

To all who are concerned about the growing attacks on our economic and political well-being.
 To all who are alarmed by the rise of racist and fascist terror.
 To all who fear the growing danger of war.
 Turn your concern into unity and action.

Build the Democratic Front Against Fascism and War!

Signs everywhere point to the growing danger of fascism and war in the United States. It is not the election of Ronald Reagan or the rise of the KKK which is ushering in fascism, but the crisis and decay of US imperialism which is ushering in Ronald Reagan and the KKK. The first 100 days of the Reagan regime have demonstrated that a foundation for a fascist state is being laid today in the U.S.

Across the country progressive people are calling for unity in the face of the growing attacks on our democratic rights, living standards, and escalating war danger. They are calling for an end to the barbaric murder of more than two dozen Black children in Atlanta and the frame-up of the Pontiac Brothers in the largest civilian death penalty case in the history of the U.S.

The necessity for action and for unity is a powerful sentiment of all those who strive for progress, equality, democracy, and peace. There are already many organizations and individuals who are fighting against the growing reaction, racism, fascism and war. There are struggles against the budget cuts of Reagan, against the U.S. aggression in El Salvador, against the Klan, against police terror. But today, these battles are fought isolated from one another.

The tactics and strategy of imperialism is to perpetuate the disunity and disorganization of our movement, and to pit race against race, men against women, young against old.

Our tactics must be to unite all those who can be united in action against our common enemy. There exists a powerful basis for unity already. We must fight for the common program and forms of organization which can achieve this unity. It will not be easy to overcome the various obstacles to unity, but the gravity of the situation in our country makes this imperative. Unity is not

an option but a necessity.

Real unity of action must be based upon a definite program which reflects the actual struggles and demands of our movement. It must focus its attention on the dangers of a fascist state and imperialist war by the United States and the Soviet Union. It must be capable of uniting all those who actually fight in deeds for progress, equality, democracy, and peace.

Real unity of action must aim to forge multinational unity. Multinational unity is not an option but a necessity. We must wage a relentless struggle against all aspects of racism and white supremacy in our country. This means that white workers of our country have a special obligation to condemn the vicious murders and legal lynchings against minorities in this country, and condemn and oppose every manifestation of racism and white supremacy. The working people as a whole demand and require multinational unity for victory. All those who preach or practice segregation in any form must be exposed and opposed.

Unity of action around a definite program is not enough. The political force of the program requires the force of organization. Without concrete organization, the battle cannot be won. We must work to lend the democratic front that is growing in our country a definite organizational form, a form which unifies hundreds of organizations and thousands of individuals under a single banner of struggle, that is capable of organizing demonstrations, pickets, and other actions which can draw upon the many thousands. Organization must be developed to achieve this goal.

There is a powerful history of unity of action against fascism and war around the world, and in our country. Prior to World War II, in several countries a people's front emerged which had the working class at its foundation, but united as well progressive people who were facing fascism and war and opposed it. In the U.S., the American League Against War and Fascism organized millions during the 1930's.

This history must become a living example for today. But our struggle today must reflect the present condi-

tions of our world and our country. Today the U.S. and the Soviet Union are the biggest sources of fascism and war in the world. In the U.S., the danger of the existing dollar democracy being dumped and replaced with a fascist state is greater than ever before. But fascism is not inevitable. It was not inevitable in Germany, and it is not inevitable in the U.S. It can and must be stopped. But the time to unite in action is now. To oppose every policy of the regime which prepares for a fascist state at home and for imperialist war abroad. To educate and organize the progressive people against the actual dangers of fascism and war. To prepare to meet the terror of the police, army, and fascist gangs with self-defense.

All men and women today must choose between fascism and democracy. There is no middle ground. There is no time to wait. The sides of the battle are clear. On the one hand stand the forces of reaction, race hatred, fascism, and international aggression. They are well-organized and backed by Wall Street all along the line. It is Wall Street which stands behind the White House and the KKK, and it is Wall Street which must be our target.

