the system is grossly overloaded and is on the point of breaking down at the present time is most certainly not the fault of the very large numbers of overseas doctors who are helping to hold the service together, and they should not be made the scapegoats for the failures of others."

#### NEGLECT

Dr. Greaves put his finger on the real problem. That far too many consultant doctors are using the N.H.S. as a springboard for diving into private practice. They are primarily concerned with money-making instead of with serving their patients. As a result they neglect the N.H.S.

and leave their junior staff to get on with it.

This is coupled with administrative neglect and gross incompetence emanating from the Ministry and permeating every Regional Group and Hospital Board. As the McKinsey Report pointed out - a pinch-penny attitude to necessary expenditure is coupled with equipment which medical, nursing, technical and other staff could tell them is no good.

#### GLARING DEFICIENCIES

It is only because of dedicated hard work by many medical, nursing technical and other workers, in almost impossible conditions, that the standard of treatment and care is tolerable.

There is no need to bring in American experts to diagnose the sickness of the N.H.S. Any N.H.S. worker can cite a host of examples of administrative waste, of ineptitude, of glaring examples of deficient services. As an example in West London there is a large, well known hospital where the Gynaecology theatres are situated several hundred yards from the wards. Patients have to be trundled through the open air backwards and forwards. When it's raining porters carry umbrellas! When it snows, the trolleys can't be used, so the porters carry the patients to and fro on stretchers!

#### FINAL WORD

The big Powellite campaign, aided and abetted by the press, to bring coloured doctors into disrepute finally fell flat because it completely failed to mislead the public. They had their own experiences to go on, of treatment by overseas doctors and nurses, and they haven't been moved by the prejudiced ravings of Harris, Dickson Wright and crew. Anyone from Cardiff to Barnsley, from Barrow to Gateshead, who's had his infected appendix successfully removed in the middle of the night by a Pakistani surgical registrar is not going to heed such slander. The parents of the little child who had the 'kiss of life' treatment and cardiac massage three times in onenight by an Indian doctor, who must then attend to his ward, out-patient and other duties during the following day, are hardly going to join the lunatic Powellites.

In fact as a number of people remarked to this correspondent, they much prefer overseas doctors to the indigenous kind, because of their more dedicated and more approachable character. Too many white doctors put on airs and behave like gods.

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#### HARINGEY

The Haringey Tory Council which cracked down on the Hornsey students last year has added to its reactionary record.

Acting on the racist, bigoted slander that coloured people are "less intelligent" than white, it has proposed setting a quota for the number of coloured children in each school in the borough. It is claimed that schools with a majority of immigrant children will have poorer academic standards than predominantly white ones. Using this junk the Haringey council pursues a racist education policy. The parents and a number of teachers of Haringey, led by militant Caribbean people, are developing an intense protest movement against this nastiness. The "Workers' Broadsheet" fully supports their campaign.



# The Darlington Story

by Quaker

Darlington is an ordinary northern town. Famous as a railway centre, George Stephenson's "Locomotion No. 1" stands proudly preserved on the main line station. It's a town of heavy engineering and textiles yet also a farming and market centre. A pleasant town of friendly, unpretentious, hard-working people.

## Railway Closures

Some years back, when the Tories formed the government, it was decided to close the locomotive works in Darlington, as part of the expensive blunder of going from steam to diesel-electric traction on British Rail. A lot of skilled engineers were thrown out of work. There were protests and demonstrations organised by Norman Temple. But the works stayed closed and Temple had to find a job outside the town.

The Tories despatched Lord Hailsham (now answering to Quintin Hogg - but the same bombastic fool) on a "fact-finding tour" of the North-East as a substitute to tackling the unemployment question. Hailsham indulged in the foolish gimmick of wearing a flat cap as he met the railway fitters on the High Row. His patronising gesture met with the anger it deserved. "You can't pull that cap over our eyes" was the cry from the crowd.

## Cummins move in

But to the "rescue" came the Yankee firm "Chrysler Cummins" making diesel engines. A brand new factory was built on the edge of the town - the quality Sunday press lauded its modern design. The mayor and corporation and local press were effusive in their gratitude to the Yanks for 'providing' employment! The workmen soon found that it was tough going working for the Yanks. They are learning too that they are cheap labour compared with Cummins employees elsewhere. Moreover the Yankees are not going to toler-

ate Unions, working men's rights or anything else getting in the way of extracting the maximum profit possible and reducing the worker to being merely an appendage of the machine he operates.

