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■ ANYONE who has plodded through the dreary tomes of Lenin and his turgid revolutionary literati is aware of the importance Communists ascribe to the indoctrination and recruitment of youth. It is the young who are the cannon fodder of revolution. And the key to recruiting students into any revolutionary movement is access to the classroom. First the teachers, then the students, then the Revolution! As Lenin phrased it:

*Only by radically remolding the teaching, organization and training of the youth shall we be able to ensure that the efforts of the younger generation will result in the creation of a society that will be unlike the old society, i.e., in the creation of a communist society.*

This "remolding" process has been proceeding on American campuses for several decades, guided for the most part by Fabian Socialists who have turned successive generations of students to the

Left. Now, the Communists are becoming increasingly bolder as their opposition in the ivy halls has succumbed to age or been overcome by academic and social pressure.

Political radicalism has been in vogue on our nation's campuses since the publicity attendant to the Filthy Speech Revolution at Berkeley in 1964. But, while philosophical radicalism has been "in," and increasing numbers of students have been drawn into the Communists' "peace" and "social action" movements, only a minority have been willing openly to involve themselves with the Communist Party. The Communists now believe, however, that the psychological climate has been sufficiently prepared to place open Communists on college faculties, helping to remove the stigma attached to Party membership. Thus the Communist Party is preparing to use the courts to challenge what bars remain to the employment of Communists to teach in our public schools and universities.

Chosen to front destruction of the remaining barriers was Angela Davis, a twenty-five-year-old member of the Communist Party hired to teach philosophy at U.C.L.A. Angela was a perfect choice. Students easily identify with this attractive, miniskirted, very hip young lady who, as Al Capp says, is of "the currently fashionable color." In the illusions of the hour, Miss Davis seems "relevant" to the "now generation" in a way no stale-breathed, rumpled old Comrade from the Thirties could ever be.

The Communists recognized Angela Davis as a v.s.p. at a very young age. She grew up in Birmingham, Alabama, where

her father (formerly a history teacher and now proprietor of his own business) and her mother (an elementary schoolteacher) were "Civil Rights" activists. Angela told an interviewer that as a child, while her parents participated in various protests, she would play with the children of Communists involved in the demonstrations to which her parents devoted their time. This, she said, removed any fear she might have had about Communists or Communism.

Miss Davis was already well oriented to the Left when at age fifteen she received a scholarship from the radical American Friends Service Committee to attend the private and exclusive Elizabeth Irwin High School in New York City. There, in the amusing language of *Soul* magazine, she "received academic and intellectual confirmation of the rightness of her emotional and existential responses to socialistic ideals." *Soul* continues:

*She remembers that some of her teachers there "considered themselves Marxists" and that their views influenced her further thinking on American history for example. Engaged as she was in "the movement" for Black Liberation there where "a lot of Socialist ideas were floating around," she "cemented" her "commitment to Socialism."*

As a sophomore in high school, Angela was placed in the home of identified members of the Communist Party. This was appropriate because Elizabeth Irwin High School was known as "the little Red school house." There her classmates included Bettina Aptheker, daughter of top Communist Party official Herbert Aptheker. At graduation she received yet another scholarship — this time to Brandeis University, where she majored in French literature, spent her junior year abroad studying at the Sorbonne in Paris (on scholarship), and graduated Phi Beta

Kappa and *magna cum laude*. Though majoring in French literature at Brandeis, Miss Davis was carefully tutored by Professor of Philosophy Herbert Marcuse, a notorious Marxist and revolutionary. As she described it to Comrade Sam Kushner of the Communist *People's World*:

*While at Brandeis I first met [Herbert] Marcuse, and enrolled in some of his philosophy courses. He had the greatest influence on me through his lectures, his books, and as a person. As a result of this I decided to do my graduate work in philosophy. It was with Marcuse's recommendation that I was accepted as a student [on scholarship once again] with Theodo W. Adorna at the Institute of Social Research in Frankfurt. I spent two years there. This Institute is a center for Marxist study.\* Then I returned in 1967 to the States, and went to the University of California in San Diego [once again, on scholarship] where I began work on my dissertation under Marcuse.*

While Miss Davis was taking lessons in Marxism in the original German, Herr Professor Marcuse had been enticed from snowy Massachusetts to balmy, bourgeois San Diego by the munificent taxpayers of California. And you'd better believe that Herr Dr. Marcuse is no tweedy "parlor pink." He has, in fact, been promoted by the Communists as hero to Marxist youth. The Communist students who manned the Paris barricades in the spring of 1968 flew banners proclaiming: "Marx, Marcuse and Mao." As they put it: "We see Marx as the prophet, Marcuse as his interpreter, and Mao as the sword." You can bet that obscure college

\**Newsweek* of September 6, 1969, describing her as "black, proud [and] beautiful," reports that Angela did her graduate work at Goethe University and says nothing about any "center for Marxist study."

professors do not make the revolutionary trinity without reason.

