

DETROIT REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT RECORDS

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CONTINUATION COMMITTEE
NOTES 1974

4/15/74

Continuation Committee

Chuck John Leon, John Sollenberger, Al Stoddick

- Reggie McGee.

- Agenda

Introduction - Four principles of unity
Structure + Officers, Org. of Cont. C., Letter to Nat'l Comm.
Summarizing the Struggle Materials + doc. re
expulsion, Unity at time + place.

Reconstituted - purged ppl of old committee
CL + Capital Coll. ~~new~~ new m.c.c.; Study filed
Nat'l Comm. elected at Cont.

At. Gl. Structure + Officers

5 positions - ^{K.M.C.} Center ^{J.S.M.} Rec. Sec. ^{Jr. Legat.} Conv. Sec.
^{At. G.} Treasurer, ^{Legal} ~~Rep.~~ to Nat'l Cont. C., C. West.

John L. Subcommittees

1) Plan Study 2) Forums 3) Org. Committee
- Party Program -

Revised

2) Forum committee - line of party prog.

3) Org. committee - making contacts
Formal + then committee as a
whole wd make a decision to bring in.

4/28/74

4:00 P.M.

89 Worcester

7923289 Al Stoddick

Making
more explicit
the spirit & character
of the struggle

(3)

Cont. Comm.

Federation - not of independence.

Complete freedom to optate for secession.

Separation of nations but push for federation (Does not mean a centralism). Integration of nations only thru ^{action} a period of complete emancipation of all oppressed nations.

Calcutta

P.b. only struggles for self-det. in abstract. Communist req. secession.

Q of frontiers - What are the boundaries. No boundaries there is no nation.

- Q of dem. cent. = Win the Party in Prussia.

- Q of separation - pol. secession of a nation.

Granting to nations the rt to secede.

A-A = push secession.

NN = push internationalism.

Has to be struggle to push forward toward soc. rev.

Nat'l Q as a tactical Q.

ALGI imperialism sys base for nat'l Q. It was after Oct. Rev. Lenin moved to create the ec. base for the unity + equality of nations.

R.M.C.

RT of Nations to Self Det. Soc. Rev.; 5-Det. Summary

Militant nationalism can obstruct internationalism.

In 49 Cardinal Pts.

Assists Security of ALGI.

Speakers to be replaced by program revisionism
BWC + PRWO

423 / 74 Continuations Committee

- Agenda: Minutes; treasurer's rpt; nat'l committee; credential committee rpt; criticisms of anti-party Academy papers; criticisms of CE program; crit. of newsletter; crit. of letter to "A Study Circle"; subcommittee rpt - crit. of forum papers; education to the party.

BWC will meet w/ Nat'l C. Comm. This week re financial contributions & dues.

- Pol. rpt:
 - 1) Leadership - Who is chairman address etc
 - 2) Credentials finances, other org's
 - 3) Org'l affiliation included
 - 4) Pol. represented.

90
250
340

Pol. dev't - how are we being studied?
Contact of other groups.
"Support starts to program".

Finances - is there cooperation.

Expenses Registration they

Ed. committee

John Leon, Lyndal, Jollenberger, J. Leon

Smearing of lines.

→ Opportunities Vol. 1, 937 One Step Forward
Two Steps Back.

PRWO

- Democratic relations - Of principle
* A. That we have - open to newsletter ability
to carry out polemics.

BWC

* Diff betw Dem. rel. + Dem. cont.
* Struggle on pol. line.
* Org. for pol. line
* Fundamental diff.: 1) How unity
2) Basis of relations

→ 2d Long.

- Bitter struggle re Q of org'n:

> Matters of org'n are Qs of principle.

> Dem. relations vs. dem. centralism.

Content + Form - scientifically.

- ~~129/130~~ ^{Management} - Committee was purged from
Cont. Comm.

Purged w/o full debate.

