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It's All Talk-Talk And No Action As Jobless Millions Still Increase!

Lumumba Murder Sets Off Explosion in Nigeria

By Abrahaim James
(Our Nigerian Correspondent)

Lagos, Nigeria — Many Nigerian youths were clubbed by the police in Lagos recently, during demonstrations at the American and Belgian embassies protesting the brutal murder of Prime Minister Patrice Lumumba, by NATO.

The demonstrations had been peaceful until the demonstrators nearly reached the American embassy, when a British police officer, Mr. Wilson, ordered tear gas to disperse the demonstrators. The police then started to club them. Several of the youths were arrested and many of those injured were hospitalized.

Meanwhile, one of the three main political parties in Nigeria, the National Council of Nigeria and the Cameroons (NCNC), has taken up the matter of this police brutality—lead by the British officer Wilson.

They are asking the Federal Government to investigate why these youths were beaten and are demanding the punishment of Wilson. The NCNC also recalled that it was this same Mr. Wilson who ordered tear gas to be used against students sometime ago during the demonstration against that obnoxious Anglo-Nigerian Defense Pact in Lagos, which led to the arrest and trial of six of the students. (See W.W., Dec. 9, 1960—ed.)

After the uproar which followed the demonstrations protesting the murder of Mr. Lumumba, many buildings be-

longing to British, American and Belgian agents were damaged. These demonstrations continued for weeks throughout the Federation of Nigeria.

Several speakers who addressed a mass meeting in Ibadan, capital of West-

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Afro-American Workers Hit Hardest by Layoffs As Capitalist Crisis Deepens

The U.S. government officially admits there are 5.7 million workers unemployed in this land of so-called "opportunity," "free enterprise" and "democracy." This is the highest amount for any time in 20 years.

Of this number, 250,000 have been added since John F. Kennedy assumed office as President of the United States.

Kennedy campaigned on a promise to "do something" about unemployment. About all he has done so far is to argue with the Republicans about whether there is a depression or not. Fat-headed liberals may compliment Kennedy for recognizing the *existence* of unemploy-

ment, but the unemployed themselves are still waiting to go to work.

When Kennedy sent his "bold" program for the unemployed to Congress last month, the conservative, Republican *New York Herald Tribune* breathed a sigh of relief at the "moderation" of the program and said:

"It is clear that Kennedy will not rush in where bankers fear to tread."

Two weeks ago, the cautious, right-wing National Urban League made a survey which revealed that unemployment among Afro-American workers in 12 of the country's largest cities is *three times the general rate.*

The *New York Times* noted last week that *even if "prosperity" returns later this year, unemployment may continue for a time on the same level!* The AFL-CIO warned that unemployment may climb to an official 8 million if no serious action is taken.

The millionaire President, after all his talk about the growth gap, the economic lag, etc., etc., has not taken—nor even *proposed*—one single step for alleviating the *chronic* unemployment that is growing more apparent every year.

The billionaires' Congress is buzzing and droning on about giving a few cents here and a few cents there. It will talk, talk, talk. But it will never really DO anything without the action of the aroused millions, and the threat of their taking things into their own hands.

These are the Cubans Wall St. wants you to fight!



Young agricultural students volunteer for labor on Cuban farms.

Prominent Newspaperwoman Says—

Build Defense Guards and Fight Back!

(On February 27, a brave woman made a stirring call to action in behalf of the oppressed. She is Pat Alexander, Editor of the *Los Angeles Herald-Dispatch*.

Her militant speech, printed in part below, deserves the careful attention of every friend of Black Liberation. We are indeed sorry that lack of space prevents our publishing it in full.—ed.)

The question of self-defense for Afro-Americans who have been victimized both by racial violence in the South and Police Brutality throughout northern cities have been uppermost in my mind for several years . . .

However, . . . concrete evidence that others were thinking along the same line came to my attention, on December 1, 1960, when Dr. Lonnie Cross, speaking at Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia, raised the question forcibly and intelligently.



Mrs. Alexander

Dr. Cross, a professor of Mathematics, and the Dean of that department of Atlanta University, had this to say in part:

"The recent events in our southland indicate that the Afro-American movement for liberation from economic, political, social, cultural humiliation and degradation is on the verge of a tremendous leap forward."

"The events," he said, "of Jacksonville and New Orleans underscore this in particular, for they clearly show that the rank and file of our people are not yet victims of the 'Non-violence and love' narcotic." Here, he was referring to the "turn the other cheek" and-love-the-man-who-is-lynching-your-brothers psychology, preached and spread by Dr. Martin Luther King.

