THE TITO CLIQUE IN SERVICE OF
THE INSTIGATORS OF
A NEW WAR

Two years ago the Information Bureau of the Communist and Workers’ Parties exposed before the whole world the secret agency of the imperialists—the Tito-Rankovic clique—and thereby dealt a crushing blow to the foul plans of the Wall Street magnates who wanted to weaken the democratic camp with the aid of the Titoites. The exposure of the criminal plans of imperialism and its Yugoslav accomplices was unquestionably a severe defeat for the warmongers and a major victory for the forces which stand on guard of the peace.

Having failed in their treacherous attempts to sever the People’s Democracies from the mighty camp of democracy and socialism headed by the Soviet Union, the Belgrade hirelings of imperialism openly aligned themselves with the camp of the warmongers. The British and American imperialists are using the services of the Yugoslav agent-provocateurs and saboteurs for struggle against the growing movement for peace and for the purpose of preparing strategic bridgeheads in South-Eastern Europe, and in the Balkans in particular.

With the active support of their Belgrade servitors, the instigators of new military adventures are urgently knocking together a military and political bloc in the Mediterranean as a direct supplement to the aggressive North Atlantic bloc. On instructions from Washington and London, the Titoites are trying their utmost to “normalize” their relations with the Greek monarcho-fascists and the Italian clerical fascists and to create an Athens-Belgrade-Rome axis for the USA. At the same time Titoites are hurriedly working for the “establishment of collaboration” with the American puppets in Western Germany and with the Austrian neo-Nazis, forgetful of their “former differences” over Slovenian Carinthia.

The world democratic public, all sincere devotees of peace have become convinced through numerous and irrefutable facts of the correctness of the conclusions contained in the resolution of the Information Bureau of the Communist and Workers’ Parties, The Communist Party of Yugoslavia in the Power of Murderers and Spies (November, 1949), which pointed out that the struggle of the peoples of the whole world for stable peace is inseparable from the struggle against the Titoites, the bitterest enemies of peace, democracy and socialism. Latest developments furnished fresh confirmation to the effect that

“the present Yugoslav rulers had deserted from the camp of democracy and socialism to the camp of capitalism and reaction and have become direct accomplices of the instigators of a new war and by their treacherous deeds they are seeking to win the approval of the imperialists to curry favour with them” (From the Resolution of the Information Bureau).

All the utterances of the chieftains of the Belgrade clique on questions of foreign policy are nothing but foul, thoroughly lying propaganda against the camp of peace, democracy and socialism.
In October, 1949 the Titoite agents were ousted with disgrace from the ranks of the world movement for peace. The Yugoslav accomplices of the Anglo-American bloc thus lost the possibility to harm the peace movement from within and resorted to the open circulation of calumny, of malicious inventions against the organized and united front of peace. As ordered by their masters, the Belgrade fascists are shouting that “there is no danger of war”, that the ruling circles of the Anglo-American bloc are “peace-loving” creatures, and even that capitalism “has consolidated itself and needs no war”, and there is, therefore, allegedly no necessity for an organized defence of peace. The Titoites have gone so far in their arrogance as to describe the movement of hundreds of millions for peace—the most powerful movement of our time as a “trifle” and as “harmful to the cause of stable peace on the globe”. Tito, the renegade and spy, told a representative of the correspondents’ association at UNO that the question of the prohibition of the atomic weapon as a weapon of aggression was raised “not in the proper time” (?!)

Fearing the anger of the Yugoslav people, the Titoites are posing as “champions of peace”. But the real facts in Yugoslavia expose them as the armour-bearers of imperialist aggression. They have branded the campaign for signatures on the Stockholm Appeal of the Permanent Committee of the World Peace Congress as an “empty declaration”. But in reality, the Belgrade rulers are afraid of this declaration. And it is for this reason that they have suppressed and concealed from the people the text of the Stockholm Appeal and deprived the peoples of Yugoslavia of the possibility to sign this Appeal.

Having brought the country to the brink of national disaster and become entangled in their criminal home policy, the Belgrade fascists tremble in terror before the growth of the forces of peace and progress. The Yugoslav executioners think that in an atmosphere of war psychosis and military gambles, they will succeed in prolonging their blood-thirsty regime in Yugoslavia and escape the severe judgment of the people.

