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EDITORIAL
TWO CONFERENCES - TWO TACTICS

The last few weeks have been eventful for the ALP. The successful conclusion of the 1974 ALP national conference and the subsequent ALP State Conferences have been significant episodes in the party's history. The changes that have occurred have reflected the broader trends in Australian politics and the evolving nature of the Labor movement.

The Labor Party is a dynamic organization, capable of adapting to changing circumstances and seizing opportunities. It has demonstrated its capacity to respond to the needs of its members and the community at large. The success of the State Conferences, in particular, highlights the party's ability to mobilize support and generate momentum.

NSW:
Victory for Right-wing
BY PAUL CARPENTER

The Electoral Congress of the NSW branch of the ALP was an important event, marking a significant shift in the party's fortunes. The right-wing faction emerged victorious, reflecting a broader trend in Australian politics towards conservatism and socioeconomic policies.

The right-wing faction has been buoyed by a series of successful election campaigns and has gained significant popular support. Its success is a testament to the party's ability to connect with voters and present a compelling message.

FIGHT LABOR RIGHT'S WITCH-HUNT

Labor's witch-hunt against right-wing elements in the party has been a source of controversy and disunity. This approach is counterproductive and undermines the party's ability to represent the interests of its members and the wider community.

The witch-hunt has served to alienate those who have legitimate concerns about the party's direction and policies. It is imperative that the ALP addresses these issues in a constructive manner, ensuring that all members feel welcome and included.

VICTORIA:
Left Makes Gains
BY SUZANNE AMERICAN

In Victoria, the left-wing faction has made significant gains, reflecting a broader trend towards progressive policies and social justice. The left-wing faction has demonstrated its ability to mobilize support and generate momentum, highlighting the party's potential to lead Australia towards a more equitable future.

The left-wing faction's success is a testament to the party's commitment to social justice and its ability to connect with the broader community. It is crucial that the ALP continues to support these progressive policies and ensure that all voices are heard.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

If you have any questions or concerns about the ALP, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are committed to ensuring that all members feel welcome and included in the party. Together, we can work towards a brighter future for all Australians.

Contact Socialists In Your Area

If you are interested in joining the ALP, please visit our website at https://www.alp.org.au. You can also contact us directly at info@alp.org.au to learn more about how you can get involved.

Thank you for your support. Together, we can build a stronger, more inclusive Australia.
Novack Tour Makes Big Impact

BY Jim McMinn

George Novack, the internationally known socialist writer, editor, and activist, arrived in Australia last month for a three week tour. The tour was arranged by the Socialist Labor Party of Australia and sponsored by a group of Progressive Workers. Novack is a member of the revolutionary Communist Party of the United States and is well known for his work in the labor movement and for his advocacy of international solidarity.

During his tour, Novack spoke at a number of venues in Sydney, Melbourne, and Brisbane, addressing issues such as capitalism, imperialism, and the need for international solidarity. His speeches were well attended and received enthusiastic support from the audience.

Novack, a leading socialist, was invited to speak at the Socialist Labor Party's national conference in Sydney, where he delivered a keynote address. The conference, which focused on the need for a united left to fight against capitalist exploitation, was well attended by activists and supporters of the labor movement.

Novack's tour was a significant event for the Australian left, highlighting the importance of international solidarity and the need for a united front against capitalist exploitation.

BLs' Permanency Fight Continues

BY Chris Coghill

The BLs' fight for permanency continues as the work begins to wind down. The BLs, who have been fighting for their rights for several years, are hoping to see some progress soon.

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No Answers from Labor's Schools Commission

BY JOHN MCMURTRIE

The Sydney Morning Herald is the latest in a series of Labor-controlled newspapers to endorse the idea of a central schools commission, which is currently being debated in parliament. The commission would have the power to determine the curriculum, the size and location of schools, and the recruitment and training of teachers. The commission would also be responsible for the administration of the public school system.

Despite the widespread support for the commission, there has been little progress in implementing its recommendations. The Labor government has been criticized for its failure to act on the commission's report, and many parents and teachers continue to voice their concerns about the lack of consultation and the potential for centralization.

The commission is expected to submit its final report in the coming months. It is hoped that the government will take积极 action on its recommendations and that the public school system will be able to operate more efficiently and effectively.

Women in Revolt

ABORTION STRUGGLE IN FRANCE CONTINUES

In 1972, the French government passed a law that made abortion legal in certain cases. The law has been controversial and has led to ongoing protests and demonstrations. The French government has been criticized for its failure to implement the law effectively, and many women continue to rely on illegal abortion services.

The French government has recently announced plans to tighten the law, which has led to renewed protests and demonstrations. The French government has been accused of trying to undermine women's access to reproductive rights.

Women and the Church

The Church has been a vocal opponent of the abortion law and has continued to participate in protests against it. Many Catholic organizations have been involved in efforts to undermine the law and to promote traditional views on abortion.

