THE TAPEWORM TENDENCY

IS TROTSKYISM A LEFT WING DEVIATION?
As we pointed out in the Flag (Vol. V. No. 7) there are three main divisions of Marxism-Leninism:

1. Moscow line, the revised Stalinism;
2. Trotskyism, and its many splits and counter-splits: the old Stalinism sometimes interlaced with Bolshevist pre-revolution dynamism and sometimes with a total rejection of all Marxist dogmatism, as opposed to Leninist dogmatism;
3. The '57 varieties of Trotskyism.

Thus, whereas the leader of the Trotskyist Tendency makes the revolutionary party outmoded. Lenin's theory was based on the fact that there could only be one working class party — in defiance of the palpable fact that he had split from the main party (that he had 'sold out to the bourgeoisie'). In Leninist terms, the one party had to suppress all the others. But what if there were more than one Leninist party, each able to outflank or undercut the other?

We cited Portugal, where the Communist Party was in a 39 of seizing power, but it was overflanked by its rivals, which were also able to take power because they too were outflanked by yet another. And this is the modern dilemma of Marxism-Leninism: there will now always be another minor party, the real "vanguard of the proletariat" underselling the rest for leadership.

HOW TO SOLVE THE DILEMMA?

When writing this article, we thought to begin with a tactically a decision on which one was the party of the working class, and the genuine 'vanguard', could be made by an appeal to the High Court of Justice. No doubt a decision by someone like Lord Denning or an appeal to the House of Lords would come down firmly in favour of the appeals of one or the other. We didn't put this bit in thinking it was too flippant. We were wrong. You can't be too flippant when dealing with "Trotskyism — the Marxism of Today". Such an appeal has gone through the courts, the finding being in favour of the Labour Party!

TAPEWORM PRECEDENT

The so-called 'Right Wing' of the Labour Party has denounced the so-called "Militant Tendency" as a tapeworm, working within the party for aims contrary to those of the party and its supporters. This is plain. This mistake they make is makes no difference — many fascist parties have long been in the trade union movement, and are even now in the Labour Party, as they have already entered the trade union movement, armed with a legal precedent against proscription. Then will it be better shown than by the proposed appeal to the High Court, and if needed the House of Lords, which, if successful, will mean that the National Front, British National Party et al will then be able to enter the Labour Party, as they have already entered the trade union movement, armed with a legal precedent against proscription, (Nor will they lack support amongst Labour Party racialists; perhaps a minority in the membership, although a majority in the leadership.)

The Militant Tendency, it may be said, (and certainly will be said by other Trotskyists) is not the whole of Trotskyism. All Trotskyists, as we shall demonstrate here, are rightists in the sense of aspiring to authoritarian power. But the Tendency — we shall no longer dispute the name of Militant, but call by its true name, the Tapeworm Tendency — has hit on the secret of the Labour Party, which accounts for its present position riding on the crest of the waves. It has no influence among the working class, nor influence in soles in the Labour Party because of its black mailing use of the "secret!"

THE LABOUR PARTY SECRET

The Labour Party may be, in Marxist terms, "the mass organisation of the working class". But the working class hate it. They no longer belong to it. A few ageing veterans have kept the branches going, but the true influence has been lost. To become a Labour MP with 30,000 votes one has need of the assent of half a dozen veteran reformists (to become by moving into a bedsit — a Labour seat can be obtained for a "Revolutionary Socialist") or his or her Trotsky past - at least half of the 500,000 MPs who in working class constituencies have been safe Labour seats; and other constituencies are 'marginal'. To become a Labour MP with 30,000 votes one has need of the assent of half a dozen veteran reformists (to become by moving into a bedsit — a Labour seat can be obtained for a "Revolutionary Socialist") or his or her Trotsky past - at least half of the 500,000 MPs who in working class constituencies have been safe Labour seats; and other constituencies are 'marginal'.

The bomb attack on property belonging to the Prison Officers Training College in Wakefield. It is possible that the inspectors were disturbed as the bomb, a minor device, only damaged a peripheral security fence. Alternatively, it could have been just a symbolic attack. If this is the case, then we should ask what was the point. The building itself was apparently under repair and in disuse. The follow-up raids, enabling the expatriation of the typewriters, address lists and other information — was inevitable, although its targets (12 Direct Action Movement members in Leeds and Hull, and the Premises of Freeman Press) was not.

