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## THE DEADLY SERUM--THE DOCTRINE OF IMPERIALISM

"Where is fun-loving, practical-joking Bill Harris? Where is Angela D. Angelis who spent at least two years in my life singing, plying and making other people happy?"

"What quirk of society turned them into radical, political terrorists who felt they had to place the gun before rhetoric?"

"What iron force drove them to their apocalyptic end?"

These anguished questions were asked by Daniel McConnel, a school friend of the two members of the Symbionese Liberation Army, Angela DeAngelis Atwood, who perished in the flames in the Los Angeles shoot out and Bill Harris who is currently hiding from the police along with his wife Emily and Patricia Hearst.

The answer is simple but tragic. The serum that transformed the humane, compassionate student Dr. Jekylls, into the malevolent, violent Mr. Hydes of the S.L.A. is the doctrine of "Imperialism". If the United States of America is actually the creature described by the doctrine of Imperialism, decency demands its destruction.

Ideas have consequences. This theme dominated the writings of the great Russian novelist, Dostoevsky. "The whole horror of the situation," he wrote in 'A Writer's Diary' about 100 years ago, "is that not only in our country but all over the world the most foul and disgusting actions can be committed by people who are anything but scoundrels. Our trouble today is that a man may commit a most atrocious crime without considering himself to be and, indeed, without actually being a scoundrel."

He was referring to the young Russian revolutionists who engaged in bombing, kidnapping and assassination of both innocent and guilty to protest the excesses of Czarism. Today similar young revolutionists commit similar crimes to protest IMPERIALISM.

The following description of the U.S.A. given by the Weathermen in their basic document, "You don't need a Weatherman to know which way the wind blows" is derived from the doctrine of "Imperialism":

"We are within the heartland of a world-wide monster, a country so rich from its world-wide plunder that even the crumbs doled out to the enslaved masses within its borders provide for material existence very much above the conditions of the masses of people of the world. The US empire, a world-wide system, channels wealth, based upon the labor and resources of the rest of the world, into the United States. The relative affluence existing in the United States is directly dependent upon the labor and natural resources of the Vietnamese, the Angolans, the Bolivians and the rest of the peoples of the Third World. All of the United Airlines Astrojets, all of the Holiday Inns, all of Hertz's automobiles, your television set, car and wardrobe already belong, to a large degree to the people of the rest of the world." (The Three Faces of Revolution, pages 66 and 67)

If this is a true description of the U.S.A., it should be destroyed.

The Weathermen are not stupid. Their scholastic achievements testify to their intelligence. They were among the most brilliant students at America's most prestigious universities: Harvard, Columbia, Michigan, and California at Berkeley. Nevertheless, they believed the doctrine of Imperialism so sincerely that they renounced their families, their society, and their country and became criminals dedicated to the destruction of their country.

Many, who have not taken the drastic steps of the Weathermen and the Symbionese Liberation Army, are convinced that the doctrine of Imperialism is true. On Monday, July 1, I was traveling by bus from New York to Philadelphia. A young man sat beside me and we conversed. He told me he was a student at the University of Pennsylvania. Our discussion of current events led to the S.L.A. and Patricia Hearst, and I quoted the above Weatherman statement. His response was startling, "What's wrong with that?"

He was no radical but was nevertheless convinced that the statement was essentially true. He typifies hundreds of thousands of students in the U.S. I am tempted to say millions, but I do not wish to exaggerate. However, there is certainly no exaggeration in saying that the doctrine of Imperialism is believed by millions of students throughout the world. It is the major recruiting resource for communist and radical revolutionary parties everywhere.

The doctrine of Imperialism is a communist doctrine but it motivates millions who claim to be non-communists. The definitive statement of this doctrine is in Lenin's book, "Imperialism, the Highest Stage of Capitalism" which was written by Lenin in 1916 and is probably the most influential book in today's world.

### The Essence of the Doctrine

The doctrine of Imperialism teaches that American prosperity is the result of armed theft from the poor nations of the world and that the U.S. is a monstrous, murdering plunderer waxing fat on ill-gotten gains stolen from the underdeveloped nations.

A simplified theoretical exposition is as follows:

1. Profit is evil. It is the "surplus value of labor" which is the portion of the labor of the workman for which he is not paid. It is stolen from him by the capitalist.
2. Accumulated profit forms capital.
3. Capital accumulates in the hands of fewer and fewer people and becomes monopoly capital.
4. Ultimately finance capital, which is defined as capital that is owned by banks and utilized by industry is formed.
5. Finance capital is exported to underdeveloped countries where it pays starvation wages to the workers and extracts the mineral and agricultural wealth which is transported to the U.S.A. where it is manufactured and sold at enormous profit.
6. A portion of this profit is paid to the U.S. workers which makes them a workers aristocracy and dampens their revolutionary impulses.
7. U.S. military might and diplomacy are mechanisms to protect invested capital. If any country wishes to take control of its own resources, it is subjected to diplomatic pressures and, if these are unsuccessful, to military intervention.

