

PROLETARIAN GOB

ONLY WHEN THE WORKING CLASS IS COMPLETELY OUT OF CONTROL
WILL WE BE ABLE TO TAKE REAL CONTROL OF OUR LIVES



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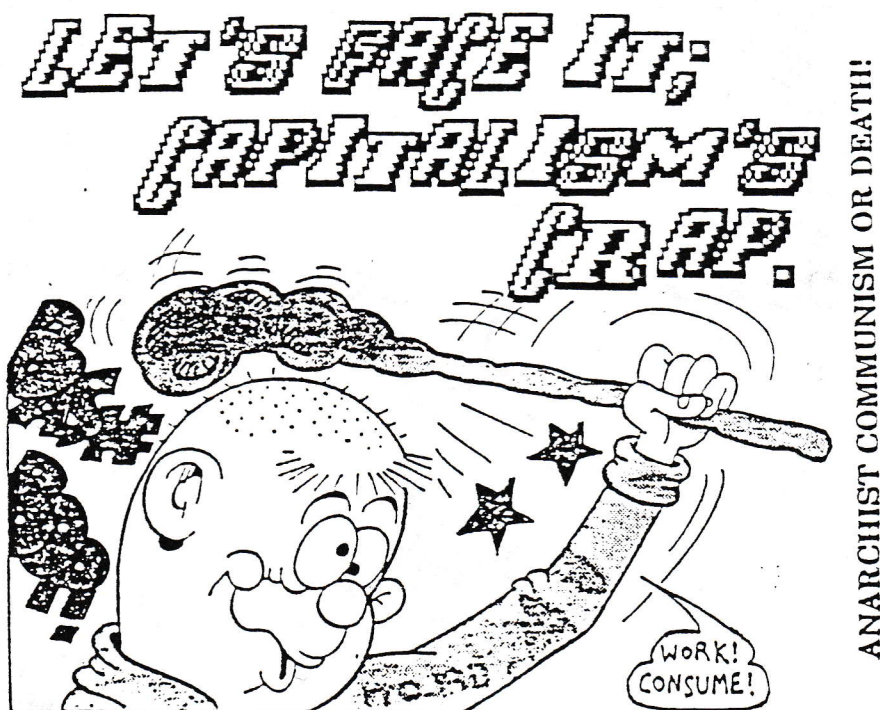
NELSON MANDELA CALLED 'SCUMBAG'!

AND MORE...

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PROLETARIAN GOB is anti-capitalist, anti-State and anti-authoritarian.
PROLETARIAN GOB is for the creation of a worldwide, free human community, which can only be achieved by the conscious actions of a revolutionary proletariat acting for itself and not at the direction of some 'Revolutionary Party'.

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WHAT ARE LEFTIES?

What do left wing political types really stand for? Although they may have certain tactical differences, we can safely say that the term 'left' can cover everything from the left wing of the Labour Party to various so-called 'revolutionary' organisations or Parties usually with the words 'socialist', 'workers', or 'revolutionary' in their name.

These sort of people often support worthy causes. For example, they might be anti-sexist and anti-racist, they might be vegans, they might oppose the destruction of the rest of the natural environment, they might support strikers, go to various demonstrations and even take part in riots. However, lefties are a few other things as well.

Lefties often find themselves supporting tyrants in the 'third world' or 'undemocratic' countries because they are called 'national liberation movement', are fighting 'imperialist' powers (like the USA), and make a few references to Marx, Lenin, or 'socialism' in general. They are against the scumbag John Major, but for the scumbag Nelson Mandela.

'Imperialism' won't be eradicated until capitalism is destroyed the world over and the Nation State as a political and geographical form ceases to exist.

Lefties say they are against 'fascism' but often admire aspects of totalitarian regimes like Cuba or Vietnam or Libya or Zimbabwe.

Lefties say they support a better deal for the working class. But lots of lefties have been in power this century (from Lenin and Trotsky, to Mugabe, to Castro, the Sandinistas, Salvador Allende, Gough Whitlam, Harold Wilson, etc.) and what did the working class get out of it? Bugger all of course.