J. G. Sourwine, chief counsel of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee, has described Miss Davis' mentor this way:

*Marcuse preaches . . . that we must completely destroy the present society . . . he is a self-confessed anarchist and nihilist . . . He preaches that . . . our single goal must be the complete destruction of society . . . He also follows . . . what has been called the line of Freudian-Marxism that human drives originate in self-preservation and sex and have to be channeled in other directions in order for civilization to rise, and if we can channel those drives back into sex and violence, there will not be any drive left. We will have a generation that goes nowhere.\**

Before enrolling under Herbert Marcuse at U.C.S.D., Miss Davis had worked with the Castroite S.N.C.C. organization, which gained international notoriety under Comrades Stokely Carmichael and H. "Rap" Brown. While studying in Germany she had belonged to the Marxist German youth organization known as S.D.S. By the time she returned to the United States she was a committed Communist, although she had not yet joined the Party. *Soul* magazine reports:

*Her activities in California are a logical consequence [sic] of all that had shaped Angela Davis before her arrival to this state. She was to undertake her "task as a Marxist," which she defines as "presenting Socialism as the alternative for Black people . . . as the framework . . . the only framework . . . in which we can begin to solve such really ingrained problems as*

*racism, in which we can begin to talk about the eradication of economic oppression."*

*Soul* also informs us: "Prior to her nearly complete immersion in graduate school responsibilities and teaching, Miss Davis was a full-time worker with the Black Panther Party." According to the *San Francisco Chronicle* of September 30, 1969, Angela Davis is still a member of the Communist Black Panthers. She told interviewer Phil Watson on radio station KPFK that she has no ideological differences with the Panthers and will continue to support and work with them. The November 1969 issue of *Political Affairs*, official theoretical journal of the Communist Party, U.S.A., describes the Black Panthers as "... a Marxist-Leninist political party," and states:

*Despite organizational, political and ideological weaknesses the Black Panthers, in a remarkably short time through struggle, had displayed tremendous political growth, development and flexibility. This has to be noted. It reflects the limitless potentialities of the black liberation movement.*

*The Black Panther Party repudiated the anti-white abstraction. It began to recognize the vital importance of the role of classes in a struggle in which class, race and nationalism were predominant factors.*

The Communist Party closes its *Political Affairs* directive on the Panthers by declaring: "The membership of the Communist Party should stand in the forefront in defense of the Black Panthers."

In the spring of 1967, Angela Davis

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\*The latter is the crux of Conservative arguments against "sex stimulation" courses in the public schools. As Marcuse puts it: "The Marxian idea of socialism is not radical enough. . . . We must develop the moral-sexual rebellion of the youth."

did a very peculiar thing. As a member of the Black Panther Party she joined the Communist Party — rather like a chicken becoming an egg. During recent years most young Communists who are black have become members of Maoist groups like the Panthers, S.N.C.C., the Progressive Labor Party, R.A.M., or the Republic of New Africa, where they can personally lead and manipulate greater numbers. The New Leftists, black and white, have considered the old-line Communist Party to be “square” and “conservative,” composed of ancient grey-beards from the Pleistocene



**Communist Angela Davis teaches at U.C.L.A.**

Age of the Thirties. For its part, the Communist Party has continued recruiting young members and has not worried unduly about its “stodgy image.” The Party’s chief interest in the psycho-neurotic fanatics who people the New Left and Black Nationalist movements is as cannon fodder. They are undisciplinable.

The role of the Communist Party has been to influence and control the New Left and Black Nationalist movements from the top. Which is why it would have been more plausible for Angela Davis to

secretly join the Communist Party and *then* infiltrate the Black Panthers, rather than the other way around. In this case, the Party had another strategy in mind. Remember that everyone involved wanted it known that Angela was a member of the Communist Party. As the Communist *Daily World* of September 24, 1969, admits: “Miss Davis had made no secret of her membership [*in the Communist Party*].” The objective of this strategy would soon become apparent.

From the orbit of Professor Marcuse, Miss Davis was passed into that of Professor Donald Kalish, Chairman of the Philosophy Department at U.C.L.A. The transition was not one which would cause Miss Davis to suffer traumatic adjustment. Kalish is perhaps the top activist in anti-American activities in Southern California. His primary Front is The Peace Action Council, which he co-chairs with identified Communist Irving Sarnoff. A more complete listing of his pro-Communist activities, compiled by the authoritative Fire and Police Research Association, fills three type-written pages — single-spaced.

Kalish is the sort of professor who in years past would have righteously claimed that he was simply an innocent “Liberal” and accused all who would dispute this transparency of being “McCarthyites.” But, as the *Los Angeles Times* notes, “Kalish claims there are ‘changing attitudes towards Communists’ in America today among the young.” Professor Kalish is one who has helped change those attitudes. He is himself a Communist far to the Left of the Party. He says so himself. On June 24, 1967, he used precisely these words to boast to Phil Green of radio station KLAC in Los Angeles:

*I am far to the left of the Communist Party. Lots of people belong to Progressive Labor, Trotskyites, Dorothy Healy Communists, and some of us, as I say, are much*

*more extreme than them, and I'm one of them, in our political views.*

Whether or not it is possible to be more Communist than the Communist Party is moot. But, the idea makes good bait for naive young revolutionaries who haven't the slightest idea of the depth and sophistication of the International Communist Conspiracy. The concept that there are many groups to the Left of the Party helps build the myth so popular among teenage Trotskys and schoolboy Lenins that the Communist Party is really a very "conservative" organization.

Kalish may be doing this deliberately. Los Angeles Attorney Donald Gallagher, who filed a taxpayer's suit to have Miss Davis barred from teaching at U.C.L.A., is quoted by the *Los Angeles Examiner* of October 23, 1969, as revealing that he has been informed, and believes, that Dr. Donald Kalish is himself "an active member of the Communist Party."

Professor Kalish naturally denies that it was anything but the merest coincidence that Miss Davis came to U.C.L.A. He maintains that he was looking for a black philosophy teacher and heard about Angela from Princeton, which was considering hiring her. Kalish says he beat the Tigers to the punch and brought the Red tabby to Bruinville in a masterful coup.\* The "Liberal" *Los Angeles Times*, however, says the whole business "smells unmistakably like a carefully contrived plot aimed at provoking new tensions between the university and the public."