Dr. Cross continues by saying, "These same events have also raised in sharper form the crucial questions of tactics and strategy, and of course the proper leadership for Afro-Americans." . . .

Dr. Cross, of course, was dealing with the problem of violent attacks directed against our people in the South—via Mob Violence. While I support Dr. Cross' concern for our people in the South, as the editor of a national Afro-American newspaper, I must concern myself with the problem as a whole wherever it shows its ugly head.

In this respect then, let us concentrate on historic development of the whole idea of Self-Defense, why the need for Self Defense in *northern communities*, and how and when should they be organized . . .

The right of self defense is universally recog-

nized. It is generally conceded that a nation or an individual has the right, and indeed the *duty* to act in self-defense against murderous attack. In jurisprudence, for example, the act of killing in self-defense is called justifiable homicide, and is not considered a criminal offense.

History is replete with examples of individuals, groups and nations exercising that right, and being applauded and eulogized for it. The American Revolution is one such an example. . . .

Many examples could be cited from both American and world history of people organizing self-defense groups to defend their lives, rights, property and human dignity from violence.

For an example, in Tzarist Russia, Jewish communities organized defense, united to protect themselves against government-instigated pogroms carried out by hoodlums and anti-Semites. And, in the last World War, the Jewish ghetto in Warsaw, Poland, put up a heroic resistance against the Nazi "Master Race," and received world applause for it.



Dr. L. Cross

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Pie in the Sky

To see how *cynical* John F. Kennedy can be—as well as *phony*—just take a look at his plan to raise the minimum wage.

He proposes to pass a \$1.15 minimum wage law now, and make it \$1.25 sometime later on.

A few months ago, as a Senator, he voted *against* the \$1.15 minimum wage law proposed by the *Republicans*. At

that time, he said he voted against the law because he favored the \$1.25 minimum instead.

Now it is clear that he just wanted to deprive the workers of the extra 15 cents until he got in office and could get the "credit."

—It takes a demagogic Democrat to teach the anti-labor Republicans how to fool the workers!

Cokes Instead of Bibles

As March was coming in like a lion in some parts of the country, John F. Kennedy came out like a lamb in Washington, D.C. with the announcement of a "Peace Corps."

And all the newspapers, from the reactionary Hearst and Scripps-Howard chains to the bleeding-heart liberal *New York Post*, greeted Kennedy's bleating "Peace" plan with hosannas and hallelujahs.

The reason is not hard to find.

The "Peace Corps" idea is another gimmick to sell U.S. imperialism to the people of underdeveloped lands—that is super-oppressed colonial countries. It is a device to soften them up, lower their resistance and ensnare them in the toils of imperialist trade and culture for the benefit of imperialist *exploitation*.

The idea is for "dedicated" boys and girls just out of college to go to Africa, Latin America, Asia, etc. and teach U.S. techniques to the people and conquer the people's aversion to U.S. imperialism.

In the old days, *missionaries* did this with bibles. But the slaves of imperialism are now adopting the religion of *rebellion* and have little respect for the religious representatives of imperial-

ism. So a new type of representative is necessary — missionaries in Bermuda shorts — nice girls in pigtails, young fellows in crew cuts — all "befriending the natives" — instead of converting them to the bible, winning them over to Coca Cola and long-playing victrola records.

It is interesting that the reactionary right wing has not attacked this as another "egg-head plan" or "fuzzy-minded globaloney."

There used to be a big argument in this country between the "liberal" capitalists and the more reactionary capitalists on just how to handle the revolutionary masses. Now, with the world in flames, *and more doubt than ever about the power of atom bombs to put out the fire*, there is a touching display of unity on this all-important question.

The "liberal" *Post* voiced the hope of the whole capitalist class when it said: "The Peace Corps could be our mightiest battalion."

But it is safe to predict that the colonial masses, after several centuries of experience with the *Bible Battalion*, will not long be deceived by the *Peace Battalion*.

Klan's Friend — and Kennedy's

Friend of the Klan, white-supremacist, anti-Semitic, anti-labor Charles Meriwether's name was before the Senate last week.

But the Senate was not investigating his activities in 1950 as Senatorial campaign manager for John Crommelin, one of Alabama's more notorious white supremacists. Nor was it investigating his activities in 1958 as manager of Alabama Governor Patterson's racist campaign when he accepted the aid of the Ku Klux Klan.

No, the Senate was passing on his ability to be a director of the multi-billion-dollar U.S. Export-Import Bank.