No matter how hard they try, they cannot crush the liberation struggle of the working people of Yugoslavia against the fascist dictatorship. Expressing the feelings and strivings of their suffering people, the Yugoslav revolutionary émigrés write in the paper For a Socialist Yugoslavia:

“The struggle against Tito’s fascist regime accords with the vital interests of the struggle for peace, for the Tito gang is an imperialist agency which is devotedly serving the warmongers and assisting in the realization of their plans.”

The Yugoslav revolutionary émigrés are taking an active part in the struggle for peace, in the struggle against the instigators of a new war and their Belgrade accomplices. At the recent session of the Permanent Committee of the World Peace Congress in Stockholm, the Yugoslav political émigré, General Pero Popivoda, was unanimously elected to the Committee as the representative of fighting Yugoslavia. Commenting on this event, the For a Socialist Yugoslavia wrote on May 8th:

“The election of the representative of the Yugoslav revolutionary
émigrés to the Permanent Committee of the World Peace Congress is an expression of the sympathy for and recognition of the liberation struggle conducted by the peoples of Yugoslavia for two years now against the warmongering Tito-Rankovic gang.”

Yugoslav political émigrés in many countries are enthusiastically adding their names to the millions of signatures on the Stockholm Appeal. Signing the Appeal, the Yugoslav political émigrés who are working in Poland declared that by intensifying the struggle against the Tito clique “the peoples of Yugoslavia are fighting for peace, for the restoration of the national independence of their country and for its return to the camp of peace, democracy and socialism.”

The press of the Yugoslav revolutionary émigrés carries regular reports on the activities of the fighters for peace right in Yugoslavia. “Through their daily struggle”, says Nova Borba (published by the Yugoslav Communists in Prague) in its May Day issue, “the working people of Yugoslavia are making their contribution to the struggle against a new imperialist war.”

The revolutionary patriots of Yugoslavia regard their struggle for the destruction of the fascist regime as a sacred duty promoting the great cause of peace in the whole world.

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The Belgrade adventurers who established a gestapo-terrorist regime of the fascist type in Yugoslavia are gradually drawing the country into the aggressive bloc of the Anglo-American colonizers. Under the guise of an agreement on the “development of air communications”, the Yugoslav tyrants-for-an-hour handed over to the American militarists a number of Yugoslav aerodromes in exchange for dollar handouts. On the basis of this “agreement” the American militarists secured control of Yugoslavia’s aerodromes and airlines and included them into the general war-airline system of the aggressive Anglo-American bloc. In April 1950, the Titoites granted to the Anglo-American naval forces the right to enter Yugoslav territorial waters and Adriatic ports. The venal press described these facts of cynical betrayal of Yugoslavia’s national interests as something “usual”, inasmuch as “temporary visits” of American and British warships to Yugoslav ports are made “quite openly.” There is indeed no limit to the hypocrisy of the betrayers and executioners of the Yugoslav people!

Numerous facts indicate that under the command of their aggressive Anglo-American instructors, the Titoites are energetically building new military aerodromes, strategic highways, roads and railways, that they are building fortifications on the borders of the neighbouring democratic countries and increasing their military outlays. On orders of the American militarists, the Yugoslav servitors of the warmongers are hurriedly building the strategic Trieste-Zagreb- Belgrade highway with the idea of extending it later to Salonika. Billions of dinars are spent on this construction. The Rumanian newspaper Universal reports that a billion dinars were spent by the Belgrade adventurists on the construction of one military aerodrome at Bataznice.
In issue No. 4 (1950), the Bulgarian magazine Novo Vreme justly notes the fact that “the budget of the Titoites reflects all their policy of betrayal of the Yugoslav peoples”, and cites as proof of it the characteristic data that while allocating a mere 7.9% for ‘education and culture’, the 1950 budget of Yugoslavia allocates no less than 50,000 million dinars, i.e., more than 30% of the total for military construction. Furthermore, the 1950 budget contains provisions for so-called reserve sums in the amount of 16,000 million dinars (more than 9% of the total) clearly designated for the organization of espionage, provocations and sabotage against the countries of the democratic camp. The ruling clique has placed the burden of military expenditures upon the shoulders of the working people of Yugoslavia. Taxes have increased by 20,000 million dinars this year as compared with 1949.

The militarization of Yugoslavia is proceeding apace. American military specialists, as well as beaten Hitlerite officers are operating as military ‘advisers’ and ‘instructors’ in that country.