On the other side stand the forces for progress, equality, democracy and peace, who represent the natural development of society. We oppose in every way those who seek to push back the clock on progress, to usher in a new barbarism and reaction. The entire democratic tradition of our country stands on our side. We are the heirs of the Sons of Liberty and the Abolitionists. Our fight against fascism in the U.S. and imperialist world war is the fight of the working and poor people of the entire world.

Now is the time to act! Now is the time to turn the tide against fascism and imperialist aggression! Now is the time for unity of action against our common enemies, imperialism and reaction!

Unite to Fight For:

PROGRESS, EQUALITY, DEMOCRACY & PEACE!

For PROGRESS, for the steady advance of both the material and spiritual well-being of the working people, the advance of science and culture. To oppose every attempt to turn back the tide of history, the development of the productive forces and relations of production.

For EQUALITY, for the complete equality of all races and nationalities in every aspect of life, programs which genuinely advance the struggle for equality between men and women, different equality between men and women, different nationalities, young and old. Genuine equality, not merely in law, but in life, is not only a moral responsibility but a necessity. It is a precondition for genuine unity.

For PEACE, for the destruction of the war making ability of the superpowers and an end to all aggression by the imperialist powers and reactionary regimes. To fight for the right and ability of all peoples to defend themselves against aggression. Although peace will not be secured as long as imperialism exists, we can fight the aggressive policies which constantly threaten peace.

For DEMOCRACY, for the most consistent and complete extension of democracy. Under capitalism, democracy can never be complete for the people, but its limits can be pushed forward. To fight for every measure that will increase the power of the people over their material and cultural conditions of life.

Unite to Fight Against:

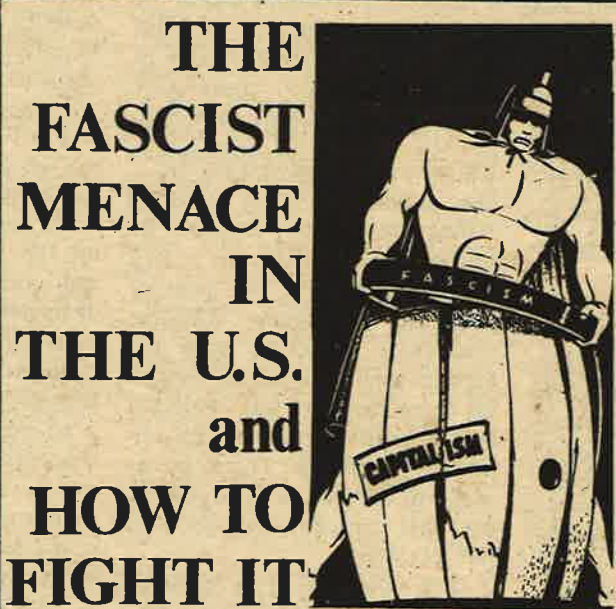
REACTION, RACISM, FASCISM & WAR!

Against REACTION, every form of social injustice and oppression of men and women, youth and the aged, all races and nationalities, in the cities and on the farms. Against every effort to turn back the clock on social progress in education, law, family life and every field of society.

Against RACISM, to oppose every manifestation of white supremacy and racial hatred, every instance of terror and violence against national minority people. To work to defeat the KKK and all racist organizations.

Against FASCISM, to educate and organize the democratic and peace-seeking people against the fascistization of the state and against the menace that fascism represents. To broaden the current struggles of the people into a conscious anti-fascist front.

Against WAR, to expose the preparations of the U.S. and U.S.S.R. for a new imperialist war. To oppose registration and the draft. To oppose U.S. intervention in El Salvador and elsewhere. To fight for the withdrawal of all U.S. troops from foreign soil and from all aggressive treaties and alliances such as NATO and NORAD. To oppose Soviet aggression, the Warsaw Pact, and the growing Chinese aggression in Asia.



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is a new pamphlet from UNITE! which makes a vital contribution toward identifying the form fascism would take in the U.S., the present day fascist movement, and the forces of world imperialism which propel Wall Street toward a fascist solution to the crisis at home and abroad.

It discusses the present-day anti-fascist struggle and points out the necessity to forge a broad unity of action to build a democratic front which fights against reaction, racism, fascism and war, and fights for progress, equality, democracy and peace.

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