Meriwether was nominated for this job by Kennedy—and okayed last week

by the powerful Senate Banking Committee.

Some of our readers may wonder why we consider this item to be worth commenting about—since bankers are notoriously conservative and reactionary. And it should not surprise anybody to see another racist join their fraternity.

But it occurred to us that neither Mr. Weaver, Mr. Dawson, Mr. Powell nor any other qualified Afro-American was suggested for Mr. Meriwether's new position.

With all their hypocritical talk about "integration," the ruling class has not yet proposed even *token* integration for directors of the big *banks*.

Stevenson Oils Up for War

Adlai Stevenson is one of those "liberal" servants of a decadent ruling class who is most valuable in time of a severe crisis. This is because he has so long duped the middle class liberals as a "moderate" and a "friend of progress" that he can more effectively lead them into imperialist war.

When he took up his duties in the UN a couple months ago, we said he was "imperialism's ideal choice for U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations."—*Workers World*, December 23, 1960.

He has been proving the correctness of our estimate ever since that time. But on March 2 of this year, he outdid himself with an unctuous luncheon talk about "freedom" for Africa that combined suave appeals to African nationalism with ringing denunciations of imperialism (!), veiled threats of war against the Soviet Union, and ready references to the revolutionary *past* of the United States.

After warning that Africa was becoming "Balkanized," Stevenson threatened—between his faked and stagey sighs—

"Then in 1914, a bullet killed an arch-duke—as a bullet, this unhappy winter, killed Lumumba. And men stood helplessly by and watched until all the world was engulfed in the horrors of war.

"Africa is the Balkans of today. Any outside power seeking to manipulate its griefs and searchings and first fumbling efforts to stand alone risks bringing down on Africa and on the world the dread possibility of nuclear destruction."

This was a polite, pœtic and slaughterous warning to the Soviet Union to refrain from supplying any more arms to the freedom forces in the Congo. The same slippery Adlai Stevenson who hypocritically advocated stopping nu-

clear bomb tests in 1956 now openly threatens nuclear war!

But that is not all. This slick school-master of imperialism continued to lecture the Soviet Union as follows:

"And to the Soviet Union I would say . . . Stay your ambitions. Think twice about your intervention. . . . Do not sabotage the only institution (i.e., the UN!—ed.) which offers an alternative to imperialism."

Stevenson, of course, did not mention that it is Belgium, not the Soviet Union, which owns 3.5 billion dollars worth of the Congolese people's gold, diamonds, uranium, ivory, etc. And he did not refer to the 500 million dollars worth of the same owned by the United States capitalists, who pay the same starvation wages as the Belgians do to Congo workers.

To top his tall story of the 'goodness' of the U.S. rulers as against the 'badness' of the Soviet Union, he took a go at American history:

"Indeed, it was in these United States that the first practical steps were taken to raise the principle of anti-colonialism from a hope to a fact. The 'shot that echoed around the world' at Lexington echoes on to this very day."

(These "echoes" were pretty weak at the UN on last December 14 when the U.S. Delegate failed to vote for a motion to end colonialism!)

What a true and faithful servant of imperialism and what a persuasive advocate of imperialist war is the "peaceful" Adlai Stevenson! How much harder it would be for *Wall Street's battleships* to visit the Congo (they started to Mar. 6) without the smokescreen of his "anti-imperialism" and the oil of his "moderation"!

MAIL BAG

Lights out!

Dear Editor:

. . . There is a terrific program of cost-cutting now going on in the mills.

At the Ohio Works for example, eight foremen are standing around trying to decide which overhead light should be turned out to conserve electricity. (They had already pulled out the plug connecting the clock!). . . .

A meeting has been set up by the Union of Unemployed Workers with the county commissioners, the township trustees of Hubbard, the city councilmen of Niles and the county director of the Department of Welfare. Representatives will be present from half a dozen town-

ships and cities in Trumbull County.

Things are pretty tough here. But as you said in your last issue, the people are beginning to fight back.

M. S., Youngstown

A proud reader

Dear Editor:

Here's \$1.00. I wish that I could send more. (Unemployed.) We are so proud and happy about the name you are now using—"Afro-American."

The *Workers World* is the first newspaper in the United States to call us by our rightful and wonderful name. We have always resented being referred to by the old-time slave names.

You have made many of us happy, especially the younger people. We heartily approve of this fighting workers' paper.

