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ADELANTE MUJER !!

100 Chicana women from 8 states met in South Bend, Indiana, not too long ago to discuss the role of the more than 1/2 million Chicana women in the midwest. Keynote speakers were a Chicana member of the Raza Unida Party in Texas and a Chicana member of the National Women's Political Caucus. Workshops were held on social action, sex-stereotyping of Chicana women, bilingual education, childcare and family planning. Adelante Mujer! means onward, women!

YWCA FIGHTS RACISM

Some 2,000 people--mostly female and young--met in New York this summer for the YWCA National Convocation for Racial Justice. The goal was to develop programs to wipe out racism in US institutions. The Y has taken a strong stand against racism (relatively). In 1970, it announced its "imperative for 1970-1973 is the elimination of racism--wherever it exists--by any means necessary." Signs outside some of the NYC Ys read: "FIGHT RACISM! JOIN THE YWCA!"

CALIFORNIA:

BERKELEY PANTHERS ELECTED

Erika Huggins and 3 other members of the Black Panther Party were elected in community voting for seats on the board of directors of the local anti-poverty program. They are not the only Panthers heading for elective office: Chairman Bobby Seale of the Panthers has announced that he will run for Oakland, California Mayor next year--and Minister of Information Elaine Brown will try for City Council!

CITIZEN BLUES

Earl Nurmi

Woke up this morning
with the sky falling down
steel rain falling
and my head spinning round
no money in my pocket
my shoes full of stones
no food in my belly
and cold in my bones
read in the paper
that the law had set me free
told my woman all about it
she said to me "We'll see"

Spent all day looking
and didn't find a thing
Reverend told me Sunday
that the poor man would be king
"Blessed be the meek
and them who keep the peace"
Sheriff beat my mother
rednecks ganged my niece

They taught me in school
that the land belongs to me
they gave me the right to vote
choose tweedledum from tweedledee

And so I am a citizen of America the brave
and creditors will hound me
until I'm in my grave



"When a Communist can win a free election, I say there's something wrong with free elections!"

THE ALL-AMERICAN WAY

A campaign directed by the American Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born has begun to defend the rights of immigrants. The key enemy is the US House of Representatives, notoriously anti-foreigner, and a bill proposed by the House Immigration Committee which would issue identification cards for all US citizens so that "illegal" aliens in the US could be singled out. The committee charged that foreigners are flooding the job market and depriving US unemployed of jobs and "swamping" welfare rolls. The bill, which has the purpose of keeping aliens out of jobs, was denounced by the autoworkers' union (UAW). The failure of the US system to provide work for its people is not due to foreigners, but to the economic system itself, which depends on masses of unemployed workers to keep wages down and block total organization of workers.

BATHROOM REVOLT

Workers on the first shift at Chrysler's trim plant in Lyons, Michigan, were not allowed to leave the assembly line to go to the head! This shit had to stop! They staged a sit-down strike, closed down the plant, and won their demand for open use of the toilets.

PIGS vs. RENT-A-PIGS

Striking security guards fought with NYC police who tried to break up their picket line at the Daily News. The 65 security guards received the support of other unionized workers, including drivers. When scab drivers tried to move trucks past the picket line, fighting developed! All power to strikers moving against the state!

RACIST UNION HEAD NAILED

New York City United Federation of Teachers president Albert Shanker was walked out on in the middle of his speech by dozens of black delegates at the NEA (National Educational Association) convention. Shanker has been identified by the black community in New York and progressive union members of the UFT as a thorough racist--ever since his 1968 stand opposing black community control of black community schools.

ECOLOGY:

WORKERS THREATENED

The legislative director of the United Steelworkers said that workers were being blackmailed into opposing environmental legislation and action. John J. Sheehan said workers have been told that they could lose their jobs if pollution laws were enforced. Sheehan pointed out that many plant closings which are actually due to economic factors are blamed by the owners on anti-pollution legislation.

PROFITS UP, WAGES FROZEN

The US Bureau of Labor Statistics has reported that production per man-hour rose 6.1% in the second quarter of this financial year. This is production in non-financial institutions, meaning just about everything but banks, insurance companies, loan companies and other similar rip-off projects. Basically then, it's factory production which has increased--but the workers are not getting the benefits: the rise in wages per hour was only 4.6%. As usual, the fat cats at the top are raking off the extra production in the form of profits. The only way to get off this treadmill is to replace it with a system in which the workers own the factories (and the banks and everything else !!)

WAGE FREEZE: FOR WORKERS, NOT BOSSES

Nixon's Pay Board announced that the wage controls do not apply directly to the pay of corporation executives... (surprise!) In some cases, bosses have received 100% raises while workers are held to 5.5%.

Henry Ford II got a \$189,000 boost in 1971 to raise his earnings to \$689,000 per year! The highest salary of all? The \$812,000 per year for IT and T president Harold Geneen.



THE PROMOTER

NOW LET'S YOU AND HIM FIGHT!