### The Errors of the Doctrine

What is wrong with this doctrine? A great deal!

1. Investment of capital in an underdeveloped country can and often does add to the wealth of that

country. This is proved conclusively by the current wealth of the Arab oil-producing countries. It was foreign capital that discovered the oil, drilled the wells, built the pipelines, refineries and tankers. Today the Arab oil-producing states are wealthy beyond the dreams of avarice. Their accumulated wealth is so great it threatens to destroy the financial system of the world.

Invested capital, like fire, can increase human well-being or it can cause great destruction. Most underdeveloped countries could benefit enormously from a wise investment of foreign capital.

- Profits from foreign investments could, at best, make only a minor contribution to U.S. wages so it is obviously false to attribute the prosperity of American workers to the profits of Imperialism. This is illustrated by the official figures published by the Department of Commerce for 1969. The figures for 1974 would be comparable:

Total U.S. assets and investments abroad	\$146,134,000,000
Total assets and investment of foreigners in the U.S.A.	81,000,000,000
Total income from U.S. foreign investments	8,838,000,000
Total payments by U.S. to foreign investors	4,463,000,000
Net income from U.S. foreign investments	4,375,000,000
Wages paid to U.S. employees in 1969	564,300,000,000

If every cent earned by foreign investment were paid in wages to American workers, it would pay less than 1 percent of the American wage bill.

Only 31 percent of U.S. foreign investment is in underdeveloped countries. The distribution is as follows:

Canada	30 per cent
Europe	30 per cent
Latin America	18 per cent
Asia	8 per cent
Africa	5 per cent
Australia	5 per cent

(Three Faces of Revolution, page 73)

- American military power does not threaten its neighbors and countries are allowed to make their own laws to regulate foreign investment. There was no military intervention when Mexico nationalized its oil industry. There is no threat of military intervention in Australia where the present Labor Government is imposing severe restrictions on foreign capital.

Whenever American military power is used to stop the spread of communism, this is called Imperialism. There is no conceivable economic interest that would have justified the vast expenditure of the Vietnamese War. The motivations of presidents Eisenhower, Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon were to halt the spread of communist dictatorship. However poorly the design was executed, it was not an imperialist policy that led to the war but the reverse.

However, there is a half-truth in the doctrine and, as Tennyson says, "A lie which is half a truth is the wickedest lie of all."

The half-truth must be refuted with the whole truth.

### The Technique of the Big Lie

Once an individual has accepted the thesis that a system is essentially evil, any statement condemning it

tends to be believed. Thus the accuser is delivered from the necessity of providing evidence and logic. All he needs to do is hurl the accusation.

The communists are taking advantage of this human tendency. It is established in the minds of millions that Imperialism is utterly evil. The communists blame it therefore for all the evil that exists in the world. An article in the May edition of the WORLD MARXIST REVIEW, the theoretical and information journal of Communist and Workers' Parties, entitled an "Indictment of Imperialism" blames it for such things as illiteracy, infant mortality, famine, pollution, inflation, crime and, of course, war. The obvious fact that most of these were worldwide before capitalism existed occasions no embarrassment. The faithful, who have accepted the doctrine, believe the accusations and their determination to destroy the fountain-head of evil, the U.S.A., is reinforced.

The following captions and extracts from this article illustrate the technique:

"The Crimes of Imperialism are Growing and so is the Bill Presented to it by the Peoples of the World"

"In June 1969 'An Indictment of Imperialism' was drawn up at the request of the Convening Committee of the International Meeting of Communist and Workers' Parties.

"Imperialism has since committed new grave crimes against mankind. We now publish new facts and figures, exposing its crimes of the past five years, as suggested by the representatives of the Communist and Workers' Parties on World Marxist Review.

"Though far from complete, they provide further confirmation of the conclusion drawn by the 1969 Meeting: 'The conscience and intellect of mankind cannot be reconciled to the crimes of imperialism.'

"Imperialism, its anti-humanism:

"Mankind's every new advance increasingly lays bare the crimes of the declining system and so re-emphasizes that imperialism is doomed by history itself and is bound to disappear. Not a trace of it must be left on our planet. Let only books and museums preserve for posterity the memory of what mankind had to go through.