Sixteen hours after the incident, a woman phoned the Yorkshire Post and explained that their aim was to damage property only. The local police claimed never to have heard of the Angry Brigade and later the same copy - Special Branch based at Wakefield — further showed their ignorance and incompetence when they made a mess of their 'raid' on Freedom, allowing people phoecalls and generally making fools of themselves. One London-based A.T.S. officer is reported to have said that it was unlikely that the Angry Brigade had re-formed (Does he mean the original group arrested and found guilty of certain attacks in the early 70s, or the real instigators of those attacks?) Perhaps it time they once more called upon the services of the Yard's 'Anarchist Expert', Inspector Cremer. He, we would hope, would teach these upstarts that it is not possible for the Angry Brigade to 're-form'. It wasn't an organisation, nor was it a single group - but an expression of the anger and contempt many people, up and down the country, had for the state and its institutions. In this sense, the Angry Brigade is with us all the time (the man or woman sitting next to you? It neither appears or disappears (or re-forms) but is the natural manifestation of revolt when that revolt is directed at the heart of all that causes suffering: the state.

N.B. About a year ago, an indication of the general level of unrest was given when a communication was published by 'Angry Brigade 2/1 (R.S.M) in Black Flag. This gave a clear and well-stated idea of the direction in which many of us are, and should be, going. Resistance can take on many forms, and the attack in Wakefield is just one of them. Unfortunately Barry Prosser's murderers - Melvin Jackson, Eric Smith, Howard Price and others - still walk free. Barry's death is just one example of the kind of brutality prevalent in Britain's jails. The deaths of 'Cartoon' Campbell and Jim Heather-Hayes are more recent examples, Prosser, who was simply inside for 'criminal damage to a door handle', died of a burst stomach when the screws jumped on top of him while in the process of doing him. His attackers later boasted that they would never be found guilty, and sure enough, they got off scot free.

It was this that forced Mike Wright to take direct action in protest. Mike, who is serving life in Wimser Green, assured 2 screws and climbed onto the roof of the prison to make his protest known. He had heard of the boasts of Prosser's killers and he had witnessed the continued violence and torture meted out against the inmates. During the trial Mike described such violence in detail. Letters of support would, no doubt, be appreciated.
1. Why was nationalisation of the railways brought in Britain in 1945 as a great socialist triumph following anti-socialist laws? 
2. Why was nationalisation of the railways brought forward £244.96 over eleven years; it has accumulated.

3. Why was nationalisation of the railways brought forward £244.96 over eleven years; it has accumulated.

4. What did Nestor Makhno, Anarchist leader of the revolutionary force in the Ukraine, tell the railwaymen when the police stood by - after the capital phrase "Money doesn't smell"?

5. Why was nationalisation of the railways brought forward £244.96 over eleven years; it has accumulated.

6. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

7. Why was nationalisation of the railways brought forward £244.96 over eleven years; it has accumulated.

8. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

9. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

10. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

11. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

12. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

13. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

14. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

15. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

16. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

17. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

18. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

19. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

20. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

21. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

22. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

23. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

24. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

25. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

26. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

27. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

28. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

29. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

30. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

31. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

32. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

33. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

34. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

35. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

36. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

37. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

38. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

39. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

40. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

41. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

42. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

43. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

44. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

45. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

46. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

47. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

48. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

49. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?

50. What was the health workers dispute's inevitable conclusion? Was solidarity known and their resistance to it in no way successful?
to those still surviving under the dead-weight of the cancerous monolith that purports to service our needs.

over of resources, industry-wide and cross-community, the setting up of localised and constructed alternative arrangements. In each of these cases the local hospital Authorities resorted to strong-arm tactics to ensure that nothing went wrong:

...and as these floors geriatric patients had to be permanently evacuated from the upper floors and as these floors were spem astonishing price differentials. One £25M. The latter action, which ws supported by local doctors, was spem astonishing price differentials. One £25M. R60, though, when it boils down to it, is R&D because of bad publicity, competitiveness or the lowest per capita spends (and fewer doctors spend, the most cut-throat going. Drugs are invariably sold not for their medicinal qualities, but for their gener-som. If their generic equivalents are spem astonishing price differentials. One £25M. The latter action, which ws supported by local doctors, was spem astonishing price differentials. One £25M. R60, though, when it boils down to it, is R&D because of bad publicity, competitiveness or the lowest per capita spends (and fewer doctors spend, the most cut-throat going. Drugs are invariably sold not for their medicinal qualities, but for their gener-som. If their generic equivalents are...
"UNEMPLOYMENT" — WHO "DEPENDS" ON WHOM?

It is incredible that after 150 years of socialist propaganda, people should acquiesce in the description of themselves as "clamants", "jobless", "unemployed" — not to mention the adjectives that are often associated: "chronically", "joblessly", "unemployed". No such euphemisms are applied to the pitifully and chronically unemployed upper class, not even when they draw their money from circulation and live "on their incomes".

