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FIRST CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN MARXIST-LENINISTS HELD AUGUST 18 to 28

### A CONFERENCE OF UNITY, A CONFERENCE OF VICTORY!

Boston, September 13 (Workers' Daily) - The First Conference of American Marxist-Leninists was successfully held in Detroit from August 18 to 28.

The entire Conference was conducted in a spirit of uniting on the basis of political line through serious consultation and an open airing of views on all the questions facing the Marxist-Leninists and the American working class. The sole motive of the delegates was to carry through to the end the struggle to repudiate the modern revisionists and sham Marxist-Leninists, build the Marxist - Leninist Communist Party and organize the American working class for proletarian revolution. Tremendous clarification of the difference between the Marxist-Leninist ideology, political line and methods of work of the genuine Marxist-Leninists as opposed to the anti-Marxist-Leninist ideology, political line and and splitting and wrecking methods of work of the revisionists of every breed and style took place and the comrades summed up the victories of the first great battles against modern revisonism. Clarification of ideology and political line led to the organizational consolidation of all the participating organizations into one single national Marxist-Leninist Center for the American working class, the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists, founded on August 28. The First Conference of American Marxist-Leninists was an historic victory in the struggle of the genuine Marxist-Leninists and the entire working class against modern revisionism and set the stage for the second great battle against modern revisionism and opportunism and to reconstitute the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party.

The Conference was convened by the Preparatory Committee of the Conference of North American Marxist-Leninists so as to mobilize the American Marxist-Leninists for the North American Conference of Marxist-Leninists and for the building of the Marxist-Leninist Party in the United States. Over 100 delegates from all four corners of the U.S. attended, along with observers from the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist). Comrades came from 21 cities. The following Marxist-Leninist organizations were represented: the Red Star Cadre (Marxist-Leninist), Red Collective, Red Banner Continued on page 3

# BOSTON BRANCH OF CENTRAL ORGANIZATION OF U.S. MARXIST-LENINISTS FORMED!

Boston, September 13 (Workers' Daily) - On Sunday, September 9, the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists organized a Conference of Marxist-Leninists in the Boston area in order to initiate the Boston Branch of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists. Comrades representing the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists from the East. West and South of the country participated in the Conference along with large delegations of Marxist-Leninists from Boston and other nearby cities.

The Chairman of the Conference opened the session by announcing the historic decision of the First Conference of American Marxist-Leninsts to form the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists by uniting the Red Star Cadre (Marxist-Leninist), Red Collective, Red Banner (Marxist-Leninist), Lexington Communist Collec-

tive (Marxist-Leninist), the Association of Communist Workers and the American Communist Workers Movement (Marxist-Leninist) into one national Marxist-Leninist Center. Immediately all the delegates rose to their feet and burst into booming applause for several minutes.

The main speaker of the Conference discussed at length the significance of the formation of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists and the history of the struggle to repudiate modern revisionism, uphold Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and reconstitute a Marxist-Leninist Center of the American working class. He stated: "The Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists is formed at a decisive turning point in the Marxist-Leninist movement in the U.S. and in the revolutionary mass movement of the American working class. The First Conference of

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#### 3 - RICHARD NIXON BLAMES AMERICAN PEOP-LE FOR WATERGATE

Toronto, August 13 - 18 (PCDN)

On June 17, 1972, a gang of ex-C.I.A. agents. Cuban anti-communist refugees, and hatchetmen for the Republican Party, under the control of the White House, were arrested repairing an electronic bug in the Democratic National Office at the Watergate Hotel complex in Washington, D.C. This has now led to a whole exposure of the criminal activities of the U.S. monopoly capitalist ruling class. In his "Address to the Nation" on August 15, 1973, President Nixon arrogantly put the blame for this activity squarely on the American people. Had the American people not opposed the U.S. war of aggression in Indo-China, then there would have been no need for special espionage groups to deal with national security and hence no "excesses" would have been committed by these groups in the defence of this national security. This was the essence of Nixon's logic.