"On the eve of the last quarter of this century imperialism condemns people:

"To unemployment--100,000,000 people in the world have no work;  
To illiteracy--783,000,000 people can neither read nor write;  
To hunger--375,000,000 people live on the edge of starvation;  
To death--no other system has been so brutal or perfidious, so deliberately cruel, in its treatment of those who urge mankind to win freedom from social and national oppression and who lead it to this goal. Imperialism shrinks from no crime.

"We Accuse Imperialism of Robbing the Working People"

- "1. Extremes of wealth and poverty.
- "2. Unemployment.
- "3. Mounting exploitation: Imperialism uses increasingly brutal forms of exploitation and direct or indirect methods of cutting pay and lowering the working people's standard of life.
- "4. The working day in most capitalist countries is longer than established by law or by collective agreements.
- "5. Taxes are becoming an ever heavier burden for the working people.

- "6. Child labor is widely used in capitalist countries.
- "7. Women are paid substantially less than men for equal work.
- "8. Immigrant workers are most brutally exploited.

"Rising Prices:

"The past five years have seen the cost of living in the United States rise by 26 per cent.

"Search for homes:

"In spite of a fast growing building industry, large sections of the population of capitalist countries live in houses without proper amenities, and many people are homeless.

"We accuse Imperialism of Endlessly Reproducing Economic,  
Social and Political Problems"

"Monetary crisis:

"The crisis destroyed the postwar monetary system of capitalism. The world policeman policy of U.S. imperialism and its huge spending--on aggressive military and political programs--was even more than even the wealthiest capitalist country could afford.

"Ecological crisis:

"The capitalist mode of production and the drive for maximum profit lead inevitably to destruction of the environment.

"Energy crisis:

"The capitalist world's oil and gas industry is dominated by an international oil cartel of seven major monopolies accounting for 63 per cent of the oil and 80 per cent of the gas produced in capitalist and developing countries. In a bid for superprofits, the monopolies prefer to make money by paying low prices for imported oil rather than investing more in their own countries.

"Symptoms of a sick society:

"Lawlessness is on the rise.

"Juvenile delinquency is growing disastrously.

"Drugs are a calamity in the United States, where hard drug addicts number more than half a million.

"Violence is encouraged in books and from cinema and TV screens.

"The credibility crisis:

"Another characteristic of the capitalist world is the growing mistrust of imperialist social and political institutions.

"We Accuse Imperialism of Crimes Against the Peoples of the  
Developing Countries"

"Death and hunger:

"The mortality rate in some Asian and African countries is still as high as 100 per 1,000 population.

"Inherited illiteracy:

"The population of former colonies and dependent countries is 97 per cent illiterate: 756 million cannot read or write.

"We Accuse Imperialism of an Arms Drive that Consumes Colossal Human and Material Resources and Creates the Danger of a World Thermonuclear War"

"Imperialism has spawned the military-industrial complex, the epitome of militarist designs, the profit drive of arms manufacturers and the plans of the aggressive elements in government quarters.

"We Accuse Imperialism of Wars and Heinous Crimes Against the Peoples Aspiring to Freedom"

"In this century imperialism has taken a heavier toll of life and material values than humanity paid in all the preceding centuries.

"We Accuse Imperialism of Supporting Fascism and Nazism"

"Fascist regimes stay on to power thanks to the 'colonization' of their economy by imperialist monopolies

"The danger of neo-fascism:

"Parties and groups of fascist complexion are active in 60 capitalist countries. They are forming international neo-fascist leagues.

"We Accuse Imperialism of Racism"

"The plight of national minorities in the U.S.

"In the United States, Blacks are treated as second-class citizens.

"Extermination of indigenous populations:

"History has passed sentence on Imperialism and it is for the Peoples to carry it out."

(World Marxist Review, May-1974, pages 121-135)

By blaming all that is wrong in society on Imperialism, the communists infer that all would be righted if Imperialism were destroyed. No mention is made of the fact that worse conditions prevail in the "Socialist" or "non-Imperialist" states. The Soviet Union and Communist China have turned to the U.S.A. for food and industrial products. A high percentage of the national income in socialist countries is devoted to arms production. Border war has occurred between the Soviet Union and Communist China and the threat of major war cannot be discounted. Militarism is an outstanding feature of the economies of socialist states and suppression of personal liberty is routine. The Russian novelist, Alexander Solzhenitsyn, estimates that 60 million have been killed in the Soviet Union since the communists seized power there.

The capitalist countries provide mechanisms by which wrongs can be righted without destroying all liberty in the process. The communist countries sacrifice the present generation in the interest of a hypothetical future classless society that fades further into the distance all the time.