## Royalty visits the Yanks

But the Yankees who came to Darlington expect continuous red carpet treatment. They wanted new housing for their U.S. top executives - so the Labour council obligingly handed them the Havelock-Allen green space left as a park to the people of Darlington and not previously open for building! The Yankees gave the mayor a Chrysler car. To the delight of everyone it keeps breaking down. Nevertheless, when H.M. Elizabeth and her consort visited Darlington, the mayor eagerly introduced the Yankee colonisers to them while ignoring the English firms - a masterly piece of tactlessness, which did little to endear the Queen and her man to local businessmen.

## E.N.V. Struggle

But other U.S. firms are following Cummins into Darlington and already R.C.A. (gramophone records) has moved in, while on nearby Aycliffe Trading Estate, Union Carbide and E.N.V. (Eton, Yale & Towne) have installed themselves. Many Londoners will remember the struggle some 2-3 years ago at E.N.V. in Willesden when the Yankee owners smashed the militant shop stewards movement at E.N.V. by closure of the works. This was obviously facilitated by the fact that the E.N.V. bosses could transfer work to their Axle Division plant in the North-East.

## Hard-headed realists

So Yankee firms are making use of government featherbedding in grants and tax concessions to invest (invade) towns like Darlington in the North-East. Why? To provide employment? Yankee businessmen are not

Sisters of Charity - they are hard-headed realists out to make as big a profit as possible.

Darlingtonians are beginning to be apprehensive at this Yankee takeover. In the coming months this will develop into protest and demands for nationalisation of these Yankee concerns.

### McMullen Road

But let no one think this is simple anti-Americanism. This does the working people of Darlington less than justice. One night during the last war a young North American pilot nursed a flak-damaged bomber back towards base. If he baled out and left the bomber it would crash on sleeping families in Darlington. He stayed with the plane and guided it so that it crashed beyond the

town in the fields near the old Salters' Lane, not far from where Cummins now have their factory.

The families were safe but the young man sacrificed his life. The road near the site of the crash has been renamed McMullen Road, after this young American who died serving the people. It is a bus terminus now and every day the double-deckers go through the market place among the crowds with "McMullen Road" on their signboards as a constant reminder of what internationalism means in practice.

The people of Darlington want Americans as brothers and friends not as masters.

Darlington is an ordinary northern town. Its people are friendly, unpretentious and hard-working. It is typical of provincial England.

## L.S.E.

The victimisation of Robin Blackburn and Nick Bateson by the Board of Governors of L.S.E. will only stir up greater opposition to the establishments' dictatorship in the L.S.E.

These two L.S.E. lecturers who have been arbitrarily sacked, supported the students in their campaign for freedom against the White Rhodesian academic thug, Adams, when he tried to suppress the right to free assembly with iron grids.

This hatchet man was appointed as director of the L.S.E. by Lord Robbins and the governing body of bankers and city gentry, who have now sat in judgement on the rebel lecturers. How impartial! But their schemes are backfiring as they only manage to stir up greater opposition to their rule.

Modern students are coming to the healthy, sane, human conclusion that they do not want to be graduate fodder for the greedy, seedy world of big business, banking and advertising.

## Police Attacks

The police acting on behalf of the Establishments present 'Labour' Government are getting tough with political agitators. There were the strong-arm tactics during the Barbican and Roberts Arundel (Stockport) strikes when pickets were beaten up.

Eddie Davoren, now in prison, is a leading militant student who was arrested at the Rhodesia House Demonstration in January, beaten up in the full view of fellow demonstrators then charged with assaulting a policeman.

## Tony Sinaris

But the most vicious police attacks have been against black militants protesting against the Powellite actions of the present government.

Tony Soares Sinaris was convicted of incitement to riot and was given a fantastic two year gaol sentence. The reason is crystal clear. Cde. Sinaris is a leading Black Marxist-Leninist, who has shown great ability in organising and mobilising his people in the fight against racial oppression. This was his 'crime' in the eyes of the establishment.

# News From Workers Committees

## Brent

A new leaflet has been produced by the Brent comrades which is being circulated at factory gates and house to house in Willesden and Wembley.

The leaflet points out that with factory closures caused by the Wilson squeeze, Brent is becoming a depressed area. 10,000 people have been affected by the closures.

At the same time rents and rates go up as well as mortgage repayments. The ratepayers of Brent are forking out £3. million a year in interest alone on borrowed money to the city, out of a total budget of £25 million. Meanwhile profits have amounted to over £4,000 mn. for the past year, an increase of 22.5% over last year. 1% of the population owns over 80% of all share capital in this country.