The address, full of anti-communism, national chauvinist jingoism, appeals to Cod, lies and distortions, showed the advanced stage of disintegration of the U.S. ruling class. President Nixon at tempted to whitewash all his own actions and the actions of his cohorts. "In the 1960's", he stated "individuals and groups took laws into their own hands". This was 'praised as new idealism" while "we were accused as reactionaries". "Free speech was brutally repressed" as people who supported aggression were not allowed to speak. In order to "stop the massive leaks of documents" and "stop burnings and bombings and violence" the Administration was justified in establishing special security groups to "see that these excesses do not take place". "We must fight those who would subvert or overthrow our government by unlawful means" and in creating the White House special security groups which became the organisers of the Watergate break-in, Richard Nixon stated he was only following in the footsteps of "Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy and Johnson to protect national security".

According to Richard Nixon in his statement, "overzealous" people in campaigns do some things "wrong" and "excesses occurred," and "some persons in 1972 adopted those acts they had condemned" and the "extremes of the 1960's led to the extremes of Watergate". Today, he continued, we "need a new level of political decency and integrity in America" and such "mistakes must not permitted." At the same time "we must not tie the President's hands to endanger our security and hence our liberty" and there must be "a commitment by all of us to respect mutual restraints of a free society". "We must respect the system even if we have disagreements within the law". If this is not done, then the President will be unable to cope with the events taking place in the world where "U.S. prestige is being sapped" and "vital events are taking place in South East Asia which could be a tragedy for the cause of peace".

Richard Nixon called on all the American people to unite around himself and to "create new structures of peace in the world".

Richard Nixon's "new structures of peace" and his "generation of peace" are fascist calls on the par with Hitler's "new German order" and Tojo's "Asian co-prosperity sphere". For decades Nixon has been a crusading reactionary anti-communist, a loyal flunkey of the U.S. monopoly capitalist ruling class, whose criminal method of deceit, fraud, violence, slander, sabotage and subversion are well-known to the American people. He used them

in the 1952 election campaign. He used them in the McCarthyite anti-communist crusades of which he was one of the main organisers. He used them in his campaign for Governor of the State of California in 1960 and his bid to gain and retain the Presidency in 1968 and 1972. His methods are the epitomy of U.S. imperialist methods of work - the methods of a small, backward ruling class which has designs to enslave all the people of the world under its stars and stripes and designs to keep its own people in perpetual suppression and tyranny.

It is these policies of war of aggression abroad and fascist suppression at home which led to the glorious mass movement of the American people against the U.S. monopoly capitalist ruling class in the 1960's and 1970. Using the true Hitlerite logic of creating external enemies from which the nation must be "saved", then adopting violence against the people to "save" them from this mythical enemy, Richard Nixon propagandised that the mass movement against his class policies was organised by "foreign communist powers" through individuals in the Democratic Party out to "discredit" him and cause his electoral defeat. To suppress the people and obtain "hard evidence" of this "collusion", untold crimes were committed under the banner of reactionary imperialist patriotism. A class that commits genocide daily abroad and massacres its own people at home, surely will not stop at such "petty things" (as Nixon called Watergate) as burglary, arson, sabotage, electronic eavesdropping, bribery, espionage and blackmail against those who oppose it.

The people of the whole world have a good lesson in Watergate. The inner functionings of the U.S. imperialist state machine are revealed once again for all to see. Furthermore, although the different sections of the U.S. ruling class have acute conflicts of interest among themselves, as the last few months have clearly shown, they are all completely united on their fundamental interest: the enslavement of the American people at home and the domination of the people abroad. ALTHOUGH THE DIFFERENT GROUPS BICKER ON THE CORRECT METHOD OF COUNTER-REVOLUTION, THEY ARE ALL UNITED ON THE BASIC NEED FOR THIS COUNTER-REVO-LUTION. There is no "sensibleness" above classes and the U.S. monopoly capitalist class is "sensible" only in protecting its basic class interest.

