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WHOOPS!

In the last issue of Organise! the South African working class sub- stituted itself for the leaders of Militant in the photo on p.6. This was the fault of our printers, who overlooked the right side of the photo face up on the layout. After they unmailed their heads they asked us what the problem was. As far as I can see, nothing was allowed to print this issue. We feel, however, that the article on children was a discuss- ion of the South African War. For this reason, please be patient and let us produce Organise! in a way that will reflect the needs of the movement.

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Italian 

We are read- ing "Socialism equals soviets plus electrification" (Lenin)

Labouring Under Illusions

The SOCIALIST WORKERS Party has in many ways been one of the success stories of British Trotskyism. It alone has been able to put "Industrials" in the "red" columns of the Party. In the collapse of the Stalinist parties the Institute of Marxian studies outside the Labour Party, boasting a present editorial board of over 30, it is fashionable in an- archist circles to state that the collapse of Stalinism is bound to bring down Trotskyism with it. Obviously the crisis within the Communist Parties has a knock-on effect on the Trotskyist groups, but in the short term they hope to distance themselves from Stalinism, and fill the space left by the Stalinist Parties. Hope is high within the SWP that they can effectively do this. So it is a major task for the next issue to publish articles which would help to keep the struggle alive and automatical- ly take the place of a discredited ideology.

The Socialist Workers Party has cleverly sweetened the pill of Trotskyism, with its references to British syndicalism, the Industrial Workers of the World, and a pseudo-liber- tarian rhetoric that talks about the importance of workers' councils, and democratic- ally controlled organisation. It was able to cut the bridges from under British anarchism in the late '60s and early '70s. Many people, disgusted with the chronic disorganisation and confusion in the Russia and Eastern Eu-

CLIQUE

Yet the Socialist Workers Party has consistently been under the dominance of the leadership clique around Tony Cliff. This leadership clique has strengthened itself through marriage and family connections. Promising new comrades were set up their own political stall with some aspects of the National Front; Greens; ANC; pits; trade unionists; and the Labour left, be- hind the Stalinists, Christian pacifists and social demons.

NEWS AND ANALYSIS

In a recent SWP pamphlet by Duncan Blackie, Socialism and the Labour Party: A Dream Betrayed, it is stated that the Labour Party is the "party of the trade union leaders", and gives details of how previous Labour govern- ments have attacked the working class. The SWP is very good at criticising the Labour Party, but in practice when the chips are down always calls for a vote for Labour as it will double at the next election.

In fact, another luminary of the SWP, Dr David Howard in an article in The Guardian (14.12.91) stated that "I am emphatically for a Labor victory in the next election". He went on to say that "it is no longer had "a party represen- ting its interests", but that "it is supporting the direction the Labour Party is going". As if the Labour Party does not repre- sent the interests of the working class. Despite saying that "As a working class party it is obvious that revolutionaries are best advised to set up their own optical political independent of the Labour Party", in practice he has poured a small corner of the Labour stall can be reserved for the SWP.

Failed

Recently the SWP put out a new pamphlet putting out "socialist alternative" and using the Labour Party as an opportunistic and devious move to pull those disillusioned with some aspects of the Labour Party into the SWP's leader-

For such a vote did not itself create illusions! The SWP is fostering illusions in parlia- ment and the Labour Party. Even after seven Labour govern- ments this century, all of them thoroughly out of work, the SWP still cling on, content to have a few electoral victories. It is obvious that revolutionaries are best advised to set up their own political political and set up their own political independent of the Labour Party, in practice he has poured a small corner of the Labour stall can be reserved for the SWP.

Who do we want to join the ACF?

Organise! 21: Gulf war; Trotsky: "Socialism means democracy" (Lenin); 20: Hong Kong; 19: Poll tax and police violence; 18: Eastern Europe; Greens; ANC; pits; trade unionists; and the Labour left, behind the Stalinists, Christian pacifists and social demons.
Any Labour Equals Real Fascism

Despite our victory in forcing the abolition of the poll tax many battles remain in the struggle towards a better society. Labour and Tory, are still sending out the bailiffs/sheriffs and threatening non-payment with imprisonment in order to recover money from the petit-bourgeois. This enforcement may continue long after Spring 1993. In the struggle against bailiffs/sheriffs and jailings that are the daily life of millions remains. We do not make calls on the government to change its policies, instead we fight to create an amnesty in practice. It will be when we make the enforcement procedures unworkable, and only then, that the state will recognise an amnesty.