The main aim of lefties is, in fact, to make capitalism seem a bit nicer to us all. Many people make the mistake of thinking that lefties are against capitalism, but even extreme left wingers aren't against capitalism - if they were against capitalism then they couldn't be called left-wingers.

The secret project of all variants of the left wing is to save capitalism. When capitalism itself was under threat from the revolutionary workers in Russia from 1917 to

1921, who saved it? Lenin, Trotsky, and the Bolshevik Party.

The left wing means the left of Capital (or capitalism). Capitalism can be implemented in a variety of ways. A 'softer' capitalism (e.g. full employment, more housing, better health service, etc) is seen as being a left wing implementation. Right wingers prefer to see 'more competition', 'less State intervention', etc.

In fact, these terms mean very little, since Hitler, for example, is seen as a right winger, but he helped create full employment in Germany as a way of getting out of a severe recession. Stalin was a left winger, but he did nasty things like killing off political opposition and creating a huge war machine. These are supposed to be the traits of a right winger!

So what was the difference between Stalin of The Communist Party of the Soviet Union, and Hitler, the well-known fascist? Clearly not much for the working class.

Left wingers are often confused people. This is because a lot of their appeals go to the working class ("working class - unite and fight!"), and they may genuinely want to make things nicer for us, but on the other hand they support capitalism. And capitalism, remember, is an economic system that relies on the exploitation of workers.

Some lefties might say that what we need to do is get rid of all the old bosses and put in their place representatives of a 'Workers Party'. Being naturally 'socialist' a Workers Party would make sure that all profits extracted from the labour of the workers would go back to them: in the form of decent housing, efficient health care, full employment, protection from foreign invaders and internal trouble-makers, and more parks to walk around in on the weekends.

Well, that just looks like a change of bosses to me. This is what has already been tried in Russia, Cuba, Vietnam and other 'socialist' countries - and were the workers happy? Not very! In fact, lots of them had to be rounded up, thrown into prison, or shot because they thought that these Workers States weren't run in the interests of the workers at all. And what about freedom? If all you want is something to do all day, three

square meals, and an exercise yard, then you may as well go to prison. It doesn't seem worth fighting for, that's for sure.

Workers who support a Workers Party and want a Workers State are being fools to themselves, as well as embryonic tyrants. The only thing that will guarantee us freedom (from want as well as oppression) is the ending of wage slavery: the destruction of capitalism and the eradication of all bosses.

"But", you may interject, "Lefties say capitalism is bad and they are against it!" They do often say things like this, but if they really meant it they would:

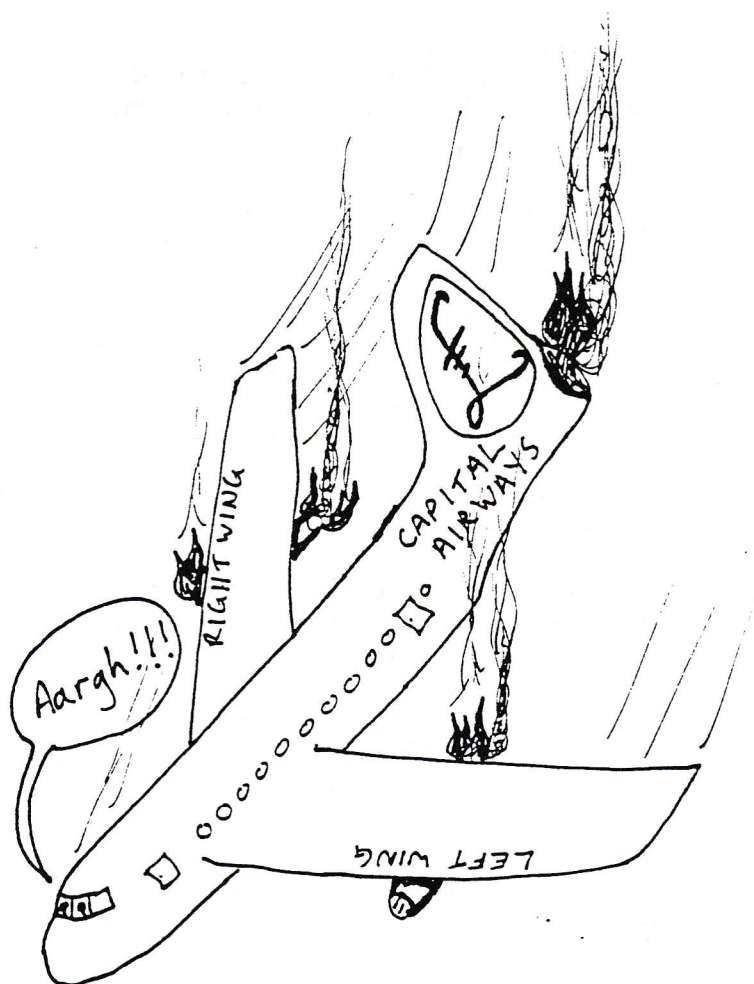
- 1) Argue for the immediate abolition of money and exchange (trade) in a revolutionary event.
- 2) Argue that it is up to the revolutionary workers - not some Party acting in their name - to seize the means of production (land, factories, etc) and abolish all property rights to them. The fields, streets, production and distribution centres will be owned by everyone and no one at the same time.
- 3) Argue for the destruction of the State, which is always the protector of the economic system (i.e. the machinery - police, courts, democracy, etc - that makes exploitation of workers 'legal'). To understand that any State has to be anti-working class.
- 4) Argue for the eradication of any form of hierarchy in 'revolutionary' organisation. The 'Revolutionary Party', with its hierarchical structure, Party bosses, Experts, and Paper-selling Flat-Foots only recreates the hierarchy and domination found in capitalist society.
- 5) Be against the unions, which are inevitably more concerned with the survival and prosperity of the economy and their own power than they are with the workers.
- 6) Be against all forms of nationalism and to understand the international nature of the working class: we who

have no country, and want the world.

- 7) Be against any association or dialogue with anti-working class bodies.
- 8) Be honest.
- 9) Be for a classless, moneyless, oppressionless and free human community.

If these lefty types really agreed with the above, then they would be abandoning their support for capitalism and class society (whether the ruling class are the rich or Party bosses), they would not be called supporters of the left wing of Capital any more. However, it's unlikely they would agree, since leftism is such a good career for a lot of 'ambitious', patronising and sneaky gits.

Our enemy is capitalism and oppression in all its forms: whether it is right wing or left wing it makes no difference. **Death to all the wings of capitalism!**



NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS

'Imperialism' has traditionally been seen as the tendency of capitalism to expand into other countries or regions, however, since it is only natural for capitalism to constantly try to expand and find new markets (whether these new markets are geographic or created by some new innovation or development, eg. the leisure industry) then the word is really meaningless. Fighting 'imperialism' is a total waste of time for the working class unless they merely want to change the nationality of their bosses. It is capitalism that needs to be fought, not 'foreign' bosses at the favour of 'native' bosses.

Lefties often support nationalist movements against 'imperialism'. This means, for example, that lefties supported Ho Chi Minh and his Vietnamese Communist Party against the USA and 'Western imperialism'. It means that they support the PLO, Sinn Fein/IRA, the ANC, and a host of other so-called 'freedom fighters'. Some of this support is often called by lefties 'critical support': this is when they are worried about associating themselves too closely with pro-capitalist and anti-working class organisations and regimes (eg. PLO, IRA, Zimbabwe, Cuba, Vietnam, etc.).

Support for 'national liberation movements' has a long history on the left. Earlier this century Lenin and others believed that the European working class should ally itself with the emergent, and nationalistic, bourgeoisie (big and small capitalists) of 'colonial' (now 'third world') countries. To fight the power of the European and American bourgeoisie it was, and still is, argued that the working class should aid the bourgeoisie of 'small' countries (like India in Lenin's day) in their nationalist aspirations.

The cannon fodder for such aspirations is invariably the working class, we have a long history of aiding our future oppressors to power.

It happened in the world's first bourgeois revolution, in England in the 17th century, it happened in the French Revolution of 1789, it happened in Russia in 1917. All these revolutions were, in the end, bourgeois, they changed forever the political and economic conditions of the countries they occurred in and made possible a more efficient exploitation of the working class through 'industrialisation'.