The Price of Ignorance

The communists are aided immensely by the ignorance of those who should be leading the fight against the deadly doctrine. Businessmen are particularly threatened but they are like dumb beasts being led to the slaughter. Not only are they unable to answer the arguments of the proponents of Imperialism, in many cases they are unaware that the doctrines exist. They are content to pay their taxes so that the colleges and universities can be financed and so that professors can teach the students that profit is evil and that

America is imperialistic and thus create future communists and terrorists. They often make voluntary contributions also which finance subversion.

On many occasions, while addressing groups of businessmen, I have appealed for a volunteer to go to the economics class of the local college or university to expose the errors of the doctrine of Imperialism. I have yet to meet my first volunteer.

Diseased ideas produce deadly deeds. Potential recruits for communism and terrorist organizations such as the Weathermen and the S.L.A. are formed every day in colleges and universities supported by capitalist money. This can only be stopped as those threatened learn to discern the errors of the doctrines being taught their children and to dispel half-truth and falsehood with the whole truth.

### THE COMMUNIST COLONIZERS

The communists claim that they represent the workers. However, most workers spurn communism. This is the paradox with which communists are attempting to grapple.

Most communists are recruited while they are college students. It is communist strategy to send college-trained recruits to work as manual workers in factories and mines. This gives them a vantage point from which they can propagandize, recruit and exploit the other workers.

If there is no union, the objective is to organize and control one. If a union already exists, the objective is to infiltrate and control it. The union can then be used to foment class warfare with the ultimate objective of replacing free enterprise and limited constitutional government by the monopoly dictatorship of the Communist Party.

Sending communist college graduates to work in factories is known as "colonizing" the factories.

A typical example of "colonizing" a factory is revealed by the following story published in MILITANT TRUTH, Atlanta, Georgia, February, 1974, pages 3 and 4:

### ***Two Communist Agitators Infiltrate North Carolina Textile Mill; When Fired, TWUA Textile Union Defends Them in NLRB Trial***

Karen Walker and David M. Henderson are comparatively well-educated young people with strong "social" interests. Henderson holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Duke University and he spent some time in postgraduate study at Southern Methodist University.

Walker attended the University of Cincinnati for about 2½ years.

On October 10, 1972, Karen Walker applied for employment at Whittaker Knitting Mills, Raleigh, N. C.

She completed an application form, stating in the space dealing with "education" that she had been graduated from junior and senior high school, but she left blank the box next to the word, "college."

She listed several restaurants in New Jersey as her places of previous employment and gave two persons, a minister in New Jersey and a farmer in North Carolina, as personal references.

#### **Walker and Henderson Both Hired**

She was interviewed by Roger Russell, the company's personnel director, on October 23 and was hired as a knitter October 25, beginning work that same day.

On October 26, 1972, Henderson applied for employment by the company. He completed an application form, stating that he had been graduated from high school, but leaving blank the box next to the word, "college."

He stated that he had been employed by a firm called Ridden & Co., in California, and gave the members of that firm as his personal references.

He was interviewed by Russell the same day; he was hired as a mechanic trainee as of October 31, and reported to work on that date.

On the afternoon of February 18, 1973, Douglas Anderson, supervisor of the third

shift, asked Vartkes Egsegian, a training supervisor, whether he had heard a rumor that Walker and Henderson were "communists" and that they carried blue cards signifying their membership. Egsegian said he had not.

Later that day Egsegian told James Minnotti, a mechanic he knew was friendly with Henderson, that he had heard that Walker and Henderson were members of the Communist Party and, according to Egsegian, Minnotti answered, "I could have told you that."

The following day, when he came on duty, Egsegian reported his conversations with Anderson and Minnotti to Russell, the personnel director.

Russell immediately telephoned an investigating organization and asked it to check the data contained in the employment applications of Walker and Henderson.

## Applications Were Falsified

On Friday afternoon, March 2, the investigator reported to Russell by telephone that the California employment reference given by Henderson was "not an incorporated type of business" and that he was not able to verify Henderson's California "experience."

He also informed Russell that Henderson had a degree in political science from Duke University.

With respect to Walker, the investigator reported that he was unable to verify any of the employment she had listed and was unable to verify her personal references except that he had reached the minister in New Jersey who said that "he could not say that he actually knew her."

He further reported that she had attended college and had at least applied to William and Mary but he was not certain she had gone there.

## David Henderson Gets Fired!

On the basis of this report, Russell decided on Friday afternoon to terminate Walker and Henderson. He cleared this decision with the plant manager the following day.

Henderson was on the third shift (midnight to 8 a.m.). He worked his shift beginning at midnight Sunday-Monday and, at 8 a.m. Monday, was called into Russell's office.