That means we organise to defend ourselves and non-payers from the bailiffs/sheriffs. In reality this has meant looking after the people of their rights and telling them that what they are doing is fine. If their recovery is usually done by the fear of what might happen there is no point in fighting. But the main task has been to keep people informed of what is going on, and how to try to defend themselves. The Eastern European bailiffs/sheriffs cannot legally break in. So if you keep the door shut they can’t get in. Bailiff busting is on the whole less exciting than we anticipated. The bailiffs/sheriffs do manage to get in and seize goods. These are the times when a big angry crowd is needed to prevent the warrant sale or auction taking place. The Eastern European couple of such incidents recently in Glasgow when a 200-strong crowd prevented a warrant sale by blocking the building where it was to have taken place. As with the demoli tions of Spring 1990 the repressive side of the state those who take part in active resistance. For the first time this century someone has recently been sent to prison for two months for the crime of “defacement”. It is an ancient law that relates to the obstruction of a sheriff in the course of his duties.

Labour’s Agenda

The collapse of the eastern bloc has exposed the contradiction between the triumph of western capitalism has proved to be a double edged sword for the working class. The economic might of the USA and Germany have en vironmental destruction, social inequality, and levels of unemployment. The eastern working class is a brake upon the new capitalism gold-seam of exploitation. Whilst the Tories would prefer to eradicate the benefits of the welfare state, to divide and rule. The ideology, to increase protection of the means of production, the sheriffs can break in, but they have to give four days written notice. In practice this means that you either give in or you are there ready to prevent entry, or you can move valuations out of the house for the day.

Two petrol bombs were thrown at the Poll Tax HQ of Cambridge City Council.

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anything more than that. For example, a workplace campaign to defend the jobs and services threatened by poll tax cuts. This is something we can fight for now while still arguing that only a revolution bringing communism can bring us the level of services we would like. We must be supported, inspired and controlled by us.

In the community we are fighting for more than just against poll tax debts. Against bailiffs whatever debt they are trying to collect. Against imprisonment and a court system that confines and oppresses us in order to keep the ruling class and the capitalists in power. We see the grassroots community campaign against the poll tax and its enforcement as an example of working class action against this shitty system. As committed activists we are staying with this struggle, for both short term results and for building a longer-term, generalised, political consciousness. In the short term, we are defending ourselves, our friends and our neighbours from the threats and harassment from the council and their bailiff lackeys. In the long term we want a movement that goes further and gives us control of our own streets, workplaces and lives. That many activists have dropped out of the campaign is a sign of both tiredness and political confusion. (Or in the case of the Tract, they have moved on to new campaigns to recruit from.) Part of that confusion stems from a failure to see the goal of the campaign as more than just strikes.

We don't just want the cakes we want the bakeries as well...
vices would have to be distributed equitably. In other words some rationing system would have to be introduced which took into account the special needs of, say, children. The existence of rationing in no sense implies recourse to the market, quite the contrary. It does not require the measure required until material abundance is achieved. It does not require the redistribution of resources. The unit of measurement here is money. Within anarchist communism, whatever the political and exploitative systems may be, the product of human work will always be measured, not in money, but in the amount of labour time (on average) embodied in it. Where, and to what extent, the division of resources in society is rationalised, the division of labour between productive units is completed, and the input of a labour hour into a number of workplaces, then the number of workers that are involved will be fused to a total. This is more true for the work of rubber-gate, per finished unit will be high. Simpler products will be measured in less social average labour hours since they involve less output.

Less

Since the efficiency of one workplace might be higher than another on a macro level the unit of accounting will have to be the social average hour of labour to take into account the shortfall in some workplaces compared to the relative efficiency of the more productive ones. For instance, the labour hours involved in transporting raw materials to a production facility, which leads to the actual output would be shorter than those taken to transport the same to a plant that will take longer to be averaged out, and on the surface, it would seem that the worker who spent the longer would be losing out and the worker who worked less would be gaining.

In the period preceding product abundance a fixed "ration" would give equal access to all. This "ration" would be measured in units of the social average hour of labour. Like a telephone card is used, the units could be deducted electronically as goods are taken from the common store.