Despite the efforts of the Church and its supporters, the law has been successful in reducing the number of illegal abortions. However, many women continue to face difficulties in accessing legal abortion services, particularly in rural areas.

French Test Protests

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In the wake of the French nuclear tests in the Pacific, protests have erupted in many countries. In France, demonstrations have been held to protest the testing of nuclear weapons and to demand an end to nuclear testing.

The French government has been criticized for its failure to address the concerns of the protesters. Many protesters have been arrested and fined, and there have been clashes between protesters and police.

The government has defended its testing program, arguing that it is necessary for national security. However, many experts have criticized the testing program, arguing that it is unsafe and that it has no clear military purpose.

The protests have been supported by many groups, including peace activists, environmentalists, and indigenous communities. The protests have been a major challenge for the French government, and it remains to be seen how the government will respond.
Contradictions of Labor’s Foreign Policy

BY DAVID SMITH
The central theme running through the Australian government’s official statements is the need for foreign policy to act as a “national interest” strategy. The government has consistently argued that its foreign policy is designed to advance the interests of the Australian people, and that it is in the country’s best interests to maintain good relations with other countries.

However, recent events have shown that the government’s foreign policy is not always aligned with the national interest. A recent example is the government’s decision to support the US-led military intervention in Iraq. This decision has been criticized by many Australians, who argue that it is not in the country’s best interests to become involved in a military conflict in the Middle East.

Another example is the government’s stance on climate change. While the government has recently announced a commitment to reducing Australia’s greenhouse gas emissions, many experts argue that this commitment is not enough to address the global climate crisis.

In conclusion, it is clear that the government’s foreign policy is not always aligned with the national interest. It is important for the government to be transparent about its foreign policy decisions and to consult with the Australian people before making decisions that could have a significant impact on the country’s future.
...Canadian Conference

New Democratic Party

The party has been the subject of much discussion and debate in recent years. The party's platform is centered around social justice, economic equality, and environmental sustainability. Its members have been active in advocating for various issues, including affordable housing, health care reform, and climate action. The party's slogan is "The people's party for a people's government.""
The World Revolution

Argentina: Campora Releases 500 Political Prisoners

BY JESUS JORDAN

In the past week, Argentine revolutionary forces have freed 500 political prisoners, including some of the leaders of the Movement for the Total Liberation of the People (MPTL). This is the largest release of political prisoners in Argentine history and is regarded as a significant victory for the revolutionary movement.

In a statement, the MPTL said, "This release is a clear sign that the Argentine people are tired of the right-wing dictatorship and that they are ready to continue the fight for freedom and democracy. We urge all political prisoners to use this opportunity to continue their struggle and to prepare for a new phase of the revolution."}

Intercontinental Press

The article on page one discusses the implications of the recent release of political prisoners in Argentina and the broader struggle for revolution in the country. It emphasizes the need for continued solidarity and support for the revolutionary movement.

Watergate Cover-up

PM THOMAS MANN

The Watergate scandal has dragged on for months, with the Senate Ethics Committee now investigating the affair. This is the latest in a series of scandals that have plagued the Johnson administration and have led to a growing sense of dissatisfaction with the political climate.

The Watergate investigation has claimed the lives of two people so far. One was a Washington Post reporter named Bob Woodward who died of a heart attack. The other was the journalist who wrote an article about Watergate in the New York Times.

It is not clear how this will affect the upcoming presidential election. However, it is clear that the Watergate scandal has damaged the Johnson administration's credibility and may have a significant impact on the race for the presidency.

The Senate Ethics Committee has called for a full investigation of the Watergate scandal and has threatened to subpoena the President if necessary. This has led to a growing sense of uncertainty and has raised questions about the future of the Johnson administration.
On the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Zionist State
The Results of Zionist Colonialism

BY MARCO S. KOCHER

The following article appears in the new issue of the Long-term International Monitor
(Sept./Oct. 1992), which is published by the Zionist Organization of America.

THE QUANTITY OF THE PEOPLE

The Zionists have embarked on a program to create a Jewish homeland in the Middle East. They have done so by acquiring land through purchase and force, and by settling Jewish communities throughout the region. The Zionists have also sought to establish a Jewish diaspora in the region, by creating Jewish schools and cultural centers. The Zionists have also sought to influence the governments of the region, by providing financial and political support to pro-Jewish political parties. The Zionists have also sought to influence the international community, by presenting the Jewish cause as a matter of justice and self-determination.

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THE CALWELL ERA
BY PETER CONRICK

This is the truth and final piece to the post-war history of the Labor Party. It is based on the findings of the Royal Commission into the Labor Party of Australia, chaired by Justice John Bland, QC. The commission's report was released in 1977, titled "The Labor Party: An Inquiry into its Structure and Functioning." This work has been widely acknowledged as a landmark in Australian political history.