While certain groups within the American monopoly capitalist class are opposing Nixon's method of counter-revolution, and while the American people and the world's people oppose his counter-revolution, on August 15, Richard Nixon announced that he would carry on despite all opposition and criticism. He blamed the "excesses" of the mass movement for the "unfortunate" reaction by his patriotic "overzealous" gang of thugs.

The U.S. imperialists are in a predicament. This is why they are crying for a "generation of peace". The people of the world know that when an imperialist talks peace, he means war. The people of the world also know that it is their struggle which has landed the U.S. imperialists in this predicament and is causing their disintegration. It is just for this reason that they are now getting further organised and are developing their revolutionary struggles to wipe U.S. imperialist tyranny off the face of the earth. This way they will win a genuine and lasting peace without war and exploitation.

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American Marxist-Leninists summed up the victories of the first great battles against modern revisionism. A core of revolutionary Marxist-Leninist leadership has emerged out of the revolutionary mass movement and the trend to uphold Mao Tsetung Thought and work for the building the Marxist-Leninist Party is very much alive and flourishing. Already the second great battle against modern revisionism and opportunism has begun. New style revisionists are coming to the fore to parrot certain Marxist-Leninist phrases as a thin cover for promoting the same basic anti-Marxist-Leninist ideology and politics peddled by the "New Left" in the '60's during the upsurges of the student movement. Today the target of this revisionist and opportunist politics is the American working class. The formation of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists has fully created material conditions for taking the lessons of the class struggles of the '60's and '70's to the masses of working people, for launching further attacks on modern revisionism and its newfound bedfellows and to further develop the trend of MAO TSETUNG THOUGHT amongst the working masses. It is the great responsibility of the Marxist-Leninists to win this second great battle against modern revisionism, uphold the Marxist-Leninist ideological and political line on all questions and arm the working masses with it, strive to build up a strong and consolidated Marxist-Leninist Party and carry through continual struggles against the monopoly capitalist class. We call upon all comrades and genuine Marxist-Leninists to rally around the banner of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists sitting together for the cause of building the Party, to further organize the wide-scale dissemination and discussion of the Marxist-Leninist political line amongst the working masses and to launch further struggles against the monopoly capitalist class and their revisionist and opportunist agents. We call upon our comrades and all genuine Marxist-Leninists to shoulder the task of building up the national MARXIST-LENINIST CENTER as their first and only responsibility so as to make a contribution towards building the Party and towards the proletarian revolution."

Following the main speech several comrades from the Boston area rose to express tremendous support for the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists and express their great joy and enthusiasm in taking up the call to form the Boston Branch of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists. They each pledged to unite closely under the leadership of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists into an iron fist of resolute and uncompromising opposition to the monopoly capitalist; class and its revisionist and opportunist henchmen and to always uphold Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought and adhere closely to the political line and orientation of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists.

The entire Conference proceeded in a great atmosphere of enthusiasm and unity and all the delegates participated in re-organizing the practical work in the Boston area on the basis of the concentrated experience and class struggle which was summed up in the First Conference of American Marxist-Leninists. Preparations were made to further concentrate the work of the Central Organization by: 1. turning the widescale discussion and debate taking place in leftwing circles on Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought into a material force in support of building the Marxist-Leninist Party, and 2. going all out amongst the working masses in definite areas to further disseminate Mao Tsetung Thought, explain the Marxist-Leninist ideological and political line and participate in the revolutionary struggles of the masses.

On the basis of the re-organization of the practical work, a political committee of 35 comrades was established to look after the political affairs of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists in the local area.

The Conference ended with each and every comrade pledging to unite under the banner of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists in order to further develop the trend of Marxist-Leninist unity and solidarity and further the trend of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought amongst the masses so as to make a contribution to building the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party as the decisive factor in organizing the American working class for proletarian revolution.

End item.

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(Marxist-Leninist), Lexington Communist Collective (Marxist-Leninist), Association of Communist Workers and the American Communist Workers Movement (Marxist-Leninist).