Technique

As technique develops, including the widespread automation of the production process, the social average number of labour hours required to fulfil expectation and reduce risk will permit the reduction of the working week and will allow for the greater extension of leisure. It will be possible to extend holidays which extend the quality of life. More and more resources can be channelled into education, health, leisure, in fact all those areas of life which contribute to human and social well-being. Many of these do not economically contribute to society in a direct way and must be supported out of wealth creation, as the material basis of wealth advances. Post-communist workers/producers— we would hope— will decide that the socially average labour hour that is exploited, having been eradicated would not be a problem for a decrease in working hours, providing, of course, the requirements of society were at the level of production and consumption.

Of course, workers would demand an increase in the social average hour of labour. This non-monetary unit of accounting works as follows.

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1492 and Beyond

IN SPAIN AND THE USA, but not in Latin America, there will be celebrations this year to mark the so-called discovery of the Americas by Christopher Columbus. That "discovery" was to be a total disaster for the native populations in the Western hemisphere from the Arctic to the Antarctic. Columbus' "discovery" has been subject to quite a lot of examination over the last couple of decades, and several new studies have been published. We can now assert that every aspect of the "rediscovery", and especially the claim that "discovery" was to be a total disaster for the native Americans, is false. Apart from the fact that the Americas were populated perhaps 20,000 years before Columbus arrived, there is plenty of archaeological evidence which shows that the Portuguese may have sailed to the Caribbean islands in the immediate period before Columbus' arrival.

The often told tale that fifteenth century Europeans thought that the world was flat is also nonsense. That the earth is a globe was known from the time of the ancient Greeks. Encyclopaedias (275-194 BC) even managed to measure the earth's circumference.

The idea that Columbus was a noble and upright explorer is also nonsense. He was small-minded, vindictive and above all consumed by greed. He wrote in his log that the Arawaks "would make fine servants... with fifty men we could subjugate them all and make them do whatever we want". From the very start Columbus set the pattern for future centuries' gold fever, accompanied by genocide. For an excellent account of the real Columbus see: Columbus. His Enterprise by Hans Koning (Latin American Bureau, 4.99).

Booty

The driving force for Spain was the possibility of gaining booty. As later travellers followed Columbus, they discovered gold in huge quantities. So much gold and silver as to make it seem that it caused severe inflation. The native populations certainly valued gold and silver as a precious metal, but not in the way that they were prized in Europe. Once the colonists had exhausted the readily available gold, they discovered that the indigenous populations by setting them to work to mine the precious metal.

The Spaniards destroyed the native people's cultures, civilizations, values, resources and way of life. It is estimated that there had been unknown in the Americas, but under the Spaniards the traditional way of life was destroyed on enlarged family groups were destroyed. In their place the Spaniards imposed the Spanish model. The year that Columbus arrived in America was the year that Jews were expelled from Spain, and in fact the effect of the expansion of the Spanish Empire was financed with wealth robbed from them.

The effect of Spanish conquest was catastrophic for the native Americans. The unbelievable sadism and racism of the conquerors led to the depopulation of whole areas. According to one source, the native population of Mexico fell from 25 million on the eve of Conquest in 1519 to 1.9 million by 1800. In the thirty years following the arrival of the Spanish, the Araucanas were subjugated to the Andean peoples. The Incas, the Mayas and the Aztecs were all destroyed or extirpated.

In Peru there was a series of uprisings against the Spaniards aimed at restoring the pre-Conquest system. Under leaders who traced their legitimacy to the Inca royal family there were revolts in the 1530s, 1560s and subsequent centuries. Part of the success of Sendoro Luminoso was the insurrectionary peasant success that will bring about the end of Spain's imperialism.

De Las Casas was to advocate the replacement of native American forced labour by African slave labour. But even years after Columbus arrived in the Caribbean the first African slaves were brought to America. As many as 100 million Africans were enslaved by slave traders, and the African hunters and horticulturalists of West Africa were decimated and its economy shattered. De Las Casas saw the effects of slavery on Africans had not been envisaged by the conquerors. This article has focused on the relationships between the Spanish conquerors and the native peoples, and that the conquest was not complete. It should not be assumed that the Anglo-Saxon colonizers have brought about the annihilation of the Native American peoples. It has been more than that the people who are the last people in this country had spread and a particular culture had grown up around it. So in 1964 a new law was introduced to control the use of certain drugs, the Dangerous Drugs Act. This was extended in 1968 so that the hallucinogens, such as mescaline and LSD, and also cannabis, morphine, heroin and others were made illegal.