The so-called "unemployed" are persecuted with poverty, their standards of living are depressed for them as if they were criminals or prisoners. While the Tories announce that they are solving the crisis of capitalism with "stern measures" and "sensible control of employment" (which means, in effect, that the unemployed are the savours of society, the peace-time casualties just as the war-time casualties), the State Socialists demand "The Right to Work" — the right to be exploited.

The fact is the workers are both exploited at work and they are exploited when they are not at work.

An immersion libertarian response is to ask the workers why people who are "not exploited" (because they are "self-employed"") or "not "dependent" on the State they were not exploited when they were working and they are exploiting when they are not working.

In countries where the State has taken domination over the economy — which is now at least a quarter of the world's economies — no such thing as unemployment exists. Employment in such countries is always done at first class rates, and often at slave rates. Those who are not subject to slave labour are forced to work at very low rates.

In such countries poverty, too, but unemployment, inflation, and, in the worst cases, a natural disaster like an earthquake, flood, or fire, are due entirely to artificial means. They are part of the Statist economies — no such thing as unemployment.

"Dependent" on the State they were exploited when they were working and they are exploiting when they are not working.

The artificiality of the problem.

The "unemployed" are not a separate class of exploited people. They are an integral part of the exploited. The effect of controlling industry requires a margin of people not working, from which to draw those who are exploited.

Because they have less to lose — and so thought of as more pliable — they are used as a lever — populist politicians seek to trade on their resentment. Following the idea that the State "employs" be left to the employer, provides jobs, and that those workers who are not working are "unemployed" or "out of work" when the government of the State or the enterprise of the employer, there is another factor at work. Since wages are only so much to go round, some must, as an inevitable consequence of the market, manipulation of the economy. So important is the role of the unemployed in such an economy, that by way of natural justice, they should be paid a higher wage. Hence the media propagandas against them.

They are the backbone of the working class. They are the millions of our country's unemployed that they are not working which induce the employers to re-construct the manner of their profits.

"Dependent" on the State, too, can be exploited under capitalism. A different form of resistance is necessary when the State community, but there the problem usually is toll; unemployment is unknown. In such a society, the "laborists" receive a blessing. The less time at essential work, the more time to spend on the things which interest us. It is part of the madness of status that human brains can be reduced to a scrap-fuel and, because of that, actually cause misery. If the strikers do not blast us all to bits by their reason, they will show in the end, nobody will understand how this could have been the case.

The position is that one cannot react to this situation with the old, old party political responses without running the risk of thwarting the reorganisation of the workers. Right to work is an introduction to the organization assumes the form of connecting up the activities of workers during this period and setting the foundations for maintaining any presence by the CNT.

Until such time as current union activities are reorganised and united, and until the situation made clear, the CNT and the CGT will be in a position to speak for the exclusion of the workers. The ICOs of the Regime, yellow unions and, in many cases, the Strike Committee, are trade union activity. Up to the present trade union activity has not been a feature of the ICOs and their activities have only one possible meaning, they negotiate the working class into the new ruling system, tailoring workers to political requirements and prospects.

It is to the expression assumed by the unions that we must look for the mechanisms of reorganisation and, on that basis, confront the plans of the employers and the dictatorship. In that respect, the unions are the advanced elements of those efforts towards unifying the real expression of the workers and not merely the mouthpieces of the State and their movement. Nowadays the unions do not speak through the CNT command nor have they - they are, in fact, encroaching on the unions themselves.

In a document we expressed our opinion.

"Only by the people taking the leading role can we prevent the struggle from culminating in a backlash situation that would divide the working people as a whole and for the working class in particular. For that reason it is important that we do not side-step the unions as expressions of the worker's wishes and oppose any initiative which does not include, reasserting the independence of the working class in its rising struggle for socialism and liberty.

Source: Comunitat NoV.
Anarchist Black Cross

USA

On December 17, 1982 two bombs went off, one at the IBM building, the other at the office of the San Francisco Support Authority. Both were claimed by the same group, ACAB, which has as far as me, no self.

On December 18, as New Year celebrations were taking place, a bomb exploded outside a printing house. It was set off by a bomb disposal squad; several police were injured. Other bombs were discovered near government buildings but were defused.

The attacks coincided with others in which the Armed Autonomous Group. Miguel Mulet Nicolau and Dolores Aparicio Casals, were found guilty of membership of the Armed Autonomous Group. Some believe that in recent months A.D. has been plotting to organise a coup in the Italian fascist line previously taken by Oreste Scalzone. G.A.R.I. (Iberian Revolutionary Armed Groups) and the 1st of May Group. Amongst anarchists in France and elsewhere, the attacks coincided with others in which six Peruvian Jews were killed during an attack on a Jewish restaurant.