Russell asked Henderson whether he had attended Southern Methodist University and Henderson admitted that he had. When Russell asked him whether he had attended Duke University, Henderson answered that if Russell knew enough to ask the question he also knew that the answer had to be in the affirmative.

Russell then pointed out that the dates Henderson had given for his employment in California covered the same period as his academic work and Henderson admitted that those statements in his employment application were also untrue.

Russell stated that, with such education, Henderson's purpose at Whittaker could not be to work as a mechanic but Henderson stated that he liked and needed the job.

Russell said that Henderson "had put him in a bad place" and that he had no choice but to let him go.

There was no mention, during the interview, of either communism or union activity. Henderson was then discharged and he left the plant.

## Karen Walker also Fired

When Henderson came into the parking lot, he met Karen Walker, who was also on the third shift and with whom he had been riding to and from work.

Henderson told her he had been discharged and that the reason given was

his falsification of his employment application.

Later that day Walker arranged to have her personal attorney call the plant. He did so and reached the plant manager, to whom he said that Walker had been engaged in union activities among the employees and that he wished to put the company on notice of that fact.

Shortly after Walker reported for duty at midnight, she was called into Russell's office. Russell said that her application had some discrepancies in it concerning her education; that he felt that she had more education than disclosed, and that she had a college education.

Russell then terminated Karen Walker's employment. No reference was made during the interview in the personnel director's office either to communism or to union activities.

## TWUA Represented These Two Communists by Filing Charges Against the Company

When she reached home at about 2 a.m., Walker wrote Russell a letter confirming her termination and stating that she intended to take the matter to the National Labor Relations Board.

In the Labor Board trial which followed, Karen Walker and David Henderson were represented by the Textile Workers Union of America (TWUA).

The union's motive was to FORCE the company - Whittaker Knitting Mills - to rehire these two self-confessed communists.

This case, known as Whittaker Knitting Mills, Inc., vs. Textile Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO, is listed as 207 NLRB No. 148.

## They Freely Boasted of Their Communist Ideologies

Both Karen Walker and David Henderson testified that one of their purposes in obtaining employment at Whittaker Mills was to "organize" it. Beginning in late December (1972), they testified, they began talking to other employees, both in the plant and at the employees' homes. On one occasion, Henderson and Walker had two other employees, Ann Sessions and James Minnotti, visit with them in Henderson's apartment and they discussed political philosophy, after which Walker gave Minnotti some books to read.

They both testified that their political philosophy is communism but that neither has ever been a member of the Communist Party.

The company contended that it had no knowledge of any union activities by either Walker or Henderson.

It conceded that the receipt of information that they were "communists" stimulated the inquiry into their employment applications and that this played a part in the decision to discharge them, but it insisted that their

discharge was based entirely upon their falsification of their employment applications.

## Top Union Officials

Both Walker and Henderson testified frankly to their political belief in communism, that is, that the workers should be the owners of the means of producing wealth and that the real struggle in the world today is that of the workers for power. They also testified that, in discussion with other employees, they frankly advocated these beliefs.

Prior to his employment at Whittaker, Henderson testified, he had talked with Wilbur Hobby, chief executive of the North Carolina AFL-CIO, about organizing Whittaker Knitting Mills.

Hobby referred them to Scott Hoyman, Southern Regional Director of the Textile Workers Union of America (TWUA).

Both Walker and Henderson testified that they never signed union authorization cards or asked any Whittaker employee to do so, that neither of them ever wore a union button or asked anyone else to do so, and that they never publicly distributed handbills or other material before their discharge.

## Labor Unions Identified as First Step to Red Revolution

They both testified that they discussed political philosophy and advocated both the validity and necessity of a communist society.

It is apparent, from their testimony, that the basis and central subject of the talks they said they had with other plant employees was the revolution of the present society into one organized on the basis of the tenets of political and social communism.

They testified that they talked, during the period of their employment, with many employees, telling them that they, Walker and Henderson, were communists; that communism was "the way to go"; and that the workers needed to organize for the coming struggle for power and to "smash capitalism."

They testified that they told these employees that the revolution would be violent if the capitalists introduced violence but they denied that they had ever advocated specific violence, such as the seizure of the Whittaker plant or its machinery.

It also appears from their testimony that, in discussing the struggle for power, Henderson and Walker stated that unions were useful as a "first step" in preparing for that struggle and, when asked by the employees which union they meant, they talked of the Textile Workers' Union.

NLRB Administrative Law Judge Sidney D. Goldberg ruled AGAINST the Textile Union, affirming the right of Whittaker Mills to have fired Karen Walker and David Henderson. This decision was upheld by the Board in Washington.

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