Comrade
Alba
Karmel

Vanguard - industrial political.

1898 - Doomed to failure bec. no program
no rules.

One Step Forward, Two Steps Back

= Pol. discipline & intellectual discipline

→ Reply today - in terms of discipline.

Dialectics - fortunate this period.

6/30/74 Cont. Comm.

- ① minutes ; ② Reply from PRRWO ③ Rpt from NCC.
- ④ Study ⑤ Forum committee ⑥ Finance ⑦ ED-cabinet
- ⑧ Recruitment + selection - announcements.

→ Reply from PRRWO - Rpt on mtg of NCC

- ① Henjamic - mtg began re dem. cent. vs dem. relations.
Present - MCE + C.L. When PRRWO put out
the contradiction betw #2 + #5 then reply that
prin. of d.c. was achieved at 5/73 Cont.
It's not just dem. relations. Error committed
in earlier newsletters.

Very clear that not a matter of an error committed
& not a mistake. Process of dev't from Conf. to
now.

#2 - These pts of unity act as org'l guide
for the Cong. When pol. unity is achieved
then dem. cent. will apply. ~~It~~ changed points
Not opposed to d.c., but not in NCC.
There will be p'blems that now changed the org'n.

+ BWC shd write an article on d.c.

+ NB no unity reached at this mtg.

+ NCC stated 2 days later that BWC expelled
from NCC.

+ d.c. = minority is not spoken to.

+ Don't write that any action can occur until
this matter is clarified.

+ Opposition to BWC's expulsion.

RMC - ~~deciding~~ PRRWO - not writing w/ #5 -

It's no basis for unity w/ local committee.

MK - Get on w/ NCC but reply whether united w/ #5.

Elba - unity means work in action. Struggle re

pl. line - 2 pl. lines. Matter of principle. PRRWO -

Not not / Q, united front but Q of d.c.

Cannot continue to talk about further work as it.

BWC - ① Not / Q ② Cap. restored in Russia ③ No Socialist Camp,

Jose left.
5:58 P.M.

= "If in unity there is struggle!" NCC cannot move to write up ~~the~~ newsletter.

Q of opportunism + how it is handled.

- Given 48 hrs to write up criticisms.
- Positives + negatives in everything that happens.
- 2 different lines - broad Rev. vs. 2-cent.

BWC phug

Don't write anything + don't agree w/ what they do write up.

No money
No vol' rep.

ACI Splits appear to come down around form. Not strict party disc. What is the content?

mk "left" is polarized - it must build a party of a new type. Am Communist w/ ^{movement} (m-c). BWC will be writing around the nat'l Q + d-c.

→ Re: third world Q.

In future, struggle will not be so open.

→ ① Doc. in newsletter = theoretical doc.

- Lenin's Soc. Rev. + Rt of Self Det.
Rt of Nations to Self Det.
Marxism + Nat'l Q
Oct Rev + Nat'l Q

Q of Imperialism -

Struggle for Dem. - not a single act - whole epoch of acts. Not ^{single} the act of overthrowing the bourgeoisie. Struggle as Trotsky, Lin Piao, Lin Shao Chi.

Struggle for democracy - field of movement
Use demo activists to educate wkg class.

Nat'l Q - struggle for democracy which puts the rev. forward. Free up nations.

7/6/14 MAJ & PK

NCC, Rpt on CL+MCLL relations, nat'l sit, resolutions
Program + what we should do.

Papers: ① What papers ② What is Cong ③ Pubs
of Cong.

- Agenda:
- 1) Dissolve org & electing a presidium
State w/ regional rep, org'l, nat'l min.
 - 2) Draft program, resolutions Constit.
 - 3) Credentials committee will make it rpt
Delegates, fraternal groups, observers.
 - 4) Keynote - N. Perry
 - 5) Proposed program
 - 6) Draft constitution & rules
 - 7) Resolutions

Central Committee elections

2 main tasks: factory nuclei; pushing socialism.