Countries like Vietnam or Nicaragua would be described as having capitalist economies prior to their 'revolution', but they would also be regarded as 'backward economies' in a world sense, and the most important capitalists in the country would be 'foreigners' (eg. USA).

Bourgeois elements would encourage and support a national liberation movement in such countries primarily because if the foreign power is kicked out then they can take over its economic operations. And the new Constitution will guarantee their property interests and ambitions. Elements of the working class will support a national liberation movement because they mistakenly believe that things will be better for them in the short and long run if their masters are from their 'own' country. Some workers will see the chance to become bourgeois through a national liberation struggle.

Sometimes there might be an existing bourgeoisie in a country that manages to seize the major means of production (and therefore political power) off the fleeing 'foreign' power. But often the local bourgeoisie is 'recreated' or has to secure political power before it can make profits for itself. After a modern 'revolution' (i.e., kicking out the foreign power) it will usually be deemed necessary by the ruling Party to 'reconstruct' the economy (eg, through nationalisation), this will be because the departing foreign power has left the economy 'in ruins', by withdrawing investment, for example. Thus all hands must be directed to the national effort once more. When workers start complaining that their new bosses are no better than the old bosses and that they have got nothing out of their so-called 'liberation', then things start getting nastier.

After the USA departed from Nicaragua in 1979 the Sandinistas, hailed by lefties the world over, introduced 'militarisation of labour'. Under the guise of accusing the workers of not working hard enough to prevent the failure of the 'revolution' the Sandinistas clamped down on workers' opposition to the regime. This opposition wasn't pro-American or for the restoration of the old regime, it came out of a realisation that the Sandinistas weren't much better than the old bosses.

You can't control the economy if you don't

control the workers. Of course, if you support capitalism then what the Sandinistas (and Lenin, Trotsky, Stalin, Ho Chi Minh, Castro, etc, before them) did would seem perfectly correct - how could the country survive without a strong government? Would (foreign or local) capitalists want to invest in enterprises (business or industry, etc) when the State couldn't make the workers do what it wanted them to do? In international relations the Sandinistas would be a laughing stock, and they would have to be replaced by foreign powers - because worse than having an independent-minded government to the world (and Nicaraguan) bourgeoisie is having a country with no government at all and the workers in control of their own lives.

In Northern Ireland, a fully industrialised area, the dominant nationalist (separatist) grouping is the Sinn Fein/IRA. This group has a lot of working class support from people who hate the British State. However, it is no secret that Sinn Fein/IRA would like to be in charge of their own State.

Sinn Fein/IRA is pro the local 'Irish' bourgeoisie, it supports 'Irish' business against 'British' business. (This, by the way, is part of what makes SF/IRA left wing, along with some stale Marxist rhetoric.) This means that Sinn Fein/IRA believes that it is perfectly acceptable for Irish workers to be the wage slaves of an 'Irish' bourgeoisie, but not acceptable that they should be the wage slaves of 'foreigners' (the British bourgeoisie).

Sinn Fein/IRA is pro-capitalist. Anything or anyone who is pro-capitalist must, by definition (because capitalism exists through the profits - or surplus value - extracted from the labour of workers), be anti-working class. The SF/IRA has proved its authoritarian and anti-working class nature again and again, most graphically perhaps by physically stopping working class riots against the State, not supporting workers who strike against their 'Irish' bosses, and knee-capping people who joyride in stolen cars. Who needs the British police with order-keepers like these?

The left, in Britain at least, has 'critical support' for the SF/IRA. This means they support nationalism (a brilliant divider of the working class), and capitalism, with a couple of minor reservations. Class conscious workers will have no time for these anti-

working class wankers.

Nationalist movements are also anti-working class because the working class is international, national boundaries aren't in our interests, they only serve the interests of those who want to keep us weak, divided and subservient.