In compliance with the demand of the imperialists, the Belgrade rulers are appointing the most reactionary officers to leading posts in the army, navy and air force. Ten former generals of the old royal army, including Dinic, Kostic, Drosic and Damianovic, have been returned to high posts. Former chetnik and Ustasi officers and imperialist spies who occupy mainly high posts in the Yugoslav armed forces represent the core upon which Tito clique relies for support in the army. On the other hand, patriotic officers and soldiers are being ousted from the army and arrested in their thousands. According to the Yugoslav émigré press, more than 10,000 officers who disagreed with the treacherous policy of the authorities were arrested in 1949 alone.

Behind the screen of demagogic phrase-mongering about defence, the Yugoslav adventurers are raising the strength of the army and of the criminal detachments of Rankovic, the executioner. Reports published by the newspapers of the Yugoslav revolutionary political émigrés reveal that about a million Yugoslav citizens were mobilized into the army and police force. This is the highest number of servicemen that Yugoslavia would have been in a position to put up in the case of war. Already today, in peace time, this vast mass of people is not only denied the possibility to work and support their families, but it is an unbearable burden for the country.

With the aid of their Belgrade puppets, the American imperialists are energetically pumping out of Yugoslavia strategic raw materials — copper, bauxites, molybdenum and vast quantities of timber. “Exports” to the USA, expressed in the sum of 16 million dollars in 1949, are to be increased to 35 million dollars this year, according to American estimates. It has already been officially announced that the main task of the Belgrade government, at present, is the “fulfilment of the exports plan”(!) or, plainly speaking, the fulfilment of Tito’s “plan” for plundering Yugoslavia and exhausting her raw material resources for the benefit of the imperialists.

In pursuance of their self-seeking ends, the U.S. billionaires are advancing
“loans” to the Belgrade clique, on the condition, however, that they be used primarily for promoting the development of the ore mines and other enterprises connected with the mining and processing of non-ferrous metals.

Actively co-operating with the imperialists in the preparation of war, the Yugoslav rulers have been assigned one more task by their masters. In order to whip up a war psychosis and defame the peace-loving policy of the countries of the democratic camp, the Titoites are systematically engineering provocations on the borders of Albania, Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria, shifting the blame from the guilty to the innocent by spreading brazen allegations that these countries are... responsible for “fomenting military conflicts” in the Balkans. This provocative practice is directly connected with the feverish activities of the Titoite emissaries who, with the support of the “dollar diplomacy” have been and still are conducting negotiations in Athens, Rome, Vienna and other places directed against the peace-loving nations of Eastern Europe.

As a result of the “negotiations” with the Greek monarcho-fascists, the Athenian rulers have already obtained Tito’s consent for the return from Yugoslavia of several thousand Greek children removed some time ago in order to spare them the horrors of monarcho-fascist terror. In exchange for this, the Titoites acquired the right to a free zone in the port of Salonika through which the American death traders will supply armaments and munitions to Yugoslavia. Furthermore, direct railway communications between Yugoslavia and Greece have been restored by “mutual consent”. The Yugoslav fascists are now acting in team with the Greek monarcho-fascists under the supervision of Washington. This alone is enough to expose the Tito gang as the most vicious enemy of democracy and socialism!

In disregard of the Peace Treaty and contrary to the interests of the population of the Free Territory of Trieste, the ruling cliques of Italy and Yugoslavia are energetically bargaining over the division of the territory of Trieste. Exposing the machinations of the imperialists and of their Belgrade and Roman lackeys around this question, For a Socialist Yugoslavia wrote on June 7, 1950:

“It is the purpose of the plan of the Anglo-American imperialists not only to convert Trieste and its environs into a permanent base, but also to transform Yugoslavia and Italy into a springboard for military adventures against the USSR and the People’s Democracies. Tito’s fascist gang of spies has been actively co-operating in the fulfilment of this criminal plan at all its stages.”

The recent statements of the Belgrade fascists and the Austrian rulers about their “mutual desire for co-operation” shed light on the real nature of this “co-operation”. Desiring to receive further shipments of American armaments through the territory of Western Austria, the Yugoslav rulers, who shamelessly call themselves “Socialists”, hastened to render a service to the Austrian neo-nazis by releasing a large group of Austrian war criminals who together with the German fascists were perpetrating monstrous atrocities over Yugoslav guerrillas during the second world war.