The first person Donald Kalish called to get a recommendation for Angela Davis was Herbert Marcuse. She subsequently received a two-year appointment as assistant professor of philosophy at \$9,684 per year. The vote of the philosophy faculty on hiring Angela was eight in

favor and five opposed, with three abstentions. The "Liberal" media have tried to make it appear that her academic credentials are impeccable; but, if this is true, why did eight members of the philosophy department refuse to support her? Dr. George M. Kramer gives us a clue in the Catholic newspaper, *The Tidings*:

*Why has the Board of Regents not inquired why the philosophy department at UCLA has not adhered [in the Davis case] to the usual scholastic standards for the appointment of teachers . . .*

*Only rarely has anyone been named assistant professor of any department without having had at least three years of teaching on the college level, a PhD or an equivalent degree, and at least one original published work . . .*

*Passing entrance examinations is only a preliminary towards establishing a PhD candidacy, which usually presumes a minimum of at least two more full years of graduate study. Such candidates may teach as a lecturer or instructor, but ranked as a professor, even an assistant professor — well, not in any reputable university we've known.*

Professor Donald Kalish, the self-professed "super commie," has claimed to the *Los Angeles Times* that "he didn't know Miss Davis was a Communist when he hired her but that it would have made no difference." As he told the *Times*:

*It [her Communist Party membership] would have been brought into discussion [before the philosophy department when considering her employment], and it would have been considered a positive point that she was involved and an irrelevant point in that she was a Communist.*

\*Actually, Princeton decided that Miss Davis was not far enough along with her doctoral work to be hired.

Frankly, law enforcement and intelligence people familiar with his background, and that of Marcuse, think that Kalish is lying. They believe it much more likely that he was acting at the suggestion of Communist strategists who were eager to make a test case of restrictions against members of the Communist Party teaching in public schools.

After all, Angela had made no secret of her membership in either the Party or the equally subversive Black Panthers. She had also recently returned from an illegal trip to Cuba and was running about the countryside openly lecturing for the Communists on the glories of Castro's island paradise. Miss Davis had even played a leading role in a Black-Chicano coalition to force the U.C.S.D. to create a separate college for minority students — to be known as the Lumumba-Zapata College. The names refer to Patrice Lumumba, the assassinated Communist leader of the Congo, and Emiliano Zapata, the Communist hero of the Mexican revolution. She has also participated in the seizure of the school's administration building in support of a series of demands, which she had authored, calling for a wildly radical Third World College.

The matter of the membership of Miss Davis in the Communist Party first attracted public attention on July 1, 1969, when William Divale, a U.C.L.A. student and surfaced F.B.I. informant, wrote a letter to the U.C.L.A. newspaper, *The Daily Bruin*, defending his work for the F.B.I. Mr. Divale noted:

*The Philosophy Department has recently made a two-year appointment of an acting assistant professor. The person is well qualified for the post and is also a member of the Communist Party.*

On July ninth, Ed Montgomery revealed in the *San Francisco Examiner* that it was Miss Davis to whom Divale had referred.

It may be that William Divale rushed the Communists' schedule and made a public issue of the Party membership of Miss Davis before the Comrades were ready; or, as some suspect, Divale may have been used as the source of a "planned leak." Curiously, William Divale has since refused to testify for the government; attacked the F.B.I., the Justice Department, and the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee; and, been warmly publicized by the radical Communist *Guardian* and the Communist *Daily World*.

Subsequent to the Divale "revelations," the twenty-four-man Board of Regents, charged with overseeing the vast nine-campus University of California system, directed U.C.L.A. Chancellor Charles Young to politely ask Miss Davis if she is indeed a member of the Communist Party. Angela replied to the Chancellor's inquiry as follows:

*... I am now a member of the Communist Party. But I think this membership requires no justification here. I want you to know that as a black woman I feel an urgent need to find radical solutions to the problems of racial and national minorities in the white capitalist United States. I feel that my membership in the Communist Party has widened my horizons and expanded my opportunities for pursuing such solutions and working for their effectuation.*

Comrade Angela later told the Communist *People's World*:

*... I made my [Communist Party] affiliation public not only to raise the issue of academic freedom, but to protect the relevance of the Marxist and Communist ideas.*

One might reasonably expect that the faculty of the University would react

with shock and anger that a Communist had been hired to push Marxist philosophy as a professor at U.C.L.A. To put it mildly, however, the faculty did not exactly come unglued. The *Los Angeles Times* reports:

*In interviews last week, two high-ranking administrators [at U.C.L.A.] were asked what would have happened if they had known about Miss Davis' Communist Party affiliation. Would they have tried to sidetrack the appointment? Both gave vague answers. One replied, "There'd be no problem [getting her accepted] and yet I'd be a lot more concerned if she were a Maoist," he said. "Hell, she's pretty conservative."*

*A law professor who is helping prepare legal arguments for Miss Davis if her case should go to court remarked, "The surprising thing to many of us is that such a radical could be a member of a square organization like the Communist Party." \*\*\**

*... [Professor Donald Kalish] pointed out an irony. If Miss Davis was not a member of the U.S. Communist Party but instead a Maoist — a member of such a pro-Chinese group as the Progressive Laborites — then he thought her appointment would not be nearly so controversial.*

The strategy was now clear. Despite the proliferating and splintering of Communist groups in the New Left and Black Nationalist movement, no new organization has been added to the Attorney General's list of officially cited subversive groups since John F. Kennedy came to office in 1961. Therefore, in order to provoke a test-case in court, Panther-Maoist Angela Davis had to join the old-line Communist Party.