The leaflet also points out that government policies are encouraging U.S. takeover of this country and enumerates the host of U.S. firms operating in North West London. It calls for nationalisation of them, pointing out that Wilson Heath and the rich layabouts they represent won't stand up to the Yankee tycoons and bankers. In the end it's up to us, the millions of ordinary workers to take power in this country - power to build and run the sort of country we want and need.

## Camden

The Camden militants are planning and preparing to open a creche to help working mothers in the Camden Town area. The Camden comrades point out the exploited position of women in Britain today. Not only are women receiving lower wages for the same work in much of industry but they are also prevented from acquiring skills and taking on responsibilities by the active discrimination of employers and institutions of various kinds.

There are 8½ million women at

compelled to work, so that the family can earn enough to keep its head above water with rents fuel and food costs so high.

Nowadays there are many innovations which if exploited fully and socially could allow women greater participation in productive work of all kinds, eg. laundrettes drip dry fabrics, vacuum cleaners and so on. But there is also a crying need for NURSERY FACILITIES.

During the last war when women were needed for munitions and engineering work, the government provided more than 1,500 day nurseries. By 1962 there were only 467. Of 2,160,000 children in the 2/4 year age group, only 237,500 attend nursery schools or classes at the present time.

Many thousands of children are being left with unlicensed and untrained child-minders. The mothers must work and are desperate. Their biggest need is for creches where they work or where they live. It is the duty of Marxist-Leninists to serve the people. We must give urgent and careful attention to helping women begin solving this problem. Where employers and authorities refuse to act, working women must organise to develop their own services, to be self-reliant. Anyone wishing to help in Camden should contact A. Hewlett, 54G, St. Giles High Street, W.C.2.

## Defence Committees

Since the decisive intervention by the Easton Defence Cttee in the Goodge Street /Gower Street area, Pakistani Workers Union are holding Welfare Meetings on Sunday afternoons in Gower Street to help the Pakistani people with their various problems.

In East London repeated acts of violence have taken place against Pakistani factory workers. Local white thugs have been implicated.

The P.W.U. has already begun organising the 10,000 Pakistani workers in this area of London and the W.P.P.E. is helping in organising our Pakistani brothers to defend themselves and stop these attacks.

## G.L.C. Tenants

At a recent meeting of G.L.C. tenants Committee it was agreed that should the G.L.C. take any of the October rent rebels to court as it has threatened, then a rent strike of all G.L.C. tenants would be organised.

This is a positive development which all progressive tenants - council private, or mortgagees - should support.

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# International News

## Pakistan

In August 1968 'Workers Broadsheet' published an article on East Pakistan which pointed out that the subjugation of this Eastern province to Punjabi-dominated West Pakistan was leading to revolt in the East. The Bengali people of East Pakistan had been lumped with West Pakistan at the time of partition because most of them were Muslims. East Bengal became a colony of West Pakistan under the domination of a few rich feudal families from the Punjab. During the military dictatorship of Ayub Khan, this process of colonisation got worse.

### COLONY STATUS

East Bengal earns over 80% of all the foreign exchange of Pakistan as a whole from the export of jute, tea, hides etc. But over 80% of all development capital is spent in West Pakistan on hydro-electric schemes, irrigation projects etc. while East Bengal is allowed to become an economic and technical backwater. Over 90% of all military and governmental personal were of WEST Pakistani origin although Bengalis account for 55 million of the total 100 million population of all Pakistan.

### NAXALBARI

Meanwhile in West Bengal, in India, there has been continuous trouble as the people protest in Calcutta and the countryside against the oppressive and corrupt Congress Regime, which

has resulted in unemployment disease, famine and incredible poverty, while the ruling elite live in stupendous luxury and waste.

Then in North Bengal the peasants rose at Naxalbari and seized land from absentee landowners, redistributed the land and began to use it to feed their families, and to protect it against the police and soldiers sent to quell them.

Naxalbari has become an inspiration to all the oppressed masses of

the entire sub-continent.

### AUTONOMY

The dissatisfaction of the workers peasants, students and middle classes in East Bengal with the Ayub military clique began to

grow into a movement for autonomy.

Ayub responded last year by arresting Mujibur Rahman and his associates 'the moderate' leaders pressing for autonomy, on a framed charges of treason.

Other working class Bengali leaders, like Mani Singh, were already jailed.

But Ayub's repressive measures only served to unite the whole Bengali people against him and his rule. It also stimulated the minority groups of West Pakistan to protest at Punjabi domination.