“Business relations” are being hurriedly established between Tito and
American puppets in Western Germany. At a signal from the American prompters, the Titoites hastened to return to Western Germany a large group of nazis guilty of atrocities in Yugoslavia during the war. The French weekly *Action* wrote on May 22, 1950 in this connection that Adenauer agreed to the conclusion of a trade agreement with Yugoslavia only after the Belgrade government adopted the decision to “release 1,500 German war prisoners”. The magazine goes on to explain that these “war prisoners” had committed war crimes on Yugoslav territory, but, “on the recommendation of the American Ambassador at Belgrade, Allen, Tito decided to release them and... repatriate them to Western Germany”.

It is clear who dictated the desires of the servitors of American imperialism for “conciliation” and “co-operation”. The brazen character of the above-mentioned “agreements” furnishes a vivid illustration of the so-called “total diplomacy” of the U.S. State Department bosses.

The Titoite “diplomats” who are in the service of “total diplomacy” and along with it in the service of American intelligence, are conducting sabotage and espionage in the People’s Democracies. As correctly noted by the press of the Yugoslav revolutionary émigrés, the Belgrade Foreign Ministry has become a branch of the U.S. State Department.

This notwithstanding, the American warmongers and their hirelings will not succeed in converting the Balkans again into gun-powder barrel of Europe. They will not be allowed to do so by the peoples who are conducting a struggle against the military preparations of the imperialists.

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In difficult underground conditions, the Yugoslav Communists true to the principles of internationalism and to the cause of Lenin and Stalin, are rallying the forces of the Yugoslav patriots for still more energetic resistance to the treacherous policy which draws Yugoslavia into the aggressive bloc of the imperialist vultures.

The patriots are not only intensifying their resistance to the tyranny and lawlessness of the present rulers of Yugoslavia; they are acting with increasing determination against the production and export of strategic raw materials and manufactures to the countries of the imperialist bloc. The relentlessly exploited miners and lumberjacks are abandoning work in their thousands and thus hinder the fulfilment of the “exports obligations” with regard to deliveries of Yugoslav raw materials to the countries of the imperialist bloc.

Reports reaching the democratic press from Yugoslavia reveal that the workers are consciously resorting to various methods of reducing production, that they stop the machines on the pretext of their being out of order. Even official data show that at least 430,000 persons or nearly 70% of a total of 628,000 workers recruited for industry left the enterprises in the course of 10 months in 1949. More than 50% of the coal miners stay away from work. Eighty per cent of the workers in the Racko Pavlovic chemical works in Zemuna (near Belgrade) frequently fail to report to work.

The railwaymen are hindering shipments of freight from Yugoslavia to the imperialist countries.
Young people, forcibly rounded up for “voluntary” work in construction, refuse to slave for the Titoites and to help the Belgrade servitors of Wall Street to continue the plunder of Yugoslavia’s wealth and to use her as a colonial appendage of imperialist economy.

The resistance of Yugoslavia’s working class to the treacherous policy of the Belgrade clique is constantly growing and assuming an organized character.

The Yugoslav peasants are sabotaging farm work, refusing to work for the imperialist oppressors and their agents. More than 2,700,000 hectares of land remained unsown this year. Furthermore, the working peasants of Yugoslavia are acting against the Titoite pseudo-co-operatives where the peasants are forced to work for the exploiters—the kulaks.

All these facts indicate that the working people of Yugoslavia are rallying with increasing determination to the struggle against the rule of a handful of traitors cringing before the Anglo-American colonizers. In one of its latest issues, For a Socialist Yugoslavia declared that the Yugoslav people will not allow the imperialist instigators of war to use Yugoslavia as a bridgehead and that they will never fight against their liberator and true friend—the Soviet Union.

The Yugoslav patriots say: the imperialists will do well to remember the lessons of history and the end of the attempt of the Hitlerite pack to use the working masses of the satellite countries and the population of the occupied territories in their criminal war.

The Yugoslav people will put an end to the fascist dictatorship of Tito and Rankovic, just as they did in the recent past to the reactionary royalist dictatorship of the Karadjordjevihns. Deep faith in the strength of the popular masses of Yugoslavia permeates the words of the resolution of the Information Bureau of the Communist and Workers’ Parties, i.e., that “under the leadership of the working class, the working people of Yugoslavia will restore the historical achievements of the People’s Democracy won by the peoples of Yugoslavia at the cost of hard sacrifices and heroic struggle, and will advance along the course of socialist construction”.

The ground is burning under the feet of the Tito-Rankovic gang, and this is a stern warning to the imperialists who have set out to use Yugoslavia and her peoples in their aggressive plans for struggle against the democratic camp.

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