Not one national liberation movement has ever argued that the bases of capitalism should be destroyed, that all forms of money or exchange (trade) should be abolished, and that the working class of all countries should unite in overthrowing the tyranny of all bosses and create a free human community. And why should they? National liberation movements only offer more oppression, more tyranny, and more wage slavery.

We must be unflinchingly opposed to all forms of nationalism and all bosses.



LETTERS

Dear P.G.,

I have not seen Proletarian Gob yet, but I think the title is really crap. I've heard that this so-called magazine/broadsheet/few bits of A4 paper stapled together is to express ideas from a class struggle anarchist communist perspective. Do you (whoever you are) really think that another magazine/ broadsheet/ few bits of paper stapled together is needed in the present political climate, when other magazines (such as Dog Kennel Weekly), are struggling for readers? Will you be doing bingo?

Your imaginary correspondent, Derek.

P.G. reply:

The pro-capitalist, pro-nationalist, anti-working class, left wing Bolsholist Bankers Party has described the present political climate as being in a Sideturn, somewhere in Shepherds Bush. They used to say it was in a Downturn but no one could find any Downturns on the map, only downtowns. Since the locating of the political climate in a Sideturn in West London the Bolsholist Plank-Heads Party have sent more of the Party faithful out to sell their paper 'Bolsholist Borer'. This has increased Party revenues, but still nothing has been done about the emancipating of the proletariat which, anyway, we all know can only be achieved by the proletariat itself and not some Party of 'representatives'.

Proletarian Gob is against all types of 'Workers Party' and any form of leftism. Anarchist Communism or Death!

Today's lucky numbers are: 7, 12, 19, 22,

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Dear P.G.,

Just how important are one's class origins when embarking on the revolutionary project? I've heard middle class people say that all revolutionaries come from the middle class, that the working class, or proletariat, is too thick to create a revolution. However, some revolutionaries say that the only class that can perpetrate a revolution is the working class. So do the working class need to be led by the middle class in a revolution? I myself am descended from a long line of lower nobility and door-to-door cosmetic salespeople from Southend, does this exclude me from being a revolutionary, or does it make me a natural leader?

Your imaginary correspondent, Derek.

P.G. reply:

Firstly, Derek, class is defined by its relation to the means of production. Thus there are three basic classes: the big owners of the means of production, i.e. the bourgeoisie or ruling class; the smaller owners of the means of production, i.e. small businesses, which is the petty bourgeoisie or middle class; and those who own no means of production and are forced to live off wages or the dole, this is the proletariat or working class.

Class is essential in understanding this society and which peoples' interest are served most by the complete destruction of capitalism and classes. It is, of course, the working class (the employees, not employers) which would benefit most by the end of wage slavery, money, exchange (any form of trade), and authoritarianism in all its guises. This makes it the revolutionary class.

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A lot of what is commonly called the 'middle class' these days is, in fact, part of the proletariat - for example, 'professional' people, like doctors, technicians, social workers, journalists, managers, etc. If these people do not own their own business, or do not live off their shareholdings in various companies then they are wage slaves (proletarians) - despite their attitudes, income or 'social power'.

However, some member of this professional group (e.g. journalists, social workers, psychiatrists, managers, or union bureaucrats) actively operate against the working class by actively trying to maintain the status quo. These people, therefore, like the police or priests, have become a material enemy of the working class by the job they do, even though they are not technically our class enemy (like the bourgeoisie or petty bourgeoisie/real middle class).

Apart from these types, there are the people in this 'professional/Expert' group who are not active or material enemies of the working class because of their job. For example, NHS doctors, or university-trained engineers - these people do not have to actively maintain the status quo everyday and therefore will not necessarily have to be materially smashed in a revolutionary event. (Journalists, for example, will have their offices and seats of power trashed, may be lynched, or at least pushed naked through town in a wheelbarrow in order to be ridiculed and humiliated).

So, it is wrong to call proletarians 'middle class' because of their attitude, upbringing, or job they do - however, we are right to be wary of all professionals and Experts, they are generally the people who help capitalism to run smoothly, and if they have any experience of class struggle it is usually as participants on the side of the bourgeoisie. In the past, when members of this group have involved themselves in workers struggles (on the workers' side) they have usually only helped to distract and defeat any anti-capitalist and anti-State elements.