In the wake of public outcry, the

University Regents were quite prepared to meet the test. They gathered September 19, 1969, and voted to dismiss Miss Davis, basing their decision on a University policy, established in 1940 and reaffirmed in 1949, that membership in the Communist Party "is incompatible with membership in the faculty."

With the announcement that Angela was to be fired, the Communists let loose a horrific barrage of propaganda. The Communist *Daily World* denounced the affair as a "witch hunt"; rather peculiar, since the witch readily admitted to being a witch. Leftist supporters of Miss Davis on campus immediately turned the case into a *cause célèbre*, and attempted to portray her as a victim of persecution and racial discrimination. To its credit, the "Liberal" *Los Angeles Times* commented that the whole affair "smacks of being a set-up from beginning to end, engineered by Communists and their sympathizers, and involving a predictable effort to polarize opinion and incite disruption by confusing the real issues with phony charges."

Robert Singleton, director of U.C.L.A.'s Afro-American Studies Program, declared that "racism is the overriding issue in this case" and that the dismissal of Miss Davis was prompted by "her affiliation with militant black organizations [*the Communist Black Panthers and S.N.C.C.*]." Singleton added: "It can be documented that there are white Communists teaching at the university who are not being harassed as she is being harassed now." What is more, the *Los Angeles Times* revealed that "Miss Davis supported Singleton's statement about other Communists teaching at the University and said there was a tacit 'right to

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\*Singleton would defend black militants. He was appointed to his position last spring after two contending Panther leaders were murdered by rival Maoist militants of the US organization during a caucus on the U.C.L.A. campus to decide who would become chairman of the black studies program.

remain obscure recognized by university authorities." \*

Lamar Lyons, Vice Chairman of the Black Students Union at U.C.L.A., told a press conference held in protest of the firing of Comrade Angela: "Many black leaders, to whom black people look as symbols, have been connected directly or indirectly with the Communist Party." Henry McGee Jr., a Negro and acting professor of law at U.C.L.A., said Communist Party membership is "a white obsession — it's not relevant to black people." State Assemblyman Mervyn Dymally, attempting to expand the debate from the campus into the Negro community, claimed: "In the black community we have never been as hysterical about Communism as you, it is strictly a white man's issue."

The strategy is apparent: Create the impression that there is nothing wrong with being a Communist and that the dismissal of self-confessed Communist agent Angela Davis was the work of latter-day Simon Legrees seeking to restore blacks to their rightful owners under previous conditions of servitude.

The idea that Angela was fired because of her race is unsalted balderdash. She did not even apply for the position, and

\*This is a serious admission. Intelligence authorities have known for many years that such was the case. The Reports of the California Senate Committee on Un-American Activities have given considerable information supporting this fact. As a reporter for the Coply newspaper chain recently wrote of the U.C.'s Berkeley campus: "Today's Communists or pro-Communists control some of the positions of authority within the faculty and administrative offices. They dominate at least 10 important departments of the university." The number of Marxists on the faculty runs into the hundreds. Dr. Hardin Jones, Professor of Medical Physics at Berkeley's Donner Laboratory, maintains: "For three years there has been no voice within the university speaking out for America and for the ways that people participate in her diverse vital institutions and functions. Teaching the essentials of western civilization on campus has practically been replaced by various Marxist notions."

Kalish claims he sought her out *because* she was black. There are a number of Negroes teaching on the campuses of the University of California, and none has been fired. Nonetheless, U.C.L.A. students and faculty formed a solid phalanx behind Angela Davis. The Communist *People's World* reported:

*The Student Legislative Council (the student government at UCLA) passed a unanimous resolution condemning the Regents' resolutions and demanding that they be rescinded. They also condemned the Regents' actions as being a direct attack against the black liberation movement.*

The Editor of the U.C.L.A. *Daily Bruin* threatened: "She'd better teach or something's going to happen." Other U.C.L.A. students warned of a holocaust if the Regents did not back down. Leftist faculty and students formed the Ad Hoc Group for Defense of Academic Freedom, to take the Angela Davis case to court. The *Santa Monica Evening Outlook* for October 2, 1969, reported:

*On a dramatic dual action, the University of California at Los Angeles faculty has overwhelmingly rescinded its own ban on employment of Communists and condemned the Board of Regents for firing an acknowledged Communist.*

*At a session of UCLA's academic senate [an advisory body with no legal powers] Wednesday, the faculty voted 551 to 4 to void its 1950 endorsement of the ban. Then the group voted 539 to 12 to censure the Regents for their recent dismissal of Angela Davis.*

The vote on rescinding the faculty's opposition to the employment of Reds was even so designed as to pin-point anti-Communist opposition in the faculty. The *Los*

*Angeles Times* explained: "The conditions of the vote count were strange. After a voice vote those voting no were asked to stand. Four professors did so, one quite angrily." The four brave professors will not enjoy their persecution for deviating from the monolithic Left. Broadminded "Liberals" are not quite so broadminded about anti-Communists as they are about members of the Communist Party.

Miss Davis also had the full support of U.C.L.A. Chancellor Charles Young, who proclaimed his ignorance of Communist purposes by declaring: "The very concept of a university demands a freedom of inquiry which is incompatible with application of political tests." Then, incredibly, Chancellor Young echoed the claims of the black radicals, maintaining that the Regents' action had "racial implications."