M. D. W., Seattle

"Civilized" Barbarism Tortures "Backward" Algeria

By Nina Silay

The GANGRENE

— Lyle Stuart Publishers, New York

The *GANGRENE* is an enlightening and true account of the vicious torture inflicted by the French government on supporters of the Algerian revolution.

It is a narrative of some of the most damnable torture endured by man. This inhuman treatment was inflicted on seven Algerian intellectuals by a special French police squad which is similar to the Gestapo in Germany and the F.B.I. in the United States.

These young men were abducted by the police and taken to an out-of-the-way spot, where they were tortured.

One of the men involved was a dental student whose brother was active in the Algerian revolutionary government. Another was a political science student.

A student in the School of Public Works was so badly mutilated and beaten that he appeared more dead than alive after the ordeal. The other four men were a pharmaceutical assistant, a journalist, a commercial traveler, and a student of science.

The special police squad was able to inflict the maximum of pain and torture and yet keep these men barely alive.

Electrodes were applied to various parts of the body. Water was applied

before the electrodes were placed on the skin. This was to increase the pain and yet leave no traces on the body.

After the police squad finished its work these men were so close to death that they were quickly transported to the hospital to keep them from dying in jail.

The *GANGRENE* was confiscated by the de Gaulle government on June 20, 1959, just four days after it was published. A new set of plates was made for a second edition, but these were quickly smashed by the French police.

The seven Algerians have suffered sadistic indignities and merciless hate. To date, they have been refused a trial and a chance to tell the facts to the public.

Of course, the French government refuses to admit that such practices exist and therefore has done nothing to abolish them.

France is supposed to be one of the most "advanced" and "civilized" countries in the world. So it is—With advanced barbarism and civilized savagery, (which engulfs the rotted ruling class) it attempts to extinguish the flames of freedom.

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People of Ghana Tear Down United Nations Flag And Accuse U.S. of Organizing Lumumba's Murder

By J. K. Yalley
(Our Ghana Correspondent)

Accra, Ghana, March 1—In Ghana today, with everybody from scavengers to Cabinet ministers, the topic of discussion is Lumumba's death and the Congo crisis.

It was one o'clock on a Monday, when the radio announcer broke the news of Lumumba's death. Consternation and indignation followed, and Ghanaians described the murder as "premeditated."

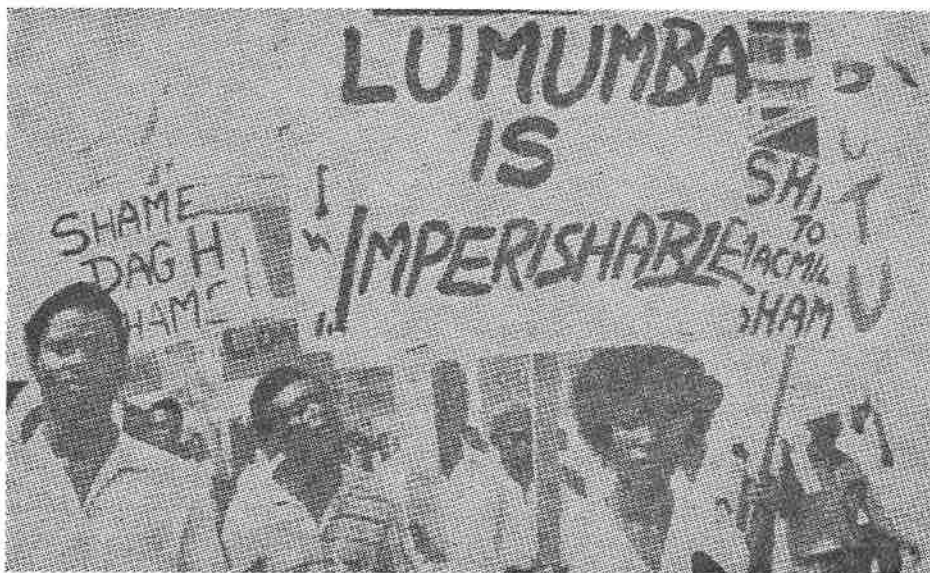
The President of Ghana, Osagyefo Dr. Kwame Nkrumah, solemnly drove to the Radio Station in Accra and condemned the architects of the murder of Lumumba and his colleagues.

He said, "The three men had been killed because the United Nations, whom Mr. Lumumba himself, as Prime Minister, had invited to the Congo to preserve law and order, not only failed to maintain that law and order, but also denied to the lawful government of the Congo all other means of self-protection."

"The murder of Mr. Lumumba and his colleagues was unique in that this is the first time in history that the legal ruler of a country has been done to death with the open connivance of a world organization in whom that ruler put his trust."