It so happens that most of the leaders of groups such as the SWP, Militant, RCP or WRP come from this professional/Expert group. But even if these groups were led by car park attendants or cleaners, it wouldn't make them revolutionary, these organisations are hierarchical and left wing, which means they want to boss us around and they support their own version of capitalism (wage slavery and exploitation).

The idea that the working class is 'too thick to create a revolution' is just patronising claptrap, and shows a lack of awareness of proletarian history and a fear of the working class being out of control.

If this professional/Expert group (what you mistakenly call 'the middle class') leads the working class in a 'revolution' then it won't be a revolution, but merely a change of bosses.

Any organisation which calls itself 'revolutionary' and has a hierarchy of order-givers and order-takers is plainly not revolutionary. I'm not going to 'follow orders' from 'revolutionary leaders' either now or in a revolution. Revolutionaries are inspired by the thought of sending all bosses to their graves.

Your origins are obviously important in shaping how you think, but becoming a revolutionary (whether it takes 2 weeks or 10 years) entails a lot of changes in perception, from whatever situation you were born in to. Your origins aren't as important as whose side you take now. But taking sides with the working class doesn't just mean cheering on from the sidelines while you look after your career as supermarket manager, foreperson, union bureaucrat, or social worker. You can't fight the system while you're actually giving the orders that make it work.

Having said that, it is silly to glorify sections of the working class or be 'proud' of the accident of your birth. The revolutionary project is all about the material transcending of classes. I want a world human community based on mutual aid and cooperation - not a society based on the exploitation of one class by another. And it is only from the class struggle that the world revolution will emerge.

STUDENTS

It is wise to distrust college or university students: they are our future Managers and Experts. The main task of a University is to produce people who are able to think in a managerial way, who have absorbed enough of modern 'culture and ideology' to not only believe in it but be able to pass it on or adapt it in difficult circumstances.

You don't go to University to get work as a cleaner, or a van driver, you go to University to become a manager (of anyone or anything!) or an Expert.

Universities aren't for everyone: if anyone could go to University society would have too many managers and not enough people to do the 'shit-work.' University is not there to 'educate' in a general, altruistic or neutral sense - it is there to give a certain percentage of the population (mainly from the middle and upper classes) the skills and attitudes needed to become managers or to become the 'formulators' of 'public opinion'.

How many social workers, psychiatrists, psychologists, doctors, architects, journalists, philosophers, anthropologists, historians, etc., do you know of who didn't go to some sort of University?

These sort of people help shape the way society thinks.

Social workers and psychologists try to calm us down and fit us neatly into the order of things, i.e., to socialise us. Architects build our living areas for us (one of their lasting monuments is the high-rise block of flats). Doctors treat us like objects on an assembly line, and keep us fit for more work. Journalists tell us lies because the Bosses own the media, or just because they really are pathetically stupid.

Anthropologists tell us about 'our human nature', forgetting that we live in a class society and there is no such thing as 'people' in a general sense - there is, however, the rulers and the ruled and the all-pervasive, exploitative economic system: capitalism. A human who grows up solely in the company of dogs becomes, to all intents and purposes, a dog - what does this say about our so-called 'human nature' and the ways we are conditioned?

It's not so long ago that people regarded working for a wage for five or six days a week as virtually impossible and positively life-threatening. It is only relatively recently that families consisting only of mother, father and children have been closed up in separate dwelling places - separate from even their neighbours and divorced entirely from any real human community. While anthropologists lie to us about our present conditions, historians lie to us about the past. And they all make a lot of money.

Of course, these Experts may not all be lying to us on purpose, but they cannot be forgiven, even for their stupidity. Whatever their excuse, it's too late for them.

Today's Experts are the modern equivalent of medieval priests, and Universities are their ideological fortresses.

We don't need Experts to calm us down, mystify and control us - we need to collectively take control of our own lives and sweep this scum, as well as all bosses, authority and exploitation, into oblivion.

Who are students? They are the future mediators of our oppression. The only way they could start to redeem themselves would be to burn the Universities down.

For the abolition of work!



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