### REBELLION

The students, peasants and workers rebelled, eliminating Ayub's fascist set-up of local dictators known as 'basic democrats' initiating land reforms, battling with and defeating the police in the streets. The movement spread to the West, leading to Ayub's capitulation and forced resignation, and the

Yaya Khan has set up martial law and is trying to salvage something for the ruling elite. But nothing can stop East Bengal attaining autonomy. Moreover there can be little doubt that this will stimulate a secessionist movement in West Bengal and the eventual establishment of an independent Bengali Republic. When this occurs, it will be 'Red Bengal', for the Bengali people have a proud revolutionary history which is reaching new heights.

## Anguilla

Anguilla is a tiny Caribbean island of 30 square miles with a population of 6,000 people.

After 100 years of slavery, domination and exploitation by British big business, Anguillians had a new form of colonialism thrust upon them, labelled 'associated state status with Britain'. It was lumped with St. Kitts & Nevis for the purposes of internal rule while Britain retained 'the right' to look after foreign affairs and defence!

### PEOPLES POWER

The Anguillian people objected to this whole set up and to the rule of Bradshaw, Britain's local man put in charge of the area. The Anguillians chased Bradshaw's police off the island and for two years looked after themselves without any 'help' from outside. Approaches by U.S. gangster elements, Greek shipping magnates and others to use the island for a base for money-making were flatly rejected by the Anguillians. There were no reports of gangsterism, riots, criminal behaviour or anything else.

In January 1969 Anguillians voted 1,739 for, to 4 votes against becoming an independent Republic. Mr. Webster was duly elected President. This is democracy isn't it? But from this time onwards, because of the POLITICAL LESSON which is pointed to all Caribbean and other colonial peoples, Anguilla could not be tolerated by the British (and American), establishment

### GUN BOAT DIPLOMACY

Wilson & Co., who are so anxious not to invade 'Rhodesia', that is Zimbabwe, where 200,000 white settlers keep 4,500,000 Zimbabwe people in fascist subjection, quickly resorted to classic 'gun boat diplomacy' to end the people's seizure of power in Anguilla.

This reveals clearly the racist considerations behind such discrimination. Kith and Kin rebel, and are negotiated with.

Black people rebel and are subjugated by force. Powell and Sandys talk racialism; Wilson & Stewart act it.

It is the duty of all British people who oppose the imperialism of the British establishment and its government to show in practice that Wilson is not acting in the name of the British people, but only for the greedy, corrupt, racist, ruling class. Verbal denunciation and demonstration is no longer enough. Mobilisation of the working people in revolutionary action to counter gun boat diplomacy is needed. We must increase our efforts to develop this work urgently. This is what 'solidarity' means. It is deeds not words.

**HANDS OFF ANGUILLA!**

**BRING ALL TROOPS, POLICE AND OFFICIALS HOME.**

**FREEDOM FOR ANGUILLIAN PEOPLE!**

## Palestine

BYWORKERS BROADSHEET'S OWN CORRESPONDENT RECENTLY RETURNED

As the plane was touching down at Amman airport I could see this was no ordinary airport. The runways were flanked with anti aircraft guns. This was an airport at war; an airport only a few minutes flying time from the front.

The first thing that I received while going through the customs was a leaflet, put out by the British Embassy, for people with British passports, telling them what to do in case of an attack on Amman. This makes it quite a bit different to arriving at Heathrow, Kennedy or Orly airports.

#### VISIT TO A REFUGEE CAMP

I got to the hotel without trouble, where I met my friend. He had spent many years in the Arab lands and spoke fluent Arabic. He had made arrangements for us to go to one of the camps where we could meet Al Fatah representatives and talk to Palestinian refugees.

The next morning we went to one of the refugee camps just outside of Amman. When I arrived at the camp I was shocked at what I saw. When we in England think of tents

our minds straightaway think of boy scouts or camping holiday and such pleasant things. But there is nothing pleasant about the tents in these camps. In some tents designed to take only two people, there are up to eight people living and lots of the tents have been ripped and torn by the winds.

I dearly wished that all Zionists and their supporters could come and see what they had done and what they were supporting. If only they could see those gentle farmers who only wanted to farm their lands, the lands of their fathers and their fathers before them, in peace. Well these farmers are no longer going to be gentle with the Zionist aggressors. They have grasped a new plough - the gun!

#### THE PEOPLES SPIRIT

The conditions in the refugee camps were terrible but the spirit of the people was wonderful - absolutely different to the material conditions. Every Palestinian has a cause to live and fight for - his homeland. Everyone from the smallest schoolchild to the oldest veteran will do everything and anything in their power to get their homeland back.

