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FINAL JUNE 11TH PREPARATIONS

With the June 11th Demonstration only a few days away, all our energy should be focussed on last minute mobilization and organizing the Party presence at the demonstration. The role of Reagan in minimizing progress at the Summitt should be a basis for last minute mobilization for June 11th.

The Party presence at June 11th will be a contribution to the overall political content of the demonstration and an important vehicle for expanding the Party presence in the mass movement. Party presence will consist of the contingent, PDW distribution and literature table in Central Park.

CONTINGENT

Our aim is a Party, YCL and Friends contigent of close to 1000 people. As in previous demonstrations, this will be a lively contingent with banners, balloons, sound system for chants, etc. There will be an organized children's contingent which will include having juggling, magicians and other activities for the children while we wait for the March to start.

Our approach to the contingent is that every Party and YCL comrade should make every effort to participate. Even if you come with other people or organizations, it is not necessary to spend the entire time with them. When the March starts, it should be possible for comrades to join and march with the CP/YCL contingent.

THE MEETING PLACE FOR THE CONTINGENT AND FOR THE PDW DISTRIBUTION AT THE STAGING AREA IS 48TH AND 2ND AVENUE

PDW DISTRIBUTION - Staging area and Park

Our aim is to distribute thousands of PDW's at the staging area but also at the Park. Comrades should arrive at 9:00 A.M. to distribute

the PDW's. The majority of PDW's will be distributed in the Park since most people, in our experience, prefer to take the PDW's after they finish marching. The distribution point will be from our literature table on the Great Lawn which will be marked by large red balloons.

In addition, we are asking the following clubs to assign five comrades each to go to the Park by Noon (i.e. not to march) in order to help with distribution in the Park before our contingent arrives.

Inwood -- Robeson -- Lumer-- Columbus -- Chelsea II

JUNE 12TH PUERTO RICAN DAY PARADE

Two things are obvious about the Puerto Rican Day Parade. One is that it is one of the most important events of the year for mass Party and PDW presence in the Puerto Rican community. The second is that it is going to be difficult for comrades to put in a full day on June 11th and then again on June 12th. Nevertheless, we hope that clubs will do every thing possible to mobilize people starting at 1:00 P.M. for the parade. We have not yet been given our location by the parade committee. We hope to know it by Tuesday, June 7.

ELECTION PREPARATION SCHEDULE

With the July 12th petition date getting closer and with many exciting developments in both the Zagarell and Mitchell campaigns, the Board adopted the following schedule of discussions to prepare the Party for the campaign:

June 8 -- Board discussion on the elections

June 18 -- State Committee meeting

June 20-24 -- Section membership meetings on
the elections

June 29 -- Board meeting on the elections

July 12th -- first day of petitionning -- remember Comrades -- we want all comrades to try to take July 12th off from work in order to petition. In addition, clubs need to plan to collect 50% of their goal in the first week of the drive.

JUNE 21ST STATE WIDE RALLY IN SUPPORT OF THE PATERSON-GREEN ANTI-BIAS LEGISLATION

With new incidents of racist violence occurring in Rochester, Brooklyn and the Bronx, and with little progress being made on many of the cases that have occurred in the last year, momentum is building for the passage of anti-Bias legislation. It is now the estimate of people close to the State Legislature that passage of some significant anti-Bias legislation is possible this year -- with continued broad mass pressure.

New Yorkers for Racial and Social Justice have therefore, called for a state-wide mass lobby in support of the Paterson-Green Bill on Tuesday, June 21st.

The schedule will be as follows: (tentative)

10:30 A.M. - Hearing before State Black and Puerto Rican Legislative Caucus

12:00 Noon - Mass Rally Afternoon - lobbying

This is being planned as a state-wide rally with groups from Buffalo, Rochester, Albany, Mid-Hudson, etc. participating.

Buses will leave New York City at 6:30 A.M. from 1199 -- 43rd Street between 8th and 9th. Tickets are \$10. Groups that want to organize local buses may arrange that through New Yorkers for Racial and Social Justice.

For information, call 212-582-1890 and ask for Joyce Duncan.

NEXT ROUND OF RECRUITING EVENTS

The next round of recruiting events are planned for the last two weeks in June. It will include upstate travel and local club events in New York City. Call Carol at the District Office to make arrangements.

PDW FUND DRIVE

PDW PHON-A-THON

Come to the PDW Phon-a-Thon. Come to speak to PDW readers and ask them to give money to their favorite paper, the PDW.

New York is seriously lagging in the Fund Drive. Call Susan -- 924-0550

VOLUNTEER

Dates: June 20, 21, 22 and 23, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 5:30 - 8:30 P.M.

PDW BRUNCH

An old-fashioned Herring and Potato Party nets the Friends of the People's Daily World in Manhattan Beach \$260.00 for their favorite newspaper!!