President Nkrumah added that Africans should not ignore the fact that the murders were most carefully prepared and timed.

Old and young in Accra, led by the dynamic Dr. Nkrumah's party—the Convention People's Party—demonstrated



Ghanaian Workers and Students Protesting Lumumba's Murder

through the principal streets. The Belgian and United States embassies were the targets.

The United States of America has been known to be the planner of NATO's intrigues, while Belgium is the executor.

Demonstrators carried placards. "Lumumba Imperishable," "Belgium and America have killed Lumumba," "Kasavubu—Mobutu—Tshombe must pay for the price of treachery," "Shame Unto Dag Hammarskjold." African drums throbbed while demonstrators, all clad in mourning cloths, sang songs in honor of Lumumba. The crowd, on reaching

the Local United Nations Information Centre, tore into pieces the United Nations flag.

For eight days the President of Ghana directed that all Ghana flags should fly at half-mast. Ghanaians mourned Lumumba's death as though he was a leading statesman of Ghana.

A Chief's House of Representatives in Brong Ahafo, northwest of Ghana, has congratulated Dr. Kwame Nkrumah on recognizing Antoine Gizenga's Government. They have pressed for the arrest of Congolese thugs, including Joseph Kasavubu, Mobutu and Moise Tshombe.

Defense Guards

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No people nor nation have ever won the respect of others without first achieving self-respect. Nor can self-respect be acquired by cowardly kowtowing to our oppressors, offering our faces to be slapped and spat on, preaching the suicidal bunk of non-resistance . . .

Should you look on passively while thugs in uniform trample you under their feet, shooting down our youth in cold blood or brutally beating them up? Such acts are manifestly in violation of their duty as peace officers, and occur frequently, all too frequently in Afro-American communities . . .

When a member of our race is viciously beaten or shot down in cold blood in our own community, by peace officers, who are supposed to protect us, and we, our men and women stand by passively looking on not raising a finger to stop the outrage, the disgrace is ours, not the armed thugs'. These thugs, and those whom they represent, will respect us, if and when we respect ourselves . . .

(Here Mrs. Alexander recounted police brutalities by name, place, date—and she made a series of concrete proposals for organized defense guards—ed.)

I say to you Afro-American men and women here tonight—let us stand up straight—let us take a lesson from Dr. Cross in Georgia, and our Congolese brothers in the Congo—Lumumba died that the Congolese people may be free—some of us will have to die that our children may live in peace, freedom, and with dignity.

(Complete speech may be obtained from *Herald-Dispatch*, 1431 W. Jefferson Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif.)

Militant Puerto Ricans, Cubans Demonstrate in Washington, D.C.

(Two Demonstrations)

By George Fitzpatrick

By Nat Douglass

The cause of Puerto Rico Liberation was vividly demonstrated in front of the White House on Washington's Birthday. From New York, Philadelphia and New Jersey, Puerto Rican nationalists and their allies amongst the Afro-American U.S. working class movements joined forces.

The picket signs called for the freeing of Dr. Pedro Albizu Campos, imprisoned leader of the Puerto Rican Nationalist Party, for liberation of Puerto Rico, and demonstrated the pickets' solidarity with the Cuban and African Revolutions.

Following the five hours of picketing, 100 demonstrators assembled in front of Blair House to pay tribute to the memory of those who have died in the cause of the liberation movement.

As Pelegrin Garcia led in the singing of La Borinquena (the national anthem of Puerto Rico), the police moved in, seized him and another member of the demonstration, Enrique Cuevas, and put them both under arrest.

As the police acted to disperse the crowd they were greeted by shouts of "Viva Puerto Rico Libre," "Puerto Rico Si, Yankee No!," "Cuba Si, Yankee No!," "Death to Yankee Imperialism," etc. Several of the demonstrators tangled physically with the police at this point.

Amongst those shouting for the freedom of her country the loudest and spurring on the courage and determination of the demonstrators, was Rosa Collazo, who had spent 5 years in the Yankee imperialist's prisons and whose husband, Oscar, is now serving a 35-year sentence.

This is typical of the spirit of the Puerto Rican revolutionary movement, a spirit that is destined to break the chains of colonialist slavery for once and all.

Washington, February 25—More than 800 members of the Cuban 26th of July Movement, Fair Play for Cuba Committee, and other groups from Philadelphia, Baltimore, and the New York City area converged on the nation's capital today, presenting their case of support for the Cuban Revolution to the Washingtonians (Kennedy included).