While Miss Davis conferred with attorney John McTernan, identified under oath as a member of the Communist Party, Comrade Kalish was taking measures to try to force a confrontation on the campus. Angela was not scheduled to begin teaching until early 1970, but Professor Donald Kalish did some quick rearranging to permit her to begin in the fall of 1969. Kalish assigned Miss Davis to teach "Philosophy 99: Recurring Philosophical Themes in Black Literature," beginning on October sixth. The course was to have been taught by a visiting professor who decided to leave it to Angela when, as if by magic, he became the sudden recipient of a fat grant from the Ford Foundation.

Chancellor Young, instead of waiting for the issue to be decided in the courts, defied the Regents and approved her to teach the course Kalish had arranged. "Miss Davis," Young declared, "will wind up with a teaching position on this faculty for as long as she wants one." The Board of Regents realized it had been mousetrapped. John Canaday, a member of that Board, told the *Los*

*Angeles Times* that placing Angela in the classroom for the fall quarter was "a complete violation of the Regents' action. The only reason we didn't take specific action barring her from the classroom was because we were given assurances she wouldn't teach."

The Board of Regents now called an emergency meeting for October third to deal with Kalish and Young, then outdid Bert Lahr as the Cowardly Lion and decided that Communist Angela Davis absolutely, positively, and irrevocably could not teach the course — for credit. Some wizard topside at the *Los Angeles Times* pushed a button and the *Times* clanked out its approval:

*Technically, the Regents could have ordered police power used if necessary to prevent Miss Davis from conducting her class. Instead it was agreed that Miss Davis would be allowed to lecture, but that credit would not be given students enrolled in her class.*

*The decision was a compromise between the unequivocal insistence that the Regents' earlier order be obeyed both in spirit and letter and the choice of backing down completely. Like all compromises it failed to satisfy the absolutists on either side. But it did provide a reasonable middle course, and in the context of things that is what counts.*

State Senator John C. Schmitz, himself a college professor, didn't see it that way. He observed:

*Can anyone possibly be satisfied by the absurd decision of the University Regents that Angela Davis may not teach philosophy courses for credit, but may be kept on the faculty payroll and allowed to lecture regularly to thousands of students? So long as her salary con-*

*tinues to be paid by the taxpayers of California, games about "course credit" are a sick joke.*

*Angela Davis should have been prevented from teaching and any students who rioted in protest should have been permanently expelled from school. Any faculty member who participated in violence, conducted a sympathy strike, or refused to give grades in protest should have been fired. You would think that by now the Regents would have learned that you cannot compromise with campus revolutionaries. They interpret appeasement as weakness — which it is. They know that the Regents will do almost anything to avoid a confrontation.*

Miss Davis described her first day's class in the *Communist People's World*:

*My first lecture was on Monday (October 6) on Black Literature. Only about 160 students had originally signed up for the course, but over 2,000 students attended the lecture, despite the Regents' edict to deny credit. We had to move to the second largest auditorium on the campus to accommodate everyone. There was a tremendous response, and a standing ovation when I finished. After the lecture about 1,200 students stayed [many no doubt missing their next class] to plan further protest action. This ended with the students passing a resolution calling for a general faculty strike on all nine campuses until credit for the course is granted.*

Angela's lecture, incidentally, dealt with Karl Marx, Herbert Marcuse, and Nat Turner.

The rest of the week of October sixth was devoted to student-faculty protests

over the Regents' withholding of academic credit for the course taught by Miss Davis. The radical Student Coalition held a rally to urge all U.C.L.A. professors to withhold grades until such credit was restored. Robert Singleton, director of the Afro-American Studies Program, announced that twenty black members of the faculty had decided not to issue grades unless the "no credit" order was rescinded.

For her part, Miss Davis addressed student-faculty rallies proclaiming that she would use her class to preach Communism. The *Los Angeles Herald-Examiner* of October ninth reported:

*Students planning to take philosophy courses at U.C.L.A. taught by Angela Davis, 25 year old professed Communist, can expect to receive a heavy dosage of Marxism because she believes "some form of Communism is needed to help solve our human problems . . ."*

*She spoke yesterday to an estimated 750 students at Pauley Pavilion on the UCLA campus . . .*

*"Political opinion should be brought into the classroom," she said, "because education is basically a political process."*

*"I can't and won't keep my political ideas out of the classroom," she said.*

*Miss Davis received extended applause from the audience . . .*

Neither did Angela make any secret of her advocacy of violent revolution to overthrow the government. She proclaimed that hers is an "essentially Marxian position on the question of violence." She declared in her classes that "the first condition of freedom is that of open, active resistance — physical resistance, violent resistance." The *Santa Monica Evening Outlook* reports that she told a meeting sponsored by the American Civil Liberties Union that "she defi-

nately believes in the violent overthrow of America's government."

Meanwhile Angela's Communist attorney, John McTernan, had filed suit in the Superior Court before Judge Robert Kenny, challenging the Regents for firing Miss Davis because of her membership in the Communist Party. Kenny, *of course!* Horrified, the attorneys for the Regents filed a Declaration of Prejudice against Judge Kenny. If there was ever an obvious conflict of interest in a legal case it is one argued before Robert W. Kenny in which the Communists are involved. As the California Senate's 1948 Report on Un-American Activities in California noted on Page 92:

*We are concerned in this analysis with the bona fide, iron disciplined Communist revolutionary. Outstanding examples will be found in the [John Howard] Lawsons, the [Albert] Maltzes, the [Herbert K.] Sorrells, the [Robert] Kennys. ... They cannot plead ignorance, either of philosophy, economics, or government, because they all demand recognition in these fields.*

Page 478 of the 1949 Senate Report discloses that Kenny, who was Attorney General of California under Earl Warren, was one of a group of "notorious Stalinists who have consistently followed the twists and turns of the Stalinist line." The State Senate's 1963 Report describes Kenny as one of "the big guns who have gone from one [Communist] front to another," and adds that Robert Kenny is one of the habitual supporters of Communist causes who "work in several fronts simultaneously."