Modern Trade

The international drug trade has become a cause celebrefor the past 30 years. In the USA, Britain, and Latin America, Colombia, Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador and Brazil are all exporters of coca, which is derived from the locally growing coca plant. The leaves of the plant itself have been used for centuries, both by the Arawaks and by the Spanish and their native American forced laborers. The USA has spearheaded the fight against cocaine traffic through its Drug Enforcement Agency. While George Bush looks to spend $10.6 billion on drugs he ignores the reasons for the continued trade, let alone the involvement of certain US officials in the trade itself.

By privatizing local economies, US capital has left the field clear for such a trade. When there is no other way of earning a living, what are people to do? There are huge profits to be made—it costs around $1500 to produce 1kg of cocaine, which will fetch around $17000 on the American street. Hence the phrase, the "coca capitalism".

With such profits to be made and being illegal, those who are the beneficiaries are not likely to be your average run of the mill shopkeeper. All of us have heard of the Medellin Cartel, the Colombian cocaine company. The profits from the trade in cocaine have financed large armies of well armed and trained guerillas. Because of the nature of the business and having such firepower it was only a question of time before such "businessmen" started to deal in drugs. The bribing of government officials has been par for the course in South America. In the case of the Cartel they had such power that they could buy and sell the whole country. When officials didn't play ball, they would simply have them shot. Only recently has this situation changed a little. Change in the international drug trade doesn't change countries like the USA do not allow it to change. The USA effectively controls, through its "war on drugs", the world price of cocaine, via medicine, not to mention its influence on the world prices of commodities. They see no problem in keeping the prices of primary goods, raw materials, textiles and a wide variety of crops, very low. Under capitalism there is no incentive to change. Indeed the economies of the cocaine countries would in all likelihood collapse and hundreds of thousands starve if, indeed, cocaine ceased to be an export commodity. Western governments are content with the situation as it is. The poor are trapped between the proverbial rock and a hard place. On one hand they are forced into the only viable economic outlet—drugs for the cultivation or transport. Thus they are criminalised for their poverty. On the other hand they have the bars of poverty behind them armed to the teeth and controlling a whole puppet show of corrupt officials and politicians.

The trade in drugs, particularly hard drugs, is reactionary. It is a trap which capitalism and the state use with real skill. The victims are always ordinary working people, the poor and the desperate. It is no use looking to decriminalise drugs because that would have one effect only—it would make the situation worse. There are huge profits to be made—anybody who goes into the drug business makes a fortune. The trade in drugs is a cause celebre in the past 30 years. It is a cause celebre in the past 30 years. It is a cause celebre...
The Cordillera is a vast mountain range located in the northern part of the Philippines. It is richly endowed with natural resources coveted by multinational mining companies such as Berger Corp and now CRA, the Australian subsidiary of Rio Tinto Zinc. In mineral resources alone the Cordillera supplies 70% of the Philippines' gold, 46% of its silver, 82% of its zinc, and 21% of its copper.

The Cordillera is claimed as ancestral domain by some 1 million indigenous peoples commonly called the "Igrotos" who have lived in the area since pre-colonial times. Their cultural identity and survival as a distinct people is rooted in the Cordillera and they see themselves as the steward for others and owners of the region. The land is placed in their care by their ancestors to pass on to future generations whose survival will depend on it. Since the days of the Spanish Conquistadores, the Igorrot people totally denied their rights and attempted to maintain their culture in the face of colonial domination of the Philippines. Today the struggle is against foreign multinational working in hand with the Philippine government.

Some 80% of the Philippines has been declared public (i.e. meaning State), making it a national asset and one over which the government has no control. This systematic grabbing of ancestral lands combined with state repression in the form of militarisation has enabled mining multinationals to exploit the region at the expense of the Igorrot's social, economic and cultural needs, and wreaking irreversible environmental damage.