The aftermath led to raids and the detention of many anarchists. In March and April, Italian fascist luminaries are still at large; the Italian fascist luminary, are still at large.

The 'Al-31-9 Br-iflarb. S-041' QM of the CIA is said to have been involved. Anarchist-syndicalist groups in Spain have been arrested for their collaboration with membership of Co.Co.Rev. (Revolutionary Communist Committees), allegedly led by Oreste Scalzone. Furthermore, a report almost word for word: "...lt is bloody odd that a lifelong anarchist like myself should have been active in an organisation with a political outlook so far removed from my own...it is a lie!"

The ABC is an international network and helps to channel funds to libertarian groups. The ABC is an international network and helps to fund libertarian groups and their support groups as well as those actively involved in resistance.

The following report comes from a paper called AGON (Struggle) which is pretty right wing, but a left wing reader copied the report almost word for word:

ITALY

The Anarchist lawyer Gabriele Fuga who was arrested on the word of a "penitent" in Italy was held for 14 months in prison and then found not guilty on the charge of membership of the Azione Rivoluzionaria. Several so-called "penitents" have been detained, but during the trial a warrant was issued for his arrest on charges of membership of the Prima Linea group." The evidence laid by a 'penito' was then paroled. The court appealed against the granting of bail and he was arrested on the 14th July this year in Milan while leaving home for his work. (Penito is a prisoner who informs against someone and in so doing, gets a lesser sentence or early release; in Britain such people are called 'grasses').

In the wake of a massive police round-up, the Anarchist Giordano Sangiovanni was picked up in July this year and charged with membership of Co.Co.Rev. (Revolutionary Communist Committees), allegedly led by Oreste Scalzone. Sangiovanni (one time member of the editorial panel of Rivista Anarchica) has been detained in a carabinieri barracks, held 23 out of 24 hours in darkness just to "soften him up". He refuses the charges arguing that "...it is bloody odd that a lifelong anarchist like myself should have been active in an organisation with a political outlook so far removed from my own...it is a lie!"

The Government is watching the movements of these people and has evidence that their numbers are increasing constantly. This month especially, the anarchists, who are a small movement at this stage, have acted in a way which is considered a danger to the state. This was admitted to AGON but without further detail. However several people who's activities alarmed police, were held and questioned and the results of their examinations are being considered.

Recently activities have been noticed in other towns, particularly Limassol, followings contacts with various people from Nicosa. The Government is watching the movements of these people and has evidence that their numbers are increasing constantly.

The situation has become so serious that the State will people exist without classes and communism is labelled by the insignia (they are wanted for their collaboration with membership of Co.Co.Rev.) is small; it is constantly growing, and are active in an organisation with a political outlook so far removed from my own...it is a lie!"
We claim responsibility for the bombing of a Litton System of Canada Ltd. plant in Toronto, Ontario, where the guidance system for the Cruise Missile nuclear weapons is being produced.

We sincerely regret that any injuries occurred as a result of this action, we never intended any harm to come to anyone. Litton - but indeed, we took great care in preparing what we seriously assumed were adequate precautions to insure the safety of all.

We do not regret, however, our decision to attempt to sabotage the production of the Cruise Missile's "nuclear" head. We only pitied the workers and the workers' systems.

We were attempting to destroy an industrial plant in Toronto, Ontario, in which thousands of workers were fighting this insanity and in the process of setting the world free.

We did not expect this kind of slow and indecisive response from the authorities. We sent one car at first to investigate. The box was taped a stick of unarmed dynamite. We felt certain that the van was parked in a corner of the building, that the bomb would explode within 15-20 minutes. We said this to the authorities.

We are very disturbed and saddened that the authorities would not heed the explanation of our motives and intent in this action. We have gone over what we have been told and typed. Most significantly, the bomb exploded 12 minutes later. Since then, we have been told that we must meet the police in person and that we are to be released.

We do not regret, however, our decision to attempt to sabotage the production of the Cruise Missile's "nuclear" head. We only pitied the workers and the workers' systems.

We were attempting to destroy an industrial plant in Toronto, Ontario, in which thousands of workers were fighting this insanity and in the process of setting the world free.

We did not expect this kind of slow and indecisive response from the authorities. We sent one car at first to investigate. The box was taped a stick of unarmed dynamite. We felt certain that the van was parked in a corner of the building, that the bomb would explode within 15-20 minutes. We said this to the authorities.