

NOTES FROM A COMMUNIST FARMWORKER

The way people think under capitalism should be in synch with the position they occupy in the society. A boss thinks like a rich person, because he's rich and he belongs to the ruling class, the capitalists. And a worker should think like a worker, because he belongs to the working class. But, there are workers who think like the rich. But this is an incorrect way to think, since workers who think like this can even get to the point of becoming enemies of their own class.

And, what about a politician? What's his place in society? Whom does he serve? And, how does he think? If a bourgeois politician has a place in the bureaucracy of a capitalist government, his mission is to support and strengthen the capitalist system, a system based on the exploitation of the workers. Even when the politician comes from a working class family, the fact of occupying a place in the state means that his way of thinking won't be that of a worker but of the privileged. So this politician lives well, dresses well, and makes a lot of money, and is friends with other people who live well. And he was educated in a university whose job it is to ideologically win students to support the capitalist system.

So then, this supposed politician, due to the fact that he serves the capitalists, will never think like a worker.

WORKERS WHO THINK LIKE THE RICH

Why are there workers who think like the rich without being rich, and even act as enemies of the working class? We can see that the State, as maximum repre-

sentative of the capitalist system, strengthens and reinforces the power of the bosses, imposing on society the way of thinking that most serves their interests, using all the means at their disposal to mold the thinking even of first graders in school.

If the capitalist system is based on exploitation, racism, deceit, etc. it's logical that the rulers teach children in school to always compete in everything but never to share. If sharing were promoted as the main social value, the ruling class would have to be the first to share their wealth with the workers. That's why in the schools they always have to push the bosses' ideas of: "me first", "mine" "what can't be for me shouldn't be for anyone," etc, etc. They teach the children in school to think like bosses. And so when the children become adults, even when they are simple wage slaves, they'll have ideas of the rich bosses.

Another way the State pushes the bosses' ideas is through the media and the politicians, who repeat like parrots about the American Dream, land of opportunity, democracy, etc., But its enough to know that millions of old people, after years of work, raising children for the wars and paying taxes, don't have adequate medical insurance; that millions of workers and their families who don't have health insurance, who are unemployed, and without a place to live, to understand that the American dream, democracy for all, and about the "opportunities" are a pure lie.

If we workers don't learn to know what interests are hidden behind every one of these pretty phrases, we'll only continue being stubborn victims of capitalism.

Because the essence of capitalism, in which we live, is the exploitation of workers, and all the rest is appearance.

HOW WILL PEOPLE THINK UNDER COMMUNISM?

Understanding that nothing is eternal in the world and everything is in constant change and movement, nature changes, social systems change, and with this also peoples' way of thinking changes.

So the capitalist system also will change and will be substituted by a communist system. This change won't happen through elections, but through an abrupt, violent change, that is, through a workers' revolution, with which the working class will wrest power from the capitalist class.

Once this has occurred, the key institutions where we'll ideologically educate the people from their infancy, like the factories and schools and our party itself, will no longer be fertile ground for the sewers of the bosses' ideas. These institutions will only serve the workers and our communist society. Because capitalism will pass into history.

With this radical change, society's way of thinking will be different. The workers won't think like the rich, nor will they think like exploited wage slaves. Instead they'll think like people with dignity, committed to work for the wellbeing of a society of communist social equality.