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FOR THE CANADIAN PROLETARIAN PARTY (Marxist-Leninist)

CELEBRATE International Women's Day

To match the shopping list with the paycheque - what an impossible job! For how can we match the 17.7% jump in food prices with wage increases of 6%? How can we narrow the mushrooming gap between men's and women's wages with the AIB's percentage formula sitting on our backs? How can we women keep our jobs while the state blames us for high unemployment and orders us back into the home? How can we work at all as public daycare centres are wiped out? How can we survive on welfare and UIC as the benefits shrink? How can we fight back with RCMP spies in our ranks? How can we fight with our right to strike denied?

Yes, it's been a tough year for the working class - and particularly women.

But we are not passive. Our resistance grows. Bell Telephone workers struggle against the AIB, Vancouver waitresses struggle for their right to unionize, injured women workers fight for supplements tied to the cost of living, and welfare recipients demonstrate against benefit cutbacks.

WHO SHOULD WE BLAME?

Men? Trudeau and the Liberal Party? The supermarket chains? The multinational corporations? The answer is not so simple. Our enemy is bigger than Mr. Trudeau or Mr. Davis. It's the entire capitalist system. The system that puts profit ahead of the peoples' needs. The system that divides our country into two classes - the handful who own the industries, the banks and the state, and the majority who own nothing but the power to sell their labor. The system that puts the burden of its everlasting crises on the backs of working people.

This system of private property began centuries ago, and with it, women's oppression. We must pin the blame on class society. Only a society that guarantees equality for all workers - regardless of sex, age, race or

nationality - only such a society can free women. This is why the communist programme says: no women's liberation without socialist revolution.

HOW SHOULD WE FIGHT?

Should women go off in a corner and spit on men, as some radical feminists suggest? Should we rest content with plastering a few bandaids here and there, like our union bosses do? Should we fight for seats in Parliament like the NDP does?

The communist programme says no to all three. It says men and women have the same enemy, the same struggle - they must unite. It says bandaids are not enough. We must cut out and destroy the cancer of capitalism or continue to tread water at best. It says Parliament is a talk shop for the ruling class, who will defend their laws and institutions to the bitter end. It will never be "biased" in favor of workers so long as capitalists control state power.

The communist programme gets to the heart of the matter. It puts the struggle for socialism up front - not on a cold back burner! For socialist revolution is not a dream - it has already begun.

The communist programme is also a guide to action - it's not meant to grow dusty on a shelf! To involve women in all areas of social and political life, and to unite men and women in the struggle for socialism, the programme upholds three immediate demands: 1) equal pay for equal work; 2) paid maternity leave; 3) free daycare.

There can be no women's liberation without socialism - but there can be no socialism without women's participation!

Do you want to know more? Then come and meet us. Come and celebrate International Women's Day and discuss with other workers the communist solution to women's oppression.

Meeting Friday March 10 (see over)

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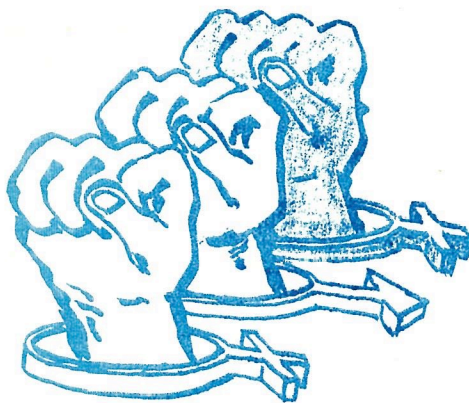
Celebrate International Women's Day

To involve women in all areas of life and to unite men and women in the struggle for socialism, we demand:

- 1. Equal pay for equal work*
- 2. Paid maternity leave*
- 3. Free daycare*

**NO WOMEN'S LIBERATION
WITHOUT SOCIALIST REVOLUTION**

**NO SOCIALIST REVOLUTION
WITHOUT
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Speeches:

A WOMAN ON WELFARE

A SPEAKER FROM IN STRUGGLE!

and others

Songs, Dancing, Liquor Licence

Free Daycare On Premises. Men Welcome!

Voluntary Contribution: 1.50

March 10, Friday, 8:00 p.m.

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