DALLAS, TX—

Over 2,000 people marched through the streets of Dallas November 3 to show the hated racists of this state that the people will not allow the KKK to intimidate them.

The Coalition for Human Dignity organized in only two short weeks a broad-based support to counter the KKK march in Dallas. Over 2,000 black, brown and white working people from all over the state marched, chanting slogans of “KKK-Scum of the Land” and “A people united will never be defeated.”

Strong resistance to racism was evident as people drove the 50 Klan off the streets, forcing the Klan to stop their display of racism and white supremacy.

The working relationship between the government and the racist Klan was made clear when Dallas police were forced to escort the Klan to safety.

After the anti-racist march, the Coalition for Human Dignity had a one-half hour rally where representatives of the Patriots, Workers World, the Frederick Douglass Voice Collective, El PUEBLO Collective, Brown Berets, and others denounced the KKK and all its supporters.

The speakers made clear the relationship between the KKK and the economic crisis. Throughout history whenever there is a downturn in the economy racism appears strongly to divert workers from the real problems of society.

Our enemy is not black, white or undocumented workers as the KKK would have us believe. Our enemy is an economic system that makes scapegoats of these groups.

The march in Dallas against racism and for human dignity made clear the need for people to stand against the KKK and all its supporters wherever they may appear.

Paint Sniffing Abuse
Agency Fights Drug Problem

SAN ANTONIO, TX —

What is paint sniffing? How are these products affecting our community? These products are being abused by our youth who have access to it because it is sold over the counter legally to anyone over 18 years-old.

The main product, "spray paint," in particular silver, gold or copper, is being abused by people who don’t have the means to buy a more expensive drug — which is not an alternative either.

The spray paint is used to attain a "high," a feeling of being intoxicated. When youth use spray paint they can get passive or at times violent, and they will hallucinate.

According to some authorities (Dr. M. Bann, 1970), the health hazards involved in such abuse include extensive liver and kidney damage as well as damage to the bone marrow that produces red blood cells.

According to police, and many social workers as well agree, that continued use of such inhalants may lead to excessive violent behavior.

The Mexican American Neighborhood Civic Organization (MANCO), has been working with this type of abuser since 1969. This organization has a Drug Free Outpatient Program which provides counseling.
In the August-September issue PERSPECTIVA FEMENIL raised the question why is the work of raising our children valued so little? Why is it that women are forced to stay on welfare because of the Medicaid benefits?

The following is a response.

People who depend on the state for their livelihood, through the welfare program, often find that they have little choice but to stay on welfare.

The welfare program has become a dangerous enemy to working people. It is dangerous because it is taking the place of good paying jobs, quality education, relevant training, and instead is providing only the bare necessities for people to survive. Welfare is forcing people to remain poor, uneducated, untrained and dependent on the state for their livelihood. It does this because the society cannot provide for the basic human needs, such as affordable health care.

One reason women on welfare are forced to live on $116 a month is simply because of the high cost of health care.

If a woman has a sickly child or has five young children and she has no skills and cannot find a job that pays more than the minimum wage, she is forced to stay on welfare to receive her Medicaid card. This way, a mother knows her children at least will be able to see a doctor when they have to get the expensive medication they need.

What welfare does, therefore is create a vicious cycle – a cycle of dependency and poverty where children do not get quality education, nor decent housing nor a positive self-image. Welfare only fills the ranks of a large unemployed working class.

A rich and so-called prosperous government such as the U.S. should not have people barely surviving on the welfare program – they should not even have the existing welfare program at all.

Instead this government must make an all out effort to provide more jobs, to give us quality and relevant training to prepare us for the work force, and it must give our children quality education and get rid of racist and bigoted teachers that cause a high drop-out rate. Many times when our children grow up they are forced to get on welfare for lack of proper training.

If a woman (or man) cannot work and must stay home to watch her children she deserves more than $116 a month. The proper raising of our children is worth much more than these meager handouts.

The government must do away with the facade of the WIN (Work Incentive) Program as it only forces mothers with children over 6 to take jobs as waitresses or maids and therefore denies them access to Medicaid.

For years now, the government has promoted itself by keeping a sector of the working people on its knees.