The first session of the Conference was held before the portraits of Marx, Engels, Lenin, Stalin and Chairman Mao and banners expressing the deep aspiration of the genuine Marxist-Leninists to unite in order to build the Marxist-Leninist Party. The Presidium of the Conference was chosen and representatives from the participating organizations and observers enthusiastically hailed the convening of the Conference as a victory over the splitting and wrecking tactics of the sham Marxist-Leninists.

The formal sessions of the Conference were held according to the mass democratic method. They dealt with the following agenda: Basic Contradictions in U.S. Society; Party-building Is the Decisive Factor; The Working Class Is the Main and Leading Force; Mass Movements; Revisionism; Mass Democratic Method; and The International Situation, including the International Communist Movement, the National Liberation Struggles and the International United Front against U.S. Imperialism and Soviet Social-imperialism.

### 6 - U.S. TO STEP UP RIVALRY WITH U.S.S.R. IN NUCLEAR MISSILES, SAY U.S. OFFICIALS

Peking, August 27, 1973 (Hsinhua) — U.S. Government officials declared recently that the United States has "doubts about the Russians' willingness to negotiate away any part of their (nuclear) arsenal" and is considering the building of a "larger, more powerful new ICBM" to rival the Soviet Union, according to Washington reports.

They made these statements after news was spread to the effect that the Soviet Union is stepping up the testing of MIRV's.

AiP. reported from Washington on August 25 that as a result of the Soviet tests, U.S. defence officials "are not optimistic" that the Soviet Union will be in a mood to agree to the kind of limitations on offensive weaponry that would maintain a "true balance". The report said, "Some administration officials believe that the U.S. Government must tell the Russians bluntly that unless they agree to what are termed 'equal aggregates' of missile power, there will be no SALT II Agreement."

N.P.I. reported from Washington on the same day that the United States is considering several "hard" alter-

natives should "salt" fail to have the Soviet Union cut significantly its nuclear arsenal. The report revealed that other "less drastic" options also under consideration include: taking the lid off deployment of the minuteman III missile—"the most advanced version of the standard U.S. ICBM", increasing the firepower of this missile, improving its target-hitting accuracy, and developing a mobile land-based ICBM force.

Earlier, U.S. Deputy Defence Secretary William Clements Jr. revealed that the United States "is vigorously pushing" the development of a strategic weapon—the cruise missile. In emphasizing the necessity of developing this new weapon, he drew attention to the "vigorous pace" of Soviet strategic weapons development. The U.S.S.R. has "moved much more vigorously than the U.S." in the deployment of such kind of cruise missiles as well as in MIRV tests, he said.

That is how the two superpowers are contending in an intensified nuclear arms race without yielding an inch to each other.

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After an entire week of serious and lively discussion and exchange of views, the formal sessions of the Conference closed with the unanimous passing of resolutions denouncing the splitters and wreckers of the !'Communist' League who attempted to undermine the unity of the Marxist-Leninists and resoundingly declaring that the unity of the Marxist-Leninists on the basis of the Marxist-Leninist political line and in opposition to the

modern revisionists is the main and growing trend in the U.S. today. The comrades resolved to mobilize all the genuine Marxist-Leninists for the great battles against revisionism and its master, the monopoly capitalist class. The formal sessions closed with enthusiastic and extended applause and the singing of The Internationale and The East Is Red. End Item.

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The Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists was formed at the Conference of American Marxist-Leninists held in Detroit from August 18 to 28. The organizations which participated in founding the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists included: the Red Star Cadre (Marxist-Leninist), the Red Collective, the Red Banner (Marxist-Leninist), the Lexington Communist Collective (Marxist-Leninist), the Association of Communist Workers and the American Communist Workers Movement (Marxist-Leninist). The Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists calls upon all genuine Marxist-Leninist groups and individuals to work together to build one national Marxist-Leninist Center in order to build the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party and organize the proletarian revolution. Subscriptions or bulk orders for Workers' Daily News Release may be obtained by writing to Necessity for Change Publications, PO Box 930, Boston MA 02103.