Upon their arrival, they proceeded to the Lincoln Memorial to place a wreath there. Then going to the White House, they set up a picket line. Marching four abreast, they formed an oblong stretching the entire length of the grounds fronting the White House.

The marchers carried signs showing their non-support of U.S. policies toward Cuba. Some of the signs read: "Let Americans see the truth about Cuba—End the travel ban," and "We want to go back to Cuba!"

The latter expressed the plight of the Cubans in this country who support the revolutionary government of Cuba and are prevented by the U.S. capitalist government from returning to their homeland.

During the march one of the heaviest downpours of the season began and continued for hours. The rain soaked the demonstrators but did not dampen their spirits. At the height of the deluge they began shouting "Viva Castro . . . Viva Castro . . ."

The immediate area of the White House being districted as a "Quiet Zone," the Washington policemen ran about in a frenzy while the demonstrators shouted "Viva Castro" . . . within earshot of Jacqueline's bedroom.

After picketing, the group boarded their buses. The caravan moved through the residential area when leaving the city. The demonstrators, with bus windows open wide, waved and shouted to pedestrians, "Viva Castro." Many waved back enthusiastically.

It was a great day.

Where Would Cuba's Enemies Have Stood in 1776?

By Pedro Sanchez

The Cuban Revolution is different from the Revolution of 1776. But the difference does not lie in any lack of "democracy" or "free elections" or the number of traitors or the amount of bloodshed.

In 1776, one-third of the U.S. population was loyal to King George III and literally up in arms against the "subversive, radical fanatics" like George Washington, Paine and Jefferson.

No general election was held until 1789—13 years after the revolutionary leaders had said that "all men are created equal." And then neither white women nor Afro-American men or women were allowed to vote. With the great majority of the population disfranchised, Washington was elected President. And he was the only candidate!

During and after the Revolution, there were a large number of traitors who defected to the British. Like the Cuban defectors of today, they were most numerous in the following categories:

1. The officials—Men holding positions in the civil, military and naval services.
2. The professionals—Lawyers, doctors, teachers and preachers.
3. Large landed proprietors.
4. Wealthy merchants whose businesses were hurt by the disruption of trade with Britain.
5. Miscellaneous personal servants and retainers of the upper class—also criminals and dregs of society.

Benedict Arnold was not the only defector of high military rank. There were a number of officers of lesser rank, who also turned traitor when the going got tough.

As the Revolution proceeded, the revolutionists expropriated practically all properties of defectors as well as British firms and interests. Few indemnities were paid.

Defectors were imprisoned or hung. Laws against them were not repealed until 1812.

Today, revolutionary Cuba is com-

pelled to take some of the same kind of drastic measures in the interest of progress that revolutionary America once did. (But of course Cuba has infinitely more equality than the U.S. had in 1776 or any other time.)

Today, the capitalist rulers of the United States have buried the Revolution of 1776 under a mountain of platitudes. And they are trying to bury the Cuban Revolution of 1959-61 under a mountain of lies.

They slander the Cuban Revolution as George III slandered the American Revolution.

The difference between them and George III is only that they are so much more powerful, more dangerous and more murderous against their colonial slaves and ex-slaves.

Kennedy Lays Off 8,000 Workers

Kennedy doesn't want to put the unemployed back to work one-tenth as much as he wants to make the capitalist system work.

For example, if Kennedy makes good on his threat to ban the importation of Cuban tobacco, some U.S. workers will be hurt more than Cuba.

There are 6,000 to 8,000 cigar-makers in Tampa, Florida, who roll fine Cuban tobacco into expensive "Havana" cigars.

Nearly all of these will lose their jobs if the import ban goes through.

But of course, that's all right with Kennedy. He figures what hurts revolutionary Cuba is bound to help U.S. capitalism—and to hell with a few thousand U.S. workers!

This Billionaire Is Asking YOU To Build Him a New Home!

By R. Lieder

A great deal of publicity has been given to the fire which damaged New York State Governor Rockefeller's executive mansion and destroyed some of his paintings.

The biggest play in the newspapers and on the radio and T.V., shortly after the fire occurred, was towards the Governor's "heroism" and the unfortunate loss of \$350,000 in "art treasures."

But after the drama wore off, a more sober thought was thrust before the public: the state was thinking-of building or buying a new residence for the Governor. Or, to put it another way, Rockefeller was thinking of building or buying a new residence for himself.

The reasons given were that the architectural style of the mansion is no longer "fashionable" and the section of Albany surrounding it has "deteriorated" since the mansion was built.