A Brunch recently held brought 30 to 35 people to listen to an analysis of the news events by our Editor, Barry Cohen.

A variety of food was had -- most catered, some donated:

The Brunch was a great success! Most participants left with a refreshed feeling in their stomachs and a positive outlook in their minds!!

1988 CALENDER

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June 11	Major Peace Demonstration Puerto Rican Day Parade YCL National Convention
	Amherst, MA
June 18	State Committee Meeting
June 21	Albany Demo for Paterson Bill
July 8	Last day to register to vote in
	Sept. Primary (tentative)
July 12	First day of petitionning for
	independent candidates
August 16	First day of filing for independents
August 23	Last day to file
September 5	Labor Day - Caribbean Day
September 11	Afro-American Day Parade (tentative)
September 13	Primary & filing of independent
	petitions (tentative)
September 18	PDW Picnic - Arrow Park
October 8	Last day to register to vote in the
	November election
to be decided	Campaign Kick-Off Rally
	Fall Campaign Rally
November 8	Election Day

IF YOU ASK ME...

The New Alliance Party — Reaganism in left garb

By Jarvis Tyner

hen it comes to the New Alliance Party, the cat is out of the bag.

After months of claiming to support the Rev. Jesse Jackson, the NAP has now admitted that its main goal in the 1988 elections is to defeat the Democrats.

Lenora Fulani puts it clearly in the April 28 issue of the National Alliance, the paper of the NAP: "I continue my support for Jesse as far as the Democratic Party allows us to go. But until we're willing to break away, to go independent and to cost the party something near and dear, like the 1988 election, the Kochs and Cuomos and Kirks of this country will be free to organize a racist assault whenever they please . . . The Rainbow needs to teach these perpetuators of racial and class violence a lesson that they'll never forget."

Fulani amplified this same theme in an interview in the New York Amsterdam News (April 23). Says the Amsterdam News, "She sees the election as likely to be a very close one and she held that if only two to three percent of Jackson's supporters fled the Democratic Party in November, that would deal a fatal blow to Democratic hopes of taking the White House."

Though militant sounding, this posi-

tion will actually help bring greater hardships on the people because it will help to bring victory to the most extreme right wing forces.

And what lesson is the NAP trying to teach? Does the NAP really believe that Koch fears their efforts to help the Republicans? Koch and other like-minded Democrats have always run with a degree of covert, if not open, Republican support. Does the NAP believe that Reaganite Democrats like Koch really fear a Bush victory in November? And what kind of lesson would it be for the genuine independent forces to cause a Bush win in November? And who is going to suffer the greatest hardship if Bush wins? NAP's approach is nothing more than punishing yourself by rewarding your worst enemies, which is a step below the "reward your friends, punish your enemies" approach to electoral politics. For the movement around Jackson, it would be like planting the seeds, cultivating them, but not harvesting the crop in November.

More than his charisma or color, it has been Jackson's anti-Reagan stand on the issues that has welded together the powerful multi-racial, Afro-American-labor coalition that has had such a positive impact on the country. This is what worries the powers that be. Jackson's anti-Reaganism is the main reason they want to stop him. Nothing would make the ultra-right Reaganites happier than to see that movement

split and diverted in November.

The essence of the NAP's position is to split off a section of the African-American vote, to divide it from labor and other allies. This position will, of course, not increase, but lessen Jackson's leverage at the Democratic Party convention. The independent forces certainly won't benefit



from that. Playing this kind of role may be why NAP has been able to get a quarter of a million dollars in federal matching funds.

Furthermore, the tactic of diverting the grassroots coalition around Jackson away from its anti-Reaganism approach to punish the Democratic Party will sount the death knell of the coalition. The great est strength of the Jackson movement habeen its forthright and consistant standagainst Reaganism.

The anger in the the Jackson movement against the Kochs and the other and Jackson Democrats is more than justly diserved. But to pursue in response a tact that would help elect Bush is to take yo eyes from the prize. This must be rejected. A people's party will be born in the country and I believe it's not far off. Bus such a party cannot be declared into existence or hot-housed artificially. The struggle for it will take its own course and pace. In fact, today's struggles are a part of its birth.

Of course these kinds of divisive tactics are not new for the NAP leadership. Once upon a time. Lyndon Larouche also proclaimed his party as the independent party and pretended to have massive Black and labor support. But as everyone knows, they ended up openly ultra-right, racist and anti-labor to the max. Among other crimes, they destroyed a predominantly Black organization, the Welfare Rights Organization, and unfolded physical assaults on progressives, especially against those in the Communist Party. Some of the leaders in the NAP where also leaders in the Larouche group. There is a lesson here for all concerned. There is nothing new about the New Alliance Party. It is as old as infiltrator, con-man and provocateur.

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