I spoke to many people hearing their stories of how they had been kicked out of their homeland - some even twice or three times.

#### ISRAELI LOOTING

The first man I spoke to had been kicked out of his home for the first time. We'll call him 'Q'.

Q was now living in a tent, meant to accommodate two adults only, yet there was him, his wife and six children. Three of them were toddlers and the other three were in their teens. He told me how after the June war, when the fighting had ceased, Israeli soldiers came to his village. They broke into the only shop in the village, and looted everything they could before leaving. Then came armed Zionist civilians who broke into the Palestinian people's homes. They stole transistor radios, jewellery, valuables, etc. A week later the Israeli soldiers came back, hustled everybody out of their homes and into coaches. The people were then driven to the Allenby Bridge with the sound of their village being blown up, ringing in their ears. Q and his family were

refugees for the first time.

#### TRAINING COLLEGE SACKED

The next person I spoke to was a young woman, L-, who had been resident at a training college. The fighting had finished in her town, when armed Israeli soldiers and civilians came and looted shops and houses. Six days later the soldiers arrived at the training college. They put all teachers and students aboard buses and dumped them by the Allenby bridge. I later heard from fellow townsmen that the college had been blown up by the Israelis.

#### AL FATAH

I heard similar stories from literally, scores of refugees dumped on the Allenby bridge. The young member of Al Fatah, Abu, who took me round the camps had been a refugee twice. He spoke perfect English and told me that the first time he had been able to see some close relatives for many years was after the June war when they had all been made

refugees. Otherwise Palestinians are unable to visit relations in Zionist occupied lands, although

they might be living only a few miles away.

The people of Palestine, who have lost their homeland, and the right to see their loved ones and live in peace, have only one road open to them. - that of armed revolution, which is being led by Al Fatah. 20 years of negotiating, pleading and waiting on the United Nations to act has been a painful lesson. The Zionists have used armed violence to seize more Arab land on three separate occasions during this time. The Zionists have left no alternative.

I had an inspiring meeting with some of the leaders of Al Fatah.

The first thing that struck me was that they were all young all bi-lingual, so clear in their ideas and so articulate. Everyone made it crystal clear that they had no hatred for Jewish people - only for Zionism and the fascists who used it. The Palestinian liberation fighters wanted a

Palestine where Jew and Arab could live fraternally in peace, free from Zionist oppression and from oppression or interference by foreign powers.

Al Fatah is swamped by applications from young people anxious to join. The whole Palestinian people are actively supporting them. Everyone giving what money he or she can. Old women will weave cloth and make clothes for the guerilla fighters. Parents will offer their sons and daughters as fighters

The people are aroused and eager to fight for liberation. Their spirit is indomitable. They will surely destroy Zionism. My visit to Palestine has convinced me of this.

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## Ireland

The election of Bernadette Devlin as M.P. for Mid-Ulster where there was a 91% turnout of the electorate, is a striking rejection of the Paisleyite policies of the O'Neill government.

The Civil Rights movement in Ulster has united Catholic and Protestant in a mass campaign against the English stooges in the Stormont. Miss Devlin has vowed that she will come to Westminster to use it as a platform for the movement.

There can be no doubt that the movements for democracy and workers emancipation in Ulster and Southern Ireland will eventually combine in a struggle for a united, independent, socialist Ireland.

The electoral success of Miss Devlin has sparked off further demonstrations for civil rights in Londonderry and elsewhere. The provocative attacks of the police on the demonstrators has been met with resistance and has led to guerilla actions on government buildings.

After over 40 years of police-state rule the downtrodden northern Irish are beginning to claim their rights. United, mobilised, organised, determined, no force on earth can halt their advance. This is symbolised by the Bogside Defence Committee of vigilantes who prevent the Paisleyite policemen from entering their locality to subdue the people.

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# Burmese Revolutionary Assassinated

Burma is at present ruled by the military dictatorship of the Ne Win group. Posing as "socialists" this bunch of fascists have "nationalised" many of the country's assets, that is, they live in wealth and stupendous luxury while the great majority of the people - poor peasants and town workers - are sunk in abject poverty. The countryside is saddled with feudal landlordism and the towns are crowded with the jobless poor.

## Collaboration with U.S. and West Germany

The Ne Win clique are working in close collaboration with U.S. and W. German big business to "develop" the country's economy. These same "free world" powers are arming Ne Win against the people. The Soviet Union too is pouring in aid and armaments.

But Ne Win is faced with a crisis which looms as large as that in Thailand or East Pakistan. There are over 30 different nationalities in Burma ruled by the jackboot of the Ne Win group. Armed fighting has broken out over the whole country as the national minorities and the peasants have revolted against Ne Win's corrupt and oppressive regime.

