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14 - COUS M-L HOLDS MEETING TO HAIL THE GREAT VICTORIES OF THE TENTH CONGRESS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CHINA

Boston, September 18 (Workers' Daily) - On Sunday, September 16, the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists organized a meeting in Boston to HAIL THE GREAT VICTORIES OF THE TENTH CONGRESS OF TIE COMMUNIST PARTY OF CHINA. Over 40 comrades and friends attended. The meeting was addressed by two representatives of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists.

The first speaker warmly hailed the victories of the Tenth Congress of the Communist Party of China as a great development in the struggle of the Chinese working class and people and the people of the entire world in their struggle against imperialism, modern revisionism and all reaction. He said that the Tenth Congress of the Communist Party of China had I) tremendously advanced the struggle against modern revisionism in China and consolidated the Communist Party of China and the dictatorship of the proletariat on the firm basis of Chairman Mao's proletarian revolutionary line, and 2) provided tremendous impetus for the further advance of the struggle of the International Communist Movement against modern revisionism and of the proletariat and people of the whole world in their common struggle against U.S. imperialism, Soviet social-imperialism and all reaction.

The first speaker said that the Tenth Congress of the Communist Party of China had re-affirmed the victories of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and the correctness of the Report of the Ninth Congress of the Communist Party of China summing up the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, it had summed up the victories of the class struggle in China in the period since the Ninth Congress of the CPC, in particular, the victory of the Party in the struggle against the ultrarightist, revisionist Lin Piao anti-Party clique, and put forward Chairman Mao's great guidelines: "PRACTICE MARXISM, NOT REVISIONISM; UNITE, AND DON'T SPLIT; BE OPEN AND ABOVEBOARD, AND DON'T INTRIGUE AND CON-SPIRE." The comrade said that the line of the Tenth Congress of the Communist Party of China is proof that the Communist Party of China,

under the guidance of Chairman Mao and on the firm ideological foundation of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, is carrying the struggle against modern revisionism, the main instrument of the bourgeoisie in the working class movement, through to the end and is marching triumphantly toward the complete liquidation of class society. He said this proves that the Communist Party of China is a great, glorious and correct Party. Under the leadership of Chairman Mao, it is making breakthroughs and is summing up the advanced experience of the proletariat in the struggle against modern revisionism. He said that all Marxist-Leninists should study the documents of the Tenth Congress of the Communist Party of China and modestly learn from them.

The first speaker further said: the Tenth Congress of the CPC comes at a time when the international situation is excellent. Socialist China and Albania are developing and flourishing as the unshakeable bastions of world revolution. The national liberation struggles are smashing to pieces imperialism, colonialism and neo-colonialism, while the small and medium-sized countries are waging many, many struggles for national soverignty and territorial integrity and against the big-power hegemonism of the two superpowers, U.S. imperialism and Soviet socialimperialism. The proletariat and people in the capitalist and revisionist countries are developing their struggles. Since the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, genuinely Marxist-Leninist Parties and organizations have developed in the struggle against revisionism throughout the world and are increasingly leading the struggles of the masses forward against the class enemies. Just as the victory of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution and the Ninth Party Congress gave a tremendous impetus to the struggle of the International Communist Movement against modern revisionism and to the International United Front against U.S. imperialism and Soviet socialimperialism, the further consolidation of the Communist Party of China as summed up in the Tenth Congress, will surely provide a further great impetus to the International Communist Movement and to the International United Front continued on page 2

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against U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism. Thus the victory of the Tenth Congress of the Communist Party of China is a victory for the people of the whole world.