And why shouldn't the state give Rockefeller a new home? After all, he

only has—in addition to the executive mansion—a triplex Fifth Avenue apartment, an estate in North Tarrytown, a summer home in Bar Harbor, Maine, a home in Washington, and a ranch in Venezuela.

You see, he only has *five other homes*, and a sixth slightly damaged by fire is no longer "fashionable" and is surrounded by a "deteriorated" neighborhood. So of course the poor, homeless, courageous Governor deserves a new mansion.

But what about the people who *live* in those "deteriorated" slums surrounding the mansion in Albany? Don't they deserve a new home, too?

And what about the 4 million Venezuelans, enslaved by Rockefeller's oil kingdom, *who don't even have a home?*

Furthermore, who's going to pay for this new *sixth* home of the billionaire oil king? Will it come out of the more than half billion dollar yearly profits his companies make in Venezuela alone? Will it come out of the billions of his personal wealth and vast financial empire?

Not a chance! The new Rockefeller mansion will be paid for by the taxes which New York State workers are forced to give to the state (Rockefeller) government.

Instead of extolling the "heroism" of the billionaire who "heroically" lives off of the blood and sweat of millions—

Instead of buying the oil king a new mansion with the hard earned money of New York workers—

Why not build *new homes* for the workers who live in the slums surrounding the executive mansion—

And build *homes* for the millions of starving, homeless Venezuelans?

—And why not get rid of Rockefeller and his empire altogether?

—Nigerian Explosion

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ern Nigeria, condemned the role the police were playing in attempting to crush these mass demonstrations, and also condemned the Government for its collaboration with the police.

Osita Okeke, who is President of the National Union of Nigerian Students, and was also one of the youths clubbed by the police at the demonstration in Lagos, was one of the speakers at this meeting.

Mr. Okeke described the Secretary General of the U.N., Dag Hammarskjold, as the "most irresponsible Secretary-General ever." He also told his listeners that it was the United States, Britain and others in NATO that conspired to murder Mr. Lumumba.

Dr. Tunji Otegbeye, President of the Nigerian Youth Congress, said that Mr. Lumumba was butchered because he did not toe the line of the imperialists. He called on the youth of Africa to ac-

cept the challenge of imperialism and face the future with strong determination. "We know our friends and we know our enemies," he declared.

Dr. Bankole Akpata of the University College, Ibadan, also joined others who spoke in condemning the killers of the great African leader, Lumumba.

In Enugu, capital of Eastern Nigeria, armed policemen guarded the office of the United States Information Services while demonstrators protesting Lumumba's murder were in action. Speakers at a rally which later followed blamed the NATO powers, headed by the United States, for the murder of Patrice Lumumba.

One of these speakers, Mr. C. A. Abangwu, Deputy Speaker of the Eastern House of Assembly, said that the Western Powers were committing murders in the Congo because of their interests there. He said seventy per cent of the mineral wealth of the Congo belonged to the United States, Britain, France, and Belgium.

Another speaker, Mr. Mbazulike Amechi, Parliamentary Secretary to the Nigerian Federal Minister of Information, revealed that the American Government had issued the order for the murder of the legal Congolese Prime Minister, Patrice Lumumba, in September of last year.

Mr. Amechi declared: "It will be foolish for anybody to think that by achieving independence the tasks of the Nationalists of Nigeria are over. We have achieved independence to be able to govern ourselves, but I am not yet convinced that we are governing ourselves now."

Also, the Parliamentary Secretary to the Premier of Eastern Nigeria, Mr. John Imolu, told the large audience at the rally: "I do not know what they call Communism, but if Communists love us and support us, we should also support them."

Mass demonstrations mourning the murder of Patrice Lumumba were also held in Kaduna, capital of Northern Nigeria.

Significant Poem

Nigeria, the most populous country of Africa, is not going to be satisfied with its sham independence much longer.

The following excerpt from a poem printed in the daily *West African Pilot* of Nigeria indicates a strong consciousness of revolutionary upheavals to come. It is particularly significant in light of the fact that the author is *President of the Nigerian Senate*.

*Ye independent States of Africa;
rise;
Ye are not free, no,
not free;
Ye have changed one kind of
chains
For a more degrading kind of
chains;
Rise and fight for freedom,
ye slaves. . . .*

Dennis Osadebay

Unemployment To Rise Still Higher

The AFL-CIO Executive Board has just warned that unemployment would rise to 8 million by next year if national productive output stayed at present levels. This would be an increase of 2.6 million unemployed with the same goods produced.

