

# PL's Red LINE

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## THOSE WHO TAKE MEAT FROM THE TABLE

Teach contentment.  
Those for whom the taxes are destined  
Demand sacrifice..  
Those who eat their fill speak to the hungry  
Of wonderful times to come..  
Those who lead the country into the abyss  
Call ruling too difficult  
For ordinary men. B.B.

## ADMINISTRATION ATTACKS WORKERS

Nitsche, Math department head, fires militant clerical worker.

On Dec. 9, Alice Kinglesly, a member of AFSCME II64 and Progressive Labor Party, was fired for "insubordination". Alice refused to meet with Nitsche without a union steward present which is her legal right. Alice was also guilty of the "crime" of using her work number on an union leaflet. The fascist Nitsche and his boss, uncle tom "turkey" Thomas, University personnel director, are scared silly of the clerical organizing drive.

The administration hates Alice because she is a Communist. Communists have always been in the forefront of union struggles for shorter hours, better working conditions, and higher pay. Progressive Labor Party stewards like Alice have built the unity of workers by reversing firings, and by fighting racism and sexism on the job. It is clear that Alice is not being fired for some trivial rule-breaking but for standing up against administration injustices. It is in the interests of all university workers and students to demand that Alice be rehired. We urge students to unite in defense of this campus worker because most students will become workers when they leave school. Call 722-6788.

## ADMINISTRATION CUTS CHICANO STUDIES

V.P. Koffler confronted by anti-racists

On dec. 9th 25 members of the Committee Against Racism (C.A.R.), the UMFT, Progressive Labor Party (P.L.P.), and Chicano studies students forced V.P. Koffler out of a staff meeting to discuss the cut backs in Chicano studies where 3 positions have been cut. Koffler, who has dodged away from earlier meetings passed the buck by saying "he knew nothing about it". As financial V.P. of C.L.A. this rat should know.

The Universitys attack on Chiano studies is the first step in getting rid of tenure and axing other faculty, departments and programs. Departments

will be cut one at a time with the weakest coming first.

Chicano studies was chosen because it is a young and weak department and because racism could be used to divide Black, white, Chicano, Native American and Asian people from seeing it as their fight. Like most minority studies departments nobody has tenure. This makes it easy to control or destroy the department.

The sell-out, neo-racist head of Chicano studies has already said that that he does not mind if the department is destroyed. This man has a safe job in St. Paul law firm.

We need Chicano Studies because it tells us about other working class and oppressed people's and how other cultures fought back, something regular history courses do not teach.

In spite of his sick smile, Koffler is a hatchet man brought in from Purdue to carry out the administrations "margin of excellence" plan.

Already in his 3 months here, he has eliminated the department of Zoology. Koffler is recommending that all faculty obtain 50% of their pay from grants, which would reduce teaching and make teachers scramble for jobs.

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#### Racist Medical Research

Since 1954, the University of Minnesota medical school has been studying the diseases of impetigo and nephritis at Red Lake Reservation. This research was done by Drs. Ferrieri and Wannamaker. The research costing tens of thousands of dollars is financed by a Defense Dept. Grant. The studies were not designed to prevent and/or cure the diseases at Red Lake but rather to gather information using the Reservation, which already has a high incidence of these endemic diseases, as a model for conditions on military installations in areas like Viet Nam and the Middle East. In some instances groups of men, women and children were not treated with drugs that were available to eliminate the infections, but rather were allowed to progress so that the researchers could follow the entire course of the diseases. The fact is, the individual symptoms and effects, which include deafness and kidney damage, of these diseases have been known for a long time. In some instances Indian people were unwittingly tricked into signing consent forms for these experiments with promises of immediate or future medical treatment and without full knowledge of the dangers involved.

All this is done against a background of extremely poor medical care available at the Reservation. These experiments are as racist and anti-working class as those done with birth control methods in Puerto Rico, the syphilis experiments at Tuskegee, and the hepatitis experiments at Willowbrook New York State Hospital. Socialist medical care will eliminate this kind of racist research

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