It is time all working people rose to their feet and demanded jobs, training and day care instead of welfare.

**Scenes like the above are more and more common in poor neighborhoods. The young learn from the older and the cycle continues. Note: The kids shown above are NOT paint sniffers. They simply re-enacted the scene out of concern for their friends. (Photo: MANCO).**

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**MANCO**

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and other alternatives which include finding employment, placement in skill training, advocating for the youth in the schools and providing recreation activities for the younger abuser.

MANCO runs a prevention and intervention program which makes presentation at schools, other service agencies and community meetings. The staff also provides awareness and counseling services to youth and families in the community.

MANCO also has a youth home named Myra S. Pryor, that provides residential placement for 25 youths in the area. It tries to provide a home-like environment to youths who are run-aways and also have problems with the law.

These are only a few of the programs that exist in our community and are making an effort to provide assistance and awareness to those who are in need.

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**Strike**

churches that helped.

The strikers and union leaders suffered arrests, attacks from police dogs and the use of company scabs. But the resistance and unity of the workers was stronger than the attacks and company abuses.

For more information, to give messages of support and solidarity, or to give donations, write to ISU, 3125 E. Eighth Street, Los Angeles, CA 90005.

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**EL PUEBLO**
Questions Raised by Sanchez's Death

1. Why was Javier's body riddled with over 50 bullets and was he lying dead on the ground?
2. Why are the police hiding the fact that during their target practice on Javier's body their bullets hit officer Coy Warren (Boone's body was under Javier's)
3. What physical damage had Javier suffered previously when savagely beaten by Houston cops?
4. What effect did Javier's long unemployment and underemployment have on society and his people?
5. What is wrong with a society that drives a 19-year-old into such desperate acts of self-destruction?

How many more young people, similarly isolated from society, will have to be killed like dogs before society addresses the root of the problem?

BANDERILLAZOS POLITICOS

Mrs. Saldivar is a Social Worker and has a degree in the field of Sociology. This column is based on her professional and personal experience and observations.

By: Amanda Saldivar

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Most of the people she has tried to remove have been Mexicans.

In the way, aren't we supposed to have a City Council-City Manager type of government system? It's a waste of time for the City Council to ask Chief Pecora to remove Eureste? Shouldn't she have asked the City Council to ask Chief Pecora to remove Eureste since Chief Pecora is under the City Manager's control? The Mayor threatened to fire the police if they were not able to stop the riots.

And by the way, the other councilmen were also out of line.

Isn't it out of line to violate the rights of the Texas student? The Constitution guarantees them the right to continue to continue to be a teacher. Cockrell excluded them as candidates for the election.

In this column, the Mayor that she is sick with the best social worker in the world, but even she knows enough about the human being to make a diagnosis. So I accept her professional observations that she is sick.

Councilman Henry Cameron had a function on November 8 and he forget to make a statement. He made one, probably because they did not attend by charging $395 per ticket. The Mexican workers are too poor to be able to afford that price and he knows it. Yet, when it comes to fighting for the Mexican workers can not win without their vote. Mr. Cameron better think twice and not to do it again. I suggest he make a statement on the three dollars he is going to be picked by a group of people that are controlled by his double talk and double dealings.

San Antonio Worker Wins Union Struggle

The case was filled with the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) which took seven months before hearing the case. The NLRB found that the company had no proof of their allegations.

The company appealed the case and the federal judge didn't hear the case until April, 1979, when it was decided again in Rocha's favor.

By this time, the organizing drive within Tampo had been successful. The company was in a union victory. Tampo became unionized on April 24 of 1978.

This case helps clarify the fact that the struggle against company tactics to break union drives requires strong dedication and sacrifice.

Nonetheless workers must continue to fight for all their democratic rights which include the right to unionize and better working conditions.

Rocha and IUE in this case, prove to workers that with unity the working class can defeat the bosses and correct the injustices that exist.

Undocumented Resist

The Maricopa County Organizing Project (MCOP) continues its organizing efforts in the state of Arizona.

More recently, we have the example of undocumented workers that won the strike at Reflectolite Products, Inc. in Los Angeles (see related article on Page 1). Clearly, one of the most important aspects of this victory is the immigration clause in the collective contract.