## Life of Armed Struggle

This revolt has been led and developed in extent and depth by the Communist Party of Burma. The greatest single leader of this struggle has been THAKIN THAN TUN, a veteran guerilla fighter. He was prominent in the 1938 revolt against the British Raj. Then he had a heroic role in the armed resistance to Japanese occupation. Following "independence", the Ne Win group seized power and

civil war has been raging since 1948. Thakin Than Tun has played a major role in developing the liberation struggle.

## Assassination

Now large rural "base areas" have been established under worker and peasant rule. The liberation fight of the national minorities has been linked up in a common front with the peasant and workers' struggle.

Thakin Than Tun was recently assassinated by one of Ne Win's agents as part of the latest offensive against the liberation movement by the Burmese fascist regime.

This has only stimulated the Liberation Front and Communist Party to step up their fight against the Ne Win group, who now have their backs to the wall. Every time the Ne Win troops raze a village, massacre peasants, rape women, torture children and assassinate leaders, they simply stir up more people to armed and protracted revolt. There is only one solution.

## Final Victory

The Burmese people will only obtain a people's democratic federal republic through a revolution.

This is what Thakin Than Tun taught, fought for and died for. It is through men like him that oppressed mankind will finally win through to a world of peoples' democracy, brotherhood and socialism. But there will be difficulties. As Thakin Than Tun said himself "Victory and Difficulty are twin brothers; the greater the victory, the graver the difficulties."



# Che Guevara

## Revolutionary or Adventurer ?

Few leaders have received so much attention from the capitalist press as Che Guevara. The Cultural Revolution in China will undoubtedly rival both the October Revolution and the Chinese 1949 revolution in its profound historical importance. Yet Mao and the Cultural Revolution are almost ignored in the press. If they are mentioned, they are vilified and distorted to a fantastic degree. Not so Che Guevara. He receives lengthy and sympathetic treatment in the Sunday papers; he has been built up into a hero.

Why? In my view, the reason is that the ruling class instinctively feels safe with regard to Che and his ideas. An attempt is made below to set out why this is so, why in fact Guevara is a poor guide for revolutionaries. Just because he fell fighting U.S. imperialism is no reason why he should be sacrosanct and above criticism.

Comrade Fidel Castro, in his introduction printed in the Cape edition of the "Bolivian Diaries" says: "it could well be that many so-called revolutionaries, opportunists and imposters of every sort, Communists and a variety of other names, would also prefer the diary to remain unknown". So far as the Marxist-Leninists are concerned, the publication of the "Diary" can only be welcomed, as one can learn much from it -- often by negative example. It provides abundant evidence of the inadequacies of Guevara's ideology. Whether he would have corrected these ideas if he had lived, we do not know. But since the diaries have been published without revision, it is politically necessary to subject them to criticism.

### COMPLETE ISOLATION

First of all, one must acknowledge Che's honesty, which is apparent on every page, and his courage; and we can see plainly from the book his hatred for U.S. imperialism and his burning desire to do something about the misery of the masses in Latin America. The book

also shows that he wanted to make contact with the peasants, but it also shows with candour that he utterly failed to do so. Without guides and local support, they are continually losing their way: (Page numbers are from the edition published by the Bertrand Russell Peace Foundation). "...the isolation continues to be complete" (p.113). "...our peasant base is still not being formed, although it seems that through planned terror we can neutralize most of them; support will come later", (p.113). "...we continue to feel the lack of peasant incorporation. It is a vicious circle: to obtain this incorporation we need to carry out permanent action in populated territory, and to do this we need more men" (p.111) and so on.

Mao says: "Communists must never separate themselves from the majority of the people or neglect them by leading only a few progressive contingents in an isolated and rash advance, but must take care to forge close links between the progressive elements and the broad masses. This is what is meant by thinking in terms of the majority."

### DETAINING THE PEASANTS

Guevara's isolation is hardly surprising. To begin with, his group went into Bolivia and the vast majority of them were not even Bolivians! Granted the importance of Latin American unity; but is this how the peasants would view it? To quote Guevara "The plans are: to wait for the rest of the men, to increase the number of Bolivians to at least 20, and to begin operations" (p.33). On page 62 he says "Now is when the actual guerilla period begins; we shall test the troops and time will tell the results and what the perspectives of the Bolivian revolution are.... the incorporation of Bolivian combatants was what took the longest to accomplish". They often have to avoid people or to take them prisoner because of the fear of informers: "we stayed all day in the place, detaining the peasants

who came in both directions and thereby obtaining a varied mixture of prisoners". (P.105). Two farm hands who were working there had to be detained because they were walking towards us". (p.125).