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the interests of the working class be it a Leninist "Workers' State", democratic post State Communist (Eastern Europe) or a "popular" government riding to power on the deposition of a dictator. Governments are part of the ruling class, the elite whose power and wealth is built on oppressing and exploiting the workers. Aquino "opposed" Marcos and the American State because it enabled her to "flee" to power and give power to the state-power over the working class. A whole variety of forces are combining to tell us that the future could look rosier, this alliance being the "progressives" within the bosses and the unions and sections of the political parties. Outside of this there are those who are trying to use us to their own ends; the political forces of traditional unions, businesses protected by economic barriers and the politicians connected to each. Unfortunately for British capital it has been suffering rather a lot recently. We are going through a recession. The economy has been contracting by about 2.3% per year. This means that jobs are lost wholesale and wages are lost as working hours are lost. The places being hit are not the old vulnerable areas of the North, Midlands, Wales and Scotland but the rich South East, thought to be invulnerable. The bosses and government are hoping that all of this is going to change, I don't think it will that much.

Hope

One big hope is that the new trade freedoms of the single market will give a big push to the very successful. It is hoped that some of the damaging competition from US and Japanese multinationals will be excluded, leaving the field free for European industries. In the regions bosses are believing the propaganda about that they are likely to get a better change in the new Europe. All that is likely to happen in a further concentration of capital in the richest areas of the central core of the EEC - Britain, Belgium, France and Germany. The other areas will be used as sources of cheap, mobile and trained or untrained labour.

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**Dear Organise!**

With the worrying rise of fascism and racist attacks on the continent, it’s time that anarchists really made a stand and fought the root cause of the problem — the bigotry of racism and sexism. People are allowed to grow unhindered by communities to fight violence with violence, the only language Nazis understand. Socialism lives, there is no longer a visible alternative to Nazism. Trotskyist groups are fighting for their dying, everywhere Trotskyism has any role to play in the struggle. Anarchists are socialists, we exist. In order to be effective in our struggle against the left as well as liberation.

**FASCISM**

The word "fascism" is derived from Italian fascio, meaning "bundle" or "sheaf." It was originally used to describe a political movement in Italy that emerged in the early 20th century. The movement was characterized by its support for strong central government, authoritarian leadership, and a focus on national and cultural identity. Fascism was known for its anti-communist and anti-semitic policies, and it played a significant role in the rise of totalitarian regimes in Europe. The word "fascism" is now used more generally to refer to any political ideology that emphasizes nationalism, authoritarianism, and the suppression of opposition. 

**Socialism or Barbarism**

Socialism, as a political and economic system, is based on the idea of collective ownership and control of the means of production. Socialism aims to eliminate class distinctions and promote equality and social justice. It is an alternative to capitalism, which is based on private ownership and the pursuit of profit. Socialism is considered to be a more equitable and sustainable system, as it seeks to distribute resources more fairly and address the needs of society as a whole. Socialism is often contrasted with capitalism, which is based on the accumulation of wealth and the pursuit of individual gain. 

**Hunted**

Castoriadis was born in 1922 in Athens, Greece, into a middle-class family. He studied philosophy at the University of Athens and later moved to Paris, France, where he continued his studies and became involved in the French left-wing political movement. Castoriadis was a member of the Anarchist Communist Federation (FAV) and was active in various political organizations, including the Trotskyist group. He was arrested and imprisoned several times for his political activities and spent a significant amount of time in jail. Castoriadis was a prolific writer and his ideas have had a significant impact on the development of post-structuralism and deconstruction. 

**ACF History**

One of the most important anarchist organizations in the UK is the Anarchist Communist Federation (ACF). The ACF was founded in 1973 and is a political and social movement that aims to build a world free from all forms of oppression. The ACF is made up of a network of local groups and is not hierarchical, allowing for a decentralized structure. The ACF is open to anyone who supports its principles of freedom, equality, and solidarity. The ACF engages in a variety of activities, including direct action, social work, and education. The ACF aims to challenge capitalism and create a world where people are free to live as they choose, without oppression and exploitation. 

**NEW EDITIONS OF CLASSICAL WORKS**

The ACF is pleased to announce the release of a new edition of "Socialism or Barbarism," a classic work by Cornelius Castoriadis. This new edition includes an updated introduction and commentary, making it more accessible to a wider audience. The ACF is committed to making anarchist literature available to all and to making the ideas of Castoriadis accessible to a new generation of readers. The ACF believes that Castoriadis's ideas are more relevant than ever, and this new edition is a step towards making his ideas accessible to a broader audience.