The second speaker said that the Tenth Congress of the Communist Party of China, as well as the entire history of the CPC, teaches one most fundamental lesson: that the question of whether the working class has a Marxist-Leninist Party or a revisionist party, and consequently whether the proletariat makes revolution and overthrows the bourgeoisie or whether political power remains in the hands of the bourgeoisie, depends on developing the two-line struggle right in the midst of the masses. He pointed out that the Ninth Congress of the Communist Party of China had affirmed that it was only with the participation of the masses in great debates and revolutionary mass criticism that the true features of the Liu Shao-chi revisionist clique and its revisionist political line could be exposed and the broad masses armed against it and mobilized to seize political power. He pointed out that, firmly upholding this fundamental principle, the Tenth Congress of the Communist Party of China in its Report stated that it was only by using the negative example of the Lin Piao anti-Party clique and developing criticism and repudiation of it right amongst the masses and arming the masses with the two-line struggle could the masses grasp firmly the distinction between genuine and sham Marxism, uphold the Marxist-Leninist political line and be masters of their own destiny. He said that Chairman Mao teaches us that the class struggle in society is reflected in the two-line struggle in the Party and that the two-line struggle in the Party can only be won and the revisionist line defeated by developing this struggle with the participation of the masses and using this experience as a propellor to move the whole society forward.

The second speaker said that in the U.S. today the FIRST DECISIVE TWO-LINE STRUGGLE is now taking place on a national scale over whether the working class will have its Marxist-Leninist Party or not, whether Marxism-Leninism will be established in the revolutionary mass movement of the working class and the working class will be led forward towards the proletarian revolution or not. He said that this struggle should be considered by all Marxist-Leninists to be DECIS-IVE. The revolutionary workers movement is emerging on a national scale while the revisionists of all stripes are plotting to impose socialfascist dictatorship on it and suppress it as they did the revolutionary mass movements of the 60's. The difference is that today the genuine Marxist-Leninists are uniting into ONE NATION-AL MARXIST-LENINIST CENTER and are launching wide-scale criticism and repudiation of the modern revisionists including the sham Marxist-Leninists in order to defeat them in definite sections of the revolutionary mass movement, reconstitute the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party and march forward on the path of PROLE-TARIAN REVOLUTION.

The second speaker said that to execute this historic task we must come under the discipline of Marxism-Leninism-Mao Tsetung Thought, of the lessons of the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution, as summed up at the Ninth and Tenth Congresses of the Communist Party of China. He said that this means to take the two-line struggle between Marxism-Leninism and revisionism right amongst the masses and arm them with it. He said that the class struggle summed up at the First Conference of American Marxist-Leninists and by the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists must be taken out among the masses, the Marxist-Leninists should unite with all who are willing to sit together and sort out differences, while at the same time they should launch vigorous struggles on the propaganda front against the monopoly capitalists and their revisionist agents on every important question faced by the masses.

The speeches were warmly received by the comrades and friends present and informal discussion was held. Several important points were brought forward: 1) that the Tenth Congress of the Communist Party of China re-affirmed that modern revisionism, and not "ultra-leftism" and dogmatism, is the main enemy in the working class movement today. Those who are saving that "ultra-leftism" and dogmatism are the main enemies are themselves refusing to come under the discipline of the advanced experience of the International Communist Movement, transform themselves while waging struggles against modern revisionism and execute the fundamental task of building the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party. Instead, they themselves are practicing all the revisionist theories and methods while waving the Red Book and claiming to be great followers of China. 2) The same characters are attempting to use the vigorous development of the International United Front against U.S. imperialism and Soviet social-imperialism to say that the main task for American Marxist-Léninists is to build the "united front" and not to build the Party. This is a complete distortion of all the lessons of the history of the Communist Party of China, which have taught that only by building and consolidating the Marxist-Leninist Communist Party through the struggles against modern revisionism can the united front be built, led and developed. It was further pointed out that to speak in this way of a united front without building the Party is to inevitably promote a reformist united front and within its ranks to liquidate the struggle for the Marxist-Leninist political line and liquidate the building of . a genuinely Marxist-Leninist Party. Thus these friends of the "united front" turn out to be friends of a reformist united front and enemies of the revolutionary united front that will develop with the building of a genuinely Marxist-Leninist Communist Party. There was enthusiastic discussion of these and other points by the comrades and friends present.

End item.