#### SERVE THE PEOPLE

For an account of the relations between the Chinese Red Army and the people, when adequate political preparations had been made, read "The Great Turning Point" (p.81) \*

\* See also "The Scalpel, the Sword", a life of Dr. Norman Bethune, p.223.

"Chairman Mao and the other leaders all rose early on the morning of August 1. Knowing that we were leaving, the local people came in groups of four or five to see us off. The courtyard was quickly jammed full. Lan-lan, a young girl who had made some shoes for the Chairman, pushed her way up to him through the crowd and said 'I want to go with you!' then burst into tears.

'Lan-lan', the Chairman said with a smile, 'you haven't left your mother yet and you're already crying. If you go with us and cry, your mother won't be around to comfort you!' His jesting made Lan-lan laugh. The Chairman waved his hand in greeting to the local people. 'Old neighbours', he called, 'we've lived here for more than forty days. We've given you a lot of trouble!'

'You comrades helped us till the land', said the local people, 'it's you who've had the trouble!'

"The people swarmed around, shaking hands and holding on to our clothes, and could not stop saying how sorry they were to see us go. There were so many people and so many voices, it was hard to hear clearly what was being said. Vice-Chairman Chou stepped up on a rock and said in a loud voice:

'Old neighbours, you also know that the enemy may come this way. When we leave, you must bury and conceal everything and get ready to move! Don't let the enemy get hold of a single grain! Starve them to death! Pin them down! The day of the total destruction of the enemy isn't far off!'

#### "I" NOT "WE"

Of course, conditions are very different in Bolivia now to those in China in 1948. But the principles still hold good; protect the people, merge with the masses, serve the people. Guevara's Diary is itself the best refutation of the much-vaunted theory of "foci". It shows the futility of sending in a small group of armed men (especially when the majority of them are not even natives of the country where they are operating) into an area where no proper political preparation has been made. This group then naively expects to get support because of military activities the object of which is apparently weapons and "recruits". True, Che does give lectures to his peasant "prisoners" whom he then releases. But one gets a strong sense that the military activities are not aimed at helping the local people with their own immediate struggles. One feels the population is regarded as of possible future benefit to the army rather than the reverse. To quote Mao: "The revolutionary war is a war of the masses; it can be waged only by mobilising the masses and relying on them".

The most striking aspect of the "Diaries" from a revolutionary viewpoint, is the absence of political ideology, or rather, the presence of bourgeois ideology. This is shown in many ways. The actual relationships in this "National Liberation Army of Bolivia" of a few dozen men, as described by Guevara, are not the relationships of the collective. One gets a distinct sense of the leader with his own private army. It is always "I rebuked him", "I decided", "I announced" — not "we". There is seldom any mention of collective discussion and decision. Guevara despises "polemics" (i.e. conscious political study and understanding). This is what he told some new recruits, who had broken with a Marxist-Leninist organisation to join the Guerrillas: "I put forth my conditions to Guevara \* " (note the 'my'): "group dissolution, no ranks for anybody, no political organisation yet, and the necessity to avoid polemics about national and international discrepancies". (p.59). His attitude to the revisionist Bolivian Communist party is not

political, but personal. There is nothing about carrying on an ideological struggle against revisionism in Latin America. When the Bolivian C.P. betrays him, he feels it as a personal betrayal because he fails to see it politically. ( Moises Guevara)

And as for the international struggle against revisionism, Guevara has no time for it: "And the guilt also applies to those who maintain a war of abuse and snares -- started quite some time ago by the representatives of the two greatest powers of the socialist camp". (Message to the Tri-continental, April 16 1967). His response to some attacks on the idea of armed struggle published in Hungary, is to say: "How I would like to take power, if only to unmask cowards and lackeys of every kind and to rub their noses in their own dirty tricks" (p.183-4). He is exceedingly bitter about their behaviour, because he does not see it in political terms; note the "I", in "I would like to get to power". Not "we", let alone "when the workers and peasants get to power".

There are numerous other examples of Guevara's mental attitude in the book, which is that of a remarkably courageous, honest, tenacious -- liberal. Where the "leader" is a man of good character like Che, the result is merely pathetic; but without ideology, without a party serving the masses, there is greater danger than ever that such movements will end up in the hands of unprincipled careerists.