Naturally, this is only a legal tool. However, it can serve as a means to unite the undocumented against the company abuses and deportation threats.

The organizers of existing unions should seriously reconsider the misuse of the national elevator system, the AFL-CIO. This mistake is their decision not to organize the undocumented workers and to falsely accuse them of being responsible for the deplorable condition of the national economy.

We must not forget that all workers, with or without documents, have the duty to unite and organize ourselves in order to protect our interests and our rights, both human and civil.

Strength is in unity. The repeated lessons of history are proof of this. All workers, not only the undocumented, will have to see the fundamental injustice of the reality we live. We must take control over our own lives and our own actions.

A working and united people, will never be defeated!
EDITORIAL

KKK: Who Do They Serve?

The KKK dogs are on the loose again. The rich rulers have unleashed them in their attempt to keep workers under control during the current economic crisis.

The KKK has always served as a weapon to block the unity of workers in the U.S. Originally organized in the 1870's for the purpose of exterminating the Blacks, the KKK has surfaced and spread its poison during times when workers' unity was critical.

For example, in the 1930's the KKK surfaced to block the progress of labor unions.

Today, in Texas and other states the KKK has suddenly become a "legitimate" group. The commercial media and the government have given it good publicity and recognition.

Rednecks and bigots, who are plentiful in this country, have been recruited for one simple mission: Cater to the fears and worries of people. Tell them "whites must unite against the minorities, the poor and the communists." Tell them anything but don't tell them who really causes unemployment, high prices and workers' suffering.

The "just and democratic" government of the U.S. rapidly attacked to stop the Black Panthers, the American Indian Movement and other people's organizations through FBI illegal maneuvers.

Yet the same "democratic" government has been supposedly unable to stop the KKK murderers.

Since the (In)Justice Department and other police forces in this "democracy" have refused to stop the KKK, it is up to the people to stop them. We must support all activities against the KKK, we must demand that all politicians take concrete action to stop the KKK.

Deport the Criminal Shah!

The American people must not permit the U.S. demagogues to confuse the Iranian question.

The Iranians' demand is simple: Extricate the Shah to stand trial.

Why? Because he murdered thousands of Iranians and stole billions of dollars.

The rich rulers of the U.S. government, who do not represent the best interests of the U.S. people, want to protect their long-time friend at the expense of the American and Iranian people.

It's as simple as this: If an American mass-murderer and thief was being protected by any foreign country, the American government would resent it and demand cooperation.

So, what gives Kissinger, Rockefeller, Carter and friends the right to protect and defend a criminal like the Shah? Why should the people in the U.S. risk war over a thief?

Even though we do not condone the tactic of taking innocent hostages, why should the American and Iranian people hate and attack each other over a scoundrel like the Shah?

But even more importantly: When are the American people going to stop brutal dictators like the Shah, Nuyen Cao Ky, Somozas and others from using the U.S. as a hideout?

Letters to EL PUEBLO

EL PUEBLO friends,

I'm sending you this letter to inform you of problems that have been going on in the schools. I have seen and heard of many problems at several schools.

For example, some time ago at Tafolla, my children experienced some difficulties that I never thought they could have.

My daughter Norma, had a teacher that when she taught history, she interpreted the lessons with her own racist attitude.

Speaking of history of the Southwest, she would refer to my daughter with the purpose of insulting her because she had not been born here in Texas in the United States. Perhaps the teacher did it because she's Northamerican and we are Mexican.

One of the results of this type of attitude was that the students themselves learned to attack my children, picking one against the other.

Many times my children were insulted and beaten, which is why they complained to the principal at Tafolla. The principal paid no attention to the complaints of the insulted and beaten ones, instead he would do for those that insulted solely because he wanted to protect his car. (The principal is also North American).

This is what happened at that school and what I'd like to know is how many more Mexican mothers had gone or are going through this or much worse.

If you have anything to inform EL PUEBLO, don't forget to send your complaint to this, your newspaper.

Sincerely,

E. V. SALINAS

COMMENTARY

The message that we of EL PUEBLO get from this letter is as follows:

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