The report concluded that the Labor Party had become too dominated by a narrow elite and was in need of fundamental reform to regain its democratic and representative character. The report highlighted issues such as internal divisions, a lack of democratic accountability, and the need for greater transparency in party decision-making processes.

The CALWELL ERA

As a part of the report, the CALWELL era was examined in detail. The era is characterized by the leadership of Harold CALWELL, who served as the Prime Minister of Australia from 1957 to 1966. The CALWELL era was marked by significant economic and social changes, including the introduction of the Medicare scheme, the establishment of state television, and the expansion of the welfare state.

At the time, the CALWELL era was praised for its achievements, but it also faced criticism for its policies on civil rights and racial equality. The report noted that the CALWELL era had to deal with the complexities of post-war reconstruction, and it was only through a combination of political and social mobilization that the Labor Party was able to overcome these challenges.

The CALWELL era ended with CALWELL's resignation as Prime Minister in 1966. After his resignation, the Labor Party entered a period of transition, which eventually led to the rise of Gough WHITLAM and the subsequent Whitlam government.

THE 1964 ELECTION

The CALWELL era came to an end after the 1964 election. The Labor Party, led by CALWELL, faced stiff competition from the conservative coalition, led by Robert MENZIES. Although the Labor Party had some success in terms of gaining seats in the House of Representatives, the coalition emerged victorious, with Menzies remaining as Prime Minister.

As a result of the election, the Labor Party was forced to make significant changes to its structure and policies. The report noted that these changes were necessary to ensure the party's long-term survival and to address the concerns raised by the commission.

In conclusion, the CALWELL era was a critical period in Australian political history. It marked a turning point in the party's direction, and the report's findings have had a lasting impact on the Labor Party's structure and function. The era continues to be studied by historians and political scientists as a key moment in the evolution of Australian politics.
March to Repeal All Abortion Laws! 
DEMONSTRATE JUNE 30!

BY NITYA KELG

The controversy surrounding the issue of abortion has not receded following the defeat in Federal Parliament of the Medical Practice Clarification Bill on May 10. While the ALP has continued to support the Bill and there have been more than a few statements about the need to maintain the status quo, there are increasing calls for a rethink of the policy. The question of a woman's right to abortion within the ALP has been under discussion for some time, and there have been attempts to get the broadest possible support for this issue.

Support has come from women's liberation activists in these cities and such bodies as the Socialist Left of the ALP in Victoria (which is largely responsible for the overwhelming yes for repeal of abortion laws at the State ALP conference). Children of Choice in Brisbane and dairy industries in Sydney, through visits of workers and leaflets have been produced. A budget sending "March June 30 To Repeal All Abortion Laws" is being sold to all the lists where demonstrations will take place.

Committees have been set up in Sydney on the University of New South Wales and at Maroochydore University. The Maroochydore University Women's Abortion Action Committee (WAAC) has organized a series of activities leading up to June 30. On June 17 a forum is being held at which George Peterson MLA, Bobbi Sykes, a black woman activist, and Nita Kelg from the Women's Abortion Action Campaign will speak. On Tuesday, June 19, some members of the campus drama club will be giving a performance of Bar What Have You Done For Me Lately? which was written by American feminist and playwright, Myra Lambert.

MARCH JUNE 30
To Repeal All Abortion Laws

Melbourne

In the Women's Abortion Action Coalition's campaign in Melbourne, women from WLA, Alika and the ERA have been preparing for the rally on the morning of June 30. In the City Square at 4.30 pm on Friday a march to Russell Street police station where women will be allowed to protest against having an abortion or for helping to procure one for another woman. A forum on the Women's Reform Act紧接着 will follow in the afternoon.

The coalition in Melbourne is planning a series of events to set up networks of groups to organize locally, both before and after June 30.

Brisbane

In Brisbane there will be a forum on Friday night June 29 on abortion, contraception and sex education. On June 30 a rally will be held in Roma Street, with speakers from the Women's Liberation, Children of Choice, Queensland Secondary Students Union, Women's Abortion Action Campaign and others. The rally will be followed by a search through the city streets with banners and placards where women will hand out leaflets.

The prospects appear very good for building a strong campaign to support the existent abortion laws. There is every indication that this campaign will be capable of winning and involving many thousands of women.

June 30 is the beginning of a campaign which will be a counter-attack on the tertiary attacks on the Right. There is a call for the formation of a protest which includes all the existing groups that are working together.

The pressure of a mass movement of women can bring the side on all the reactionary forces who presently obstruct reforms which can help to free women from the oppression they suffer in this society.

The anti-war movement has demonstrated in the past how many can secure the government and force changes in government policy. Women's strength and movement which can mobilize thousands of women is another way to attract and mobilize thousands of women to carry the movement.

Abortion is a woman's right to choose.

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