The listing of officially cited Communist Fronts and activities in which Mr. Kenny has participated runs on almost endlessly. A few hard-core examples include: Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade; the Los Angeles Committee for Defense of the Bill of Rights; Los Angeles

Committee for Defense of the Foreign Born; Southern Californians to Abolish HUAC; the International Association of Democratic Lawyers; the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee; and, the International Juridical Association.

Robert Kenny was also an activist in the notorious "Fair Play For Cuba Committee," whose most famous alumnus was Communist assassin Lee Harvey Oswald. In April, 1966, Kenny's name appeared as a Committee Sponsor on the program of a Testimonial Dinner in honor of top Communist Party theoretician Herbert



Judge Kenny cited as "notorious Stalinist."

Aptheker, father of avowed Communist Bettina Aptheker, leader of the Filthy Speech Movement at Berkeley in 1964. Kenny was also Honorary Chairman of the Lawyers Committee on American Policy Toward VietNam, an outfit promoting victory for the Vietcong. But, probably the most valuable service to the Communist Conspiracy performed by this "notorious Stalinist" was his performance as President of the National Lawyers Guild, cited in the federal government's *Guide To Subversive Organizations And*

*Publications as "... the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party . . . ."*

In May 1967, "notorious Stalinist" Robert Kenny struck down the loyalty oath required of public employees in California after the American Civil Liberties Union filed a suit challenging its constitutionality. According to the authoritative Fire and Police Research Association of Los Angeles:

*It must be pointed out that the ACLU has been in the forefront all across the nation battling the various state loyalty oaths. According to documentation, it appears that at the time Judge Kenny rendered the decision on the loyalty oath he was serving as a Sponsoring Member of the ACLU, the same organization that had filed the suit. FiPo, at the time, raised the question as to whether Judge Kenny's deliberations could be fair and unbiased . . . .*

When the attorney for the Regents filed his Declaration of Prejudice against Judge Kenny, Robert Kenny handed the case to Judge Jerry Pacht, a fellow member of the A.C.L.U. who as a lawyer had in 1962 defended a self-avowed Communist named Sam Wellbaum in a similar test-case. Since the plaintiff is allowed only one challenge for prejudice, the Regents were stuck with the equally malodorous Pacht. In this operation it was Tinkers to Evers, with nothing left to Chance.

The American Civil Liberties Union, of which both Kenny and Pacht are members, was formed by radicals and Communists. It has led the fight in the courts to destroy America's vital internal security laws and remove all restraints on Communists and their agents. The *Special Report Of The House Committee To Investigate Communist Propaganda* concluded after a careful investigation of the A.C.L.U.:

*The American Civil Liberties Union is closely affiliated with the*

*Communist movement in the United States, and fully ninety percent of its efforts are on behalf of Communists who have come into conflict with the law. It claims to stand for free speech, free press, and free assembly; but it is quite apparent that the main function of the A.C.L.U. is to attempt to protect the Communists in their advocacy of force and violence to overthrow the government . . . .*

The American Civil Liberties Union has been among the most vigorous supporters of Comrade Angela, even sponsoring speaking engagements for her. To have a member of the A.C.L.U. like Robert Kenny or Jerry Pacht sit in judgment of Angela Davis is like asking W.C. Fields to rule on a case involving the outlawing of gin.

You will not be surprised to learn that the Leftist activities of Jerry Pacht also span many years. Like Angela, he was a radical prodigy. His father, Judge Isaac Pacht, was active in Communist Front activities cited in the 1947, 1948, and 1949 Senate Un-American Activities Reports. The senior Pacht was also a member of both the A.C.L.U. and the officialy cited National Lawyers Guild.

Isaac Pacht trained young Jerry well. The latter testified before the California Fact-Finding Committee on Un-American Activities on January 2, 1946. He had been a featured speaker at the convention of American Youth for Democracy, which had recently changed its name from *Young Communist League*. When questioned as to whether he would have been concerned had he known the group was the Young Communist League, Jerry Pacht replied: "No, I don't inquire into the political views of anyone." The Committee Chairman then asked, "Would it have made any difference if it was the German-American Bund?" Pacht replied: "It certainly would."

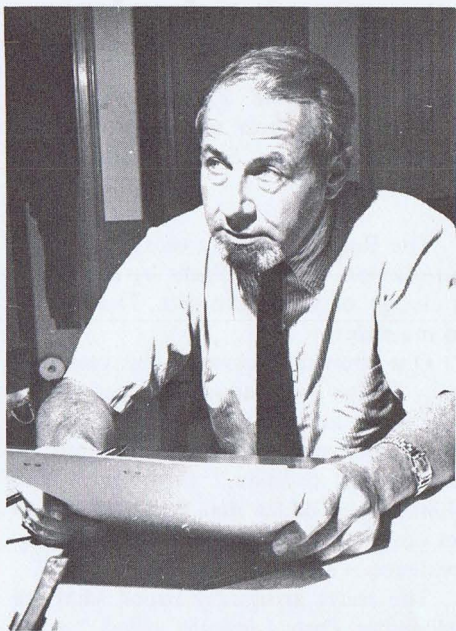
In 1952, the House Committee on

Un-American Activities was going to investigate twenty-one Los Angeles attorneys regarding their affiliation with the Communist Party. According to the Communist *People's World* of September 12, 1952, Pacht came to the aid of the Party in denouncing the investigations.

Jerry Pacht has also been a leader of the infamous California Democratic Club (C.D.C.), which has proven such an enormous embarrassment to patriotic Democrats because of its slavish adherence to the line of the Communist Party. The C.D.C. was formed in 1953 by Alan Cranston, after the Independent Progressive Party (I.P.P.) was exposed by the government as a Communist instrument. Shortly before its creation, California Communists were instructed to leave I.P.P. for the incipient C.D.C., and help in its organization. The directive was issued by Louise Todd, at that time Secretary of the Political Commission of the Communist Party of California. In 1960, Pacht ran as the C.D.C.-backed candidate in an unsuccessful bid for Congress, campaigning for repeal of all loyalty oaths, abolition of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, and admission of Red China to the United Nations.

The Communist *People's World* for January 27, 1962, identifies Jerry Pacht as a member of the Committee for a SANE Nuclear Policy. According to its own literature, SANE advocates complete unilateral disarmament of the United States regardless of the military strength and intentions of Communist Russia and China. According to SANE's literature, such complete disarmament includes disarming our local police, a platform no doubt supported wholeheartedly by The Fraternal Order of Muggers, Murderers, and Rapists.

So committed is Judge Pacht that in 1965 he officiated in his own home at the marriage of Marxist agitator Mario Savio, the young revolutionary who along with avowed Communist Bettina Aptheker led the Berkeley Filthy Speech Movement.



**Petition campaign would recall Judge Pacht.**

In 1965 Jerry Pacht was an organizational Sponsor of Californians for Liberal Representation, part of the New Left's radical "New Politics" movement. The C.L.R. made no attempt to exempt Communists from membership, perhaps because its Chairman for Northern California was identified Communist Don Rothenburg.

The National Lawyers Guild, you will recall, has been officially characterized in the federal government's *Guide To Subversive Organizations And Publications* as "the legal bulwark of the Communist Party." During the National Lawyers Guild Convention at Santa Monica in July 1968, Judge Jerry Pacht chaired a panel discussion.

On October 23, 1969, the *Sacramento Union* reported:

*While taking the oath of office, he [Pacht] swore to uphold the Constitution of California and the United States. He also swore that he did not belong to any organization dedicated to the overthrow of*

*the government by force, but he termed this second oath as an "insult" and said he hoped to live to see it eliminated. Eighteen months later it was held unconstitutional [by "notorious Stalinist" Robert Kenny].*

The Regents tried to escape from the jurisdiction of Judge Pacht by asking for a change of venue. No dice. That wasn't in the script.

One individual close to the case told me: "Judge Pacht apparently had only a few hours notice of the case, yet he had reams of research which he read in making his decision." Odd, don't you think? Even odder that Pacht refused to let counsel for the Regents introduce any evidence at all.

The Judge arrogantly issued what the *Alhambra Post Advocate* called "an almost instant decision," forbidding the Board of Regents from barring Angela Davis from teaching at U.C.L.A. because of her membership in the Communist Party. Pacht went so far as to issue a follow-up summary judgment ordering the Regents to make no further attempts to dismiss Miss Davis, or spend the money of the taxpayers on attempts to appeal the decision. That last little horror, at least, was a ruling he subsequently had to retract.

Judge Pacht based his "instant" decree on one of the Supreme Court's famous five to four decisions (*Keyishian vs. Board of Regents of the State of New York*), which held "... statutes making Communist Party membership *prima facie* evidence of disqualification unconstitutionally abridged freedom of association by not permitting rebuttal by proof of nonactive membership or absence of intent to further unlawful aims."

The New York action had been brought by several teachers who refused to sign a loyalty oath which affirmed that they did not belong, nor had they ever belonged, to a subversive organization.

The High Court rendered a decision designed to protect teachers who had joined the Party many years ago before its purposes were so widely exposed. This case is in no way similar to that of Angela Davis. There is, after all, no question of her giving "rebuttal by proof of nonactive membership or absence of intent to further unlawful aims." She has *admitted* advocating the overthrow of our government by force and violence, thereby establishing "intent"; and, as a member of the Maoist Black Panther Party, she is associated with an organization which has actually taken steps toward carrying out its advocacy of revolution by assembling arsenals and ambushing policemen.

The supporters of Miss Davis have sought to plant the idea that as a Communist she is somehow no more than a member of a legitimate political Party. Nothing could be further from the truth. On July 5, 1961, the Supreme Court upheld a ruling of the Subversive Activities Control Board that Communism in America is *not* a legitimate political movement, but a foreign criminal conspiracy to overthrow the U.S. Government; that, therefore, restricting advocacy of Communism in the United States is not restricting legitimate advocacy of political ideas. This ruling has never been reversed. Judge Pacht simply ignored it.

The hiring of an avowed Communist at the expense of the taxpayers has also been defended under the guise of "academic freedom." Though, of course, no disciplined member of the Communist Party can practice academic freedom. F.B.I. Director J. Edgar Hoover testified as recently as 1967 that the Communist Party, U.S.A., is "an obedient slave to its Soviet masters." There is no room for freedom of expression for any member of the Party. The recent dismissal by the Party of Communist officials who could not swallow the Soviet rape of Czechoslovakia shows how much intellectual freedom Communists are permitted by the conspiracy that rules their lives. As

Henry Winston, National Chairman of the Communist Party, told the Nineteenth National Convention of the C.P.U.S.A.:

*... democratic centralism [Party dictatorship] is indivisible. It must apply to all policies, all decisions without exception. Some comrades who disagree with the Party's position on the events in Czechoslovakia have asked why we cannot demand unity on domestic questions but allow disagreement on international questions. These comrades fail to see the oneness of Party policy. They fail to see that it stems from one body of theory, one set of principles. . . . Comrades, factionalism is a most destructive force. It is incompatible with membership in our Party.*

What Communism expects of its teachers was revealed dramatically by the late Professor Bella V. Dodd, a defected member of the National Committee of the Communist Party. In testimony before committees of both the Senate and House, and through information given to the F.B.I. in the Fifties after she left the Party, Dr. Dodd emphasized again and again:

*... There is no such thing as freedom for a Communist college teacher. . . . The Communist teacher has a very definite function to perform. He must not only make himself an agent of the class struggle; he must indoctrinate other teachers in the class struggle, and he must see that their students are indoctrinated in the class struggle. . . . the student is considered to be in rebellion against the bourgeois state. It is the function of the teacher to fan that rebellion and to make the student recognize that only by establishing a Soviet system of government will you be able to be free. . . . There is no*

*doubt about it. This was the function of a Communist teacher: To create people who would be ready to accept the Communist regime.*

As a former member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, a longtime college professor, and former head of a Communist-led teachers union, Dr. Dodd knew what she was talking about. Certainly when Comrade Angela Davis was asked if she advocated academic freedom for her political enemies, she declared with a straight face: "Oh, no. Academic freedom really does not apply to anyone who is undermining the very foundations of freedom." Anyone who honestly believes in "academic freedom" could not in good conscience support the employment as a teacher of Angela Davis or any other Communist.

Yet, so powerful is the Left on our campuses that only four U.C.L.A. professors dared stand openly to oppose her.

This is *very* serious business. Those who believe that Communism is "mellowing" should Czech their premises. Anyone who will read the speeches from the International Meeting of Communist and Workers' Parties in Moscow during June of 1969 will find that nearly every page calls for the destruction of the United States, the last barrier to Communist conquest of the world. One way to help bring that destruction about is to place Communist agents as teachers in our colleges and universities.

Professor Ernesto Blanco, who witnessed the Communist takeover of his native Cuba, escaped Castro and came to the United States where he became an Assistant Professor at M.I.T. and an Associate Professor at Tufts. He testified recently before the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee as follows:

*My evaluation of the ideological tendencies of faculties in American universities is that they are very influenced and conditioned by*

*socialistic, Marxist, and Fabian ideas to the extent that today in most American universities, it is almost anathema to criticize in any form, way, or manner the ideas or activities of Communists . . .*

What Professor Blanco is now observing on our campuses is an old story to him. Part of the strategy of the Angela Davis confrontation is to try to take control of the colleges away from the Regents — representatives of the voters and taxpayers — to give it to the faculties and students. The only privilege the taxpayer is to have is that of paying the bills. Ernesto Blanco explained the strategy from his own experience in Cuba:

*The Cuban student revolutionaries demanded absolute control of policy; by that they meant control of hiring, firing, curriculum establishment, and decisions on any activities within the university. The Marxist faculty backed them completely, and the mass media immediately jumped in and sided with the student activists and the faculty activists in order to turn the tide of public opinion against the existing administration. The administration finally yielded and purge tribunals were established.*

What is now happening, in short, is standard Communist practice.

Until now, of course, Communists teaching in our schools have had to keep their Party membership a secret, indicating to our young people that there is something seriously wrong with being a Communist. There have been numerous loyalty oath cases, but few professors have been willing openly to flaunt their membership in the Communist Party. Angela Davis and the Comrades think they have changed all that. For, if the incredible Angela Davis decision is allowed to stand, it will trigger the hiring of many

other avowed Communists to be financed by American taxpayers while pushing Communism in our schools and colleges. The Communist Party will thus have obtained a vast student audience and the "legitimacy" it has sought for decades.

Doubtless the case of Angela Davis will not be decided until it reaches the U.S. Supreme Court, where Earl Warren and Abe Fortas, two of the five Justices who supported the decision cited by Pacht, are no longer on the bench. In the meantime, concerned citizens in Los Angeles County can strike a blow against future pro-Communist decisions in their courts by signing petitions to *recall* Judges Jerry Pacht and Robert Kenny. The petition campaign, launched by Assemblyman Floyd Wakefield, requires 200,000 signatures by March 1970.

Both Kenny and Pacht were midnight "lame duck" appointments by former Governor Pat Brown as he was packing his bags to leave office. The Press failed to reveal their background, and their appointments were approved virtually without opposition. It's that easy for pro-Communists to become judges, where their decisions can overrule the elected executive and legislative branches of our government. One pro-Communist judge can do more harm to America than fifty pro-Communist legislators. That is why our judiciary has long been a priority target of the Communists.

It is absolutely imperative that the Communist conspirators protect their cadre and ensure its freedom of action in our colleges and throughout American life. Otherwise, their revolutionary movement would be destroyed. Our Leftist judiciary has moved to ensure that freedom of action. But now Californians have a chance to help reverse Communist victories by recalling Judges Kenny and Pacht, serving notice on the U.S. Supreme Court that Americans will not tolerate Communist teachers in their schools. It is time to take the offensive. We *will* take it. And, having done so, we *will* win. ■ ■

## WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Actually, you can do a great deal. You can circulate copies of this article, "The Red Teachers," and help create understanding of the basic problem. In addition, you can join with thousands of others in Los Angeles County in obtaining signatures on petitions to recall Judge Jerry Pacht and Judge Robert Kenny. To obtain further information and petitions, call the Pacht-Kenny Recall Headquarters nearest you. This petition campaign must be completed during the month of February. It is imperative that we do not postpone or delay our efforts. **ACT NOW.**

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