Che Guevara writes well. He writes with genuine feeling and without jargon -- and without politics. This is why his books are so beguiling. It is a challenge to all Marxist-Leninists to write simply and without fuss. A good style is fine -- but only if it serves true ideas. In the service of woolly thinking, liberal idealism, personal glory, it is of no use to the oppressed. Guevara's ideas cannot help the poor of Latin America; they can only lead to defeat and pessimism. The ruling class is well aware of this.

The main reason for the cult of Guevara by the capitalist press is to prevent people reading Mao Tse-Tung. We must patiently persuade our friends to begin reading Mao. It is tremendously rewarding. By all means let people read "Reminiscences of the Cuban Revolutionary War", but follow it with "Investigation into the Peasant movement in Hunan". By all means read Che's "Bolivian Diary", but follow it with Mao's "On Liberalism", "In memory of Norman Bethune" and "On the correct handling of contradictions among the people". As we know only too well, the struggle against revisionism in our own minds is a long and arduous task, the struggle for a true collective in the revolutionary movement, for a Marxist-Leninist party, is a lengthy one. Bourgeois ideology will inevitably affect the revolutionary movement itself: the important thing is to be aware of it and to struggle against it in a principled and systematic way. Without a Marxist-Leninist party this cannot be done.

The theory of starting with a band of armed men loyal to a leader, and then later trying to form a party from this military nucleus, is all wrong. It is of course a reaction to the betrayal of revisionist Communist Parties. They have betrayed the revolution: so the argument of our romantics is "scrap parties: start fighting, and then we can see about politics". But the answer to incorrect political work is not to abandon political work; the answer is to turn revisionist politics into revolutionary politics, build a party that really serves the masses. Since such a party will represent the interests of the masses, it is essential that the army be subordinate to such a party. The alternative will only lead to failure or to the betrayal of the revolution. As Mao says "Our principle is that the Party commands the gun, and the gun must never be allowed to command the Party".

In this book, Guevara refers to the campaign as "this new adventure". Marxists cannot regard him as a reliable guide to revolution.

# MICHAEL McCREERY

April 10th, 1969, was the fourth anniversary of the tragic death of Michael McCreery from cancer at the age of 36.

It was Michael's analysis of the political and social situation in Britain and the world generally which became developed as the Programme of the W.P.P.E.

## Background

Michael was born into a bourgeois, military family and was educated at Eton and Christ Church, Oxford, the places where the establishment trains its youth. Michael also served in Military Intelligence and was trained in security and police methods.

The more he got to know of the British establishment and its top people, the more he hated it all. He came to realise that the British ruling class had amassed its immense wealth by pillaging India and Africa, from the slave trade and by cruel exploitation of the working people of these islands. Even today the big international monopolies operating from London are the money behind apartheid South Africa and the feudal sneiks of the oil lands of the Arabian Gulf.

## Revolution

It is most significant that McCreery with his inside knowledge of the establishment clearly realised that socialism - a society based on the principle "from each according to his ability; to each according to his needs" - could only be brought into being by smashing the greedy rich establishment in a revolution. Only the ordinary working people, organised, mobilised and guided by their own political party could make this revolution.

## Appeal to all Communists

Michael had joined the British Communist Party in the fifties but quickly came to realise that the King St. leadership were careerists and professional officials with no intention of helping the working class make a revolution or of even adequately helping the workers fight.

Michael quickly clashed with the leadership and began to build up an opposition within the party, together with Johnny James and Ken Houlison.

## International Dispute

About this time the dispute between Mao's revolutionary line and Khrushchev's pro-western line came into conflict - a conflict which rent the socialist camp and the world communist parties in two.

In Britain, Michael and other comrades, stood against the British Communist Party's support for the new Tsars of the Kremlin and they called on all militants to work together to build a new revolutionary party for the working class. Michael, Johnny, Ken and many other comrades were expelled from the C.P.G.B. They began the long hard work of rebuilding a new Party for the working class and rethinking the programme, policies and methods of work of such a party.

## Revolutionary Leader

Unfortunately, Michael died in the early stages of the development of the new Party. This was a terrible set back.

Nevertheless, he left for us, his ideas, his analysis and his example of patient hard work, modesty, and a willingness to talk and work with all honest militants.

In Scotland the Workers Party of Scotland has been formed and is putting into effect Michael's analysis in that country.

In England the W. P. P. E. is developing its work, with its programme based on Michael's analysis.

Michael also played an active part in helping the national liberation movements in South Africa (Azania) and the Caribbean in a true internationalist spirit.

Long live the memory of Michael McCreery ! Revolutionary Leader - a great English Marxist-Leninist