15 - LAIRD CALLS INFLATION A "GOOD PROB-LEM"

Boston, September 18 (Workers' Daily) - On September 11, during an interview on CBS-TV, Melvin R. Laird, chief domestic advisor to Richard Nixon and former Secretary of "Defense", declared that inflation is "a good problem, not a bad problem" because it was the result of "pentup dollars" abroad being spent on American food. He further said that the Nixon Administration was planning to lure dollars spent abroad back into the U.S. by putting thousands more farm acres into production and increasing the supply of food.

From the point of view of the proletariat, these. are the ravings of a madman. Between July 15 and August 15 of this year, prices of raw farm products have increased by 26.1%, poultry has gone up by 36%, and all meat products have risen by 24%. In period between January II, 1973, when Nixon imposed the "Phase III" wage and price "controls", to June 13, when he imposed a price "freeze", prices of retail food rose by 22.4%. Since the lifting of the price "freeze", prices have been further skyrocketing. For the millions and millions of working people, who make up over 90% of the population of the United States, these skyrocketing prices are an unmitigated disaster. Many families, having long ago given up the practice of eating meat, are now having trouble buying beans. But to Laird and his monopoly capitalist masters, this inflation is "a good problem, not a bad problem". This only reveals that the United States is a class society and what is a "good problem" for the tiny handful of monopoly capitalists is a bad problem for the overwhelming majority of the people while what is madness from the point of view of the proletariat is good policy for the monopoly capitalists.

According to Laird, the cause of rising food prices is "foreign demand", that is, the so-called "pent-up dollars" abroad being spent on American food. This is a big lie pushed by the monopoly capitalists to cover up their drive for maximum profits at the expense of the impoverishment of the working people. While it is true that exports of U.S. farm products have sharply increased, Laird would have us believe that this is because the working people of other countries have suddenly become wealthy and radically increased their demand for American farm products. But there has been no drastic increase in the incomes of the working people of the capitalist and revisionist countries or of the countries of the Third World; the only countries in the world where the incomes of the working people have steadily increased are the genuinely socialist countries, led by China and Albania, where the workers are the masters and have no need to make largescale purchases of foodstuffs from the capitalist world. In fact, the real cause of this "foreign demand" and "pent-up dollars" is the frenzied drive for profits and world economic hegemony of the U.S. monopoly capitalists, and not the actions of anyone else. In particular, it results from two tactics adopted by the monopoly capitalists to attempt to place the burden of their

deepening economic crisis onto the backs of the wing people: 1) the recent dollar devaluations by the U.S. monopoly capitalists, and 2) last fall's huge grain deal with the Soviet Union.

The dollar devaluations by the U.S. monopoly capitalists have lowered the prices of U.S. farm goods on the world market, since money is the eq uivalent of commodities and the devaluation of the dollar amounts to a price cut in American goods for the holder of foreign currencies. So, while the U.S. monopoly capitalists have used the dollar devaluations to sell more goods abroad and comba their trade deficit (regaining the "pent-up dollars" the real effect at home has been to develop scarcities of food that otherwise would be more plentiful on the market, driving up their prices and increasing the profits of the monopoly capitalists. As Comrade Marx said, "All past history proves that whenever such a depreciation of money occurs, the capitalists are on the alert to seize this opportunity for defrauding the workman." In this case the monopoly capitalist state machine create the opportunity so that the capitalists can defraud the working people.

The U.S. -Soviet grain deal was even more influential in raising the prices of food. Last fall the Soviet Union bought 19 million tons of grain from the U.S. monopoly capitalists, including one quarter of the U.S. wheat crop and large amounts of other grains. Since that time the prices of food, feed grains and meat, which are: closely inter-related, have risen at their fastest rates since World War II. Coupled with the dollar devaluations, the grain deals (9.7 million tons are contracted for sale to the Soviet Union this year) have resulted in shortages of all these goods. For example, over three quarters of this year's wheat crop is contracted for export. As a result, despite record crops last year and one predicted for this year's harvest, the combined domestic and export demand has exceeded supply and stocks of grain hoarded by the monopoly capitalists and their state machine are being sold off. This manufactured shortage has caused prices to skyrocket. The rising prices of wheat and other grains have meant that feed for poultry and other livestock has also jumped in price, causing sharp increases in their final prices.