Nat'l sit: 16 cont. committees = Albergue⁻⁴⁹⁸; Chicago
San Fran (CL, League for Part. Rev; San Jose Study Gp;
N. Oakland Study Gp; Earl Rose Study Gp;
L.A. - 2 from CL; 3 ref's from BWC; Ethiopian Students
Det.

Redwood City Collective, S. Fran. E. Bay Collective; East Palo Alto Collective
San Harris Study Circle.

→ ^{PK says} goal that CL set out - they have failed: 8/29 Movement
purged. "In relation to that agenda"

[Gen'l principle - the end of isolation]

Very little work subsequent to the Cong.

Very honest elements that could be brought in

→ Contradiction re the degree of iron discipline that is nec.
N. Perry, Kil.

7/7/74

L. Cont Comm. mtg
Minutes ^{AS6} / Reply to anti-party black recruitment + org in
Education Comm., MR Nat'l Colonial F, Corr. Sec,
Financial rpt, announcements.

Unity proposal

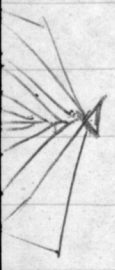
- ① Nat'l mtg. ←
- ② Mtg locally

Hist of Det.

- Calve school.
- ① ND
- May Day

Am.
 Opinion
 Bookstore
 Royal Oak

CL, Capital, CL = Structural leadership -
 J. Peters Org' / Structure



7/14/74

DLCC

Min., edit; Subcomm. Rpts, ^{Credentials} Recruit + Org
Letter to N.C.C., announcements, Letter to China (ass Tr.)
Financial Rpt, Credentials

Education

Q - What is the nat'l Q? When one has a problem one has a non-resolved contradiction. Relationship to productive forces + production determine ds. 5 social systems: Primitive, slave, feudal, cap., soc. Productive forces in contradiction to productive relations - in final analysis human beings make history.

- Various nations + levels of exploitation.
- Partly imp. for prod. in oppressor country. Cannot talk about exploitation w/o oppression. Politics concrete expression of economics. Superstructure ~~is~~ ^{derives} socialist base under dict./prot.

→ P.T. - Vol. 5, # 77 p. 6 Negro ppl. were hist'ly entrined ppl under slavery. "Black Belt" formed territory. Slavery provided common psychological ~~base~~ ^{base}. Additionally must have common ec. life - i.e. exchange betw. town + country. Classes - peasantry, prol. bourg., p.b. Could not have a nation until after defeat of reconstruction.

P. 51 of NNCD

Common ec. life = { all that is nec. is a proletariat + a peasantry - then there is exchange betw. town + country.

Harry Haywood - does not see the nation as a colony. [Prove that it is nation bec. of less pay, less culture, etc.] Oppressed politically. (But can't separate oppression from exploitation.)

The nation cannot disintegrate w/o socialism.

Marxism + Nat'l Q

Don't wait for nation to call for secession. Then separation we can have unity. "Only way to understand a thing is thru its opposite".

Connection betw NA Min. + the Nation - link to colonial work.
Negro Nat'l minority works as vanguard in relation to this Q.

Foreman } Feudalism in NA - there were slave relations + t/f
not part of capitalist production. These deviationists
say must struggle for democracy.

But we never had feudalism in fact,

Besides after Oct Rev. don't talk about completely
democr. rev. - talk instead of New Democracy.

Backgrd - 1930 resolutions (H13) - Comintern Documents

- CL expands the science.
- Comintern ass'd CPUSA to work in Negro Nation.

→ Recruitment + Org'n: Letter from Cass-Tumbull (rejected joining)

Will get on w/ Tri-City.

* Cabaret + Kzoo: ppl (be considered a cont. comm. study circle of MCLL
ass'n a prsn to that study circle → permanent study circle as one
for cont. comm.)

■ Cabaret: Radio stations - written ass'ts.