The reason is that there would be over a million new workers in the "labor market." And the remainder would be thrown out of work by automation.

The Executive Board also stated that much stronger "anti-recession measures" than any now pending in Congress were needed to get the unemployed back to work.

And Everybody Lived Happily Ever After

(But it's Not a Fairy Tale!)

By Mose Peterson

Once upon a time there was a tight-fisted scrooge of a steel mill owner who lived in a large old house with his nine fine children and his loyal wife. His house had been heated with a decrepit coal furnace and because it was a cold climate, the old furnace had to labor mightily to keep them all warm.

So the rich steel mill owner had a fine new gas furnace installed and the heat was now easily controlled with a single thermostat. The whole family looked forward to the added benefits they would share from his modern equipment. Incidentally, the rich steel mill owner was able to finance the new furnace through a federal "fast amortization plan," so it cost him nothing.

Now it came to pass that adversity struck in the form of a long period of very cold weather and when the rich steel mill owner got his gas bill, to him it was a staggering, outrageous, unjustifiable cost.

Then he called his family together and announced that he was applying the lessons of efficiency he had learned in the mill and henceforth he was going to set the thermostat at a temperature of 35 degrees because it was in his economic interest to cut expenses.

He made an exception for himself, because he said his authority and managerial genius must be protected and therefore his own den in the house would be fitted with special electric heaters to keep it plenty warm and in this warm room he was going to live.

His wife and children protested vigorously. And the rich steel mill owner thereupon lectured them severely upon the holiness of his right of ownership.

As the house became colder, the rich steel mill owner discovered the older sons and daughters were slyly moving the heat up and he had to stand guard over the thermostat.

no longer called him father but now called him "old man" and "old buzzard" and "old *#/#!\$. At this, the rich steel mill owner became alarmed and hired three armed policemen to guard the thermostat day and night.

Conditions in the house began to become unbearable and the family held a conference secretly and the older sons already proposed to take over the thermostat by force.

But the wife was still loyal to the rich steel mill owner. She had not yet learned that "economic interest" and "efficiency" had destroyed every trace of humanity in her husband and that he was guided by the most inhuman principle in history that—"My first interest is in the stockholders." However, she did agree to go to the mayor and seek help.

In the mayor's office, the family asked the mayor to loan them enough policemen to seize the heat control.

The mayor was terribly shocked. He reminded them that the house, furnace, and thermostat belonged to the rich steel

mill owner and it was his right to do as he wished with it and the action they were proposing was a blow at that most holy institution "free enterprise."

Then the mayor suddenly realized that the family in front of him represented votes and he became the crafty politician.

He sympathized with their problem, he said, and he was going to set up an impartial committee to study the effects of cold temperature on people and at the same time he was going to get them a big bunch of high-calorie free surplus food that would generate a lot of heat.

As soon as the family left, the mayor phoned his close friend, the rich steel mill owner and warned him of these subversive actions of his family. The mayor agreed to loan the rich steel mill owner one of his smooth, young secret policemen who would pose as a young student and live with the family and report on what they were thinking and saying. But by this time, the family had learned to communicate in the language that all cold and hungry people know and that

neither the rich steel mill owner nor his hired cops were able to understand.

At this time, the rich steel mill owner announced a big public relations campaign. Henceforth, he said, the temperature would be announced as 35 degrees Centigrade instead of Fahrenheit.

Although this was not really so, the rich steel mill owner tried to convince his family that even if it wasn't any warmer, it looked better and anyway they should take comfort in the fact that his heating system had the CAPACITY to keep everybody warm, and it was unfortunate that his economic interests required them to shiver.

He also announced that to show he was sharing their hardship, he was voluntarily lowering the temperature in his warm den from 74 degrees to 73 degrees. But heat the whole house to that temperature? NEVER! he said and that was his ultimatum.

One extremely cold night, the house became a bitter frigid shell that was a home only in form and threatened to bring sickness and death to the whole family. Secretly, then, they held another conference and at this meeting, even the loyalty of the wife to the rich steel mill owner collapsed and she said the necessity for the children's survival now overrode the rich steel mill owner's economic interest. The children represented the future, she said, and he represented the past.

So in an irresistible uprising, they seized the thermostat and the whole house, chased the rich steel mill owner out of his warm den and threw him and his hired cops out in the snow.

And they were WARM—not only from the furnace, which they now owned and controlled, but from the unparalleled warmth that comes from joint achievement and liberating struggle.

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