Thus it can be seen that the food shortages and the sharply rising prices resulting from them are not the result of "foreign demand", as the monopoly capitalists claim, but the "foreign demand" itself is brought about by the U, S, monopoly capitalists. This exposes how the state machine is an instrument of the monopoly $cap_{\pi 1}$ italists for the exploitation of the working at him people. First, the political representatives in a of the monopoly capitalist class, Nixon, Laird and their cohorts, devalue the dollar to advance their drive for hegemony over the world market and to super-exploit the working people at home. Then, behind the backs of the American working class, they make a deal with the other superpower, the Soviet social-imperial-

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ists, with whom they are both colluding and contending for world hegemony against the working people of the entire world, including the people of their own countries. Thus it is the U.S. monopoly capitalist class and its drive for maximum profits and world economic hegemony which is the real cause of the rising food prices faced by the American working people.

A further example of double-dealing of the monopoly capitalists, as carried out by their state machine, can be seen in the real effect of the socalled price "freeze" imposed by Nixon on wholesale and retail food prices from June 13 to July 18 of this year. Under "Phase III" of wage and price "controls", retail food prices rose 22.4% When the "freeze" was imposed, prices of live animals and grains were allowed to rise freely. These were the very commodities that the grain deal had created shortages of. The result was that while retail and wholesale prices were steady, the prices of live animals and grain skyrocketed, so that the price of feed rose out of control. The smaller farmers were unable to afford to raise poultry and other livestock and the slaughter of cartle and of baby chicks took place on a large scale. The destruction of these productive forces meant that when Nixon "lifted" the price "freeze" on July 18, still worse shortages occurred and the prices rose at the fastest rate to date. This is how the state machine uses wage and price "controls" to manipulate supply by destroying productive forces, creating shortages, forcing prices up to astronomical heights and thereby greatly increasing the exploitation of the working people and maximizing the profits of the monopoly capitalists.

This is how inflation is "a good problem" for Melvin Laird and his class of parasites. The rapacious greed of the monopoly capitalist system, along with the unconcealed subservience of its state machine in stepping up the exploitation of the working masses, only teaches us that there is nothing good in the monopoly capitalist class or its state machine. As Comrade Marx said, "the whole history of modern industry shows that capital, if not checked, will recklessly and ruthlessly work to east down the whole working class to this utmost state of degradation." The only remedy for the working class to the problem of soaring prices of the

every-day necessities of life is for the working class to organize itself into its own Marxist-Leninist Communist Party and follow the path pointed out by Comrade Marx in the Communist Manifesto 125 years ago: by the "violent overthrow of the bourgeoisie" to "raise the proletariat to the position of ruling class... (and) use its political supremacy to wrest, by degrees, all capital from the bourgeoisie, to centralise all instruments of production in the hands of the state, i.e., of the proletariat organised as the ruling class; and to increase the total of productive forces as rapidly as possible." With the formation of the Central Organization of U.S. Marxist-Leninists, the American proletariat has taken an important step on just such a path. End item.

16 - U.S., USSR SPY ON EACH OTHER IN SKY
Peking, August 8 (Hsinhua) - "The U.S. and
Russia - with all the talks of warmer relations are spying on each other as avidly as at the height of the cold war", noted the latest issue of
the U.S. News and World Report.

The U.S. journal pointed out that "during the past five years, Russia has routinely placed about 30 reconnaissance satellites into orbit annually. The U.S. average over the same period has been around from U.S. satellites are more sophisticated and longer-lived than those of the USSR."

The journal observed that "this espionage has been stepped up sharply in the past six months", "during the first six months of 1973, both nations launched what was previously a full year's quota — apparently in preparation for the June summit meeting between President Nixon and Soviet leader Leonid I. Brezhnev. Each leader came to that conference armed with a staggering array of facts about the other's military capability."

The journal also noted that these espionage activities of the U.S. and the USSR are not only directed against each other but also against other countries.

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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.