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@Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore Response to this thread:

Petty-bourgeois radicals like @Fiorella_im, @Ihavenousefora1 are awed by Trump. They think this fascist representative of finance capital is an "oppositional" figure, they transform the mob wearing "camp auschwitz" shirts into oppressed victims.

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore .@Fiorella_im was awed by Bernie Sanders, campaigned for him, now is mightily impressed by the petty-bourgeois rabble in the Capitol. On behalf of which class did this fascist mob mobilize? Anti-socialist, anti-Lockdown, anti-any measure to protect workers from #covid.

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore In this discussion, the anti-WSWS ppl have explicitly called for orienting to the fascists. @Ihavenousefora1 and @LincolnS1866 have both said socialists must win over the fascists in the mob in Washington. Betrays hostility to mobilizing working class as ind'y social force.

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore They argue Trump is to be defended, that he has "free speech" right to launch a coup. It is the equivalent of saying "Hands off Hitler." And they claim to be offended when told they are aiding Trump.

As always, there's never any historic content...

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore They should study history. Are they aware of the experience of the Red Referendum of 1931?

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore Trotsky's article "Bourgeoisie, Petty Bourgeoisie and Proletariat":

"In the epoch of the rise, the growth and the bloom of capitalism the petty bourgeoisie, despite acute outbreaks of discontent, generally marched obediently in the capitalist harness...

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore "Nor could it do anything else. But under the conditions of capitalist disintegration and of the impasse in the economic situation, the petty bourgeoisie tends, seeks, attempts to tear itself loose from the fetters of the old masters and rulers of society."

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore "It is quite capable of linking up its fate with that of the proletariat. For that, only one thing is needed: the petty bourgeoisie must acquire faith in the ability of the proletariat to lead society onto a new road. The proletariat can inspire this faith only by its..."

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore "...strength, by the firmness of its actions, by a skillful offensive against the enemy, by the success of its revolutionary policy.

But, woe if the revolutionary party does not measure up to the height of the situation! The daily struggle of the proletariat sharpens the..."

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore "...instability of bourgeois society. The strikes and the political disturbances aggravate the economic situation of the country. The petty bourgeoisie could reconcile itself temporarily to the growing privations, if it arrived by experience to the conviction that..."

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore "...the proletariat is in a position to lead it onto a new road.But if the revolutionary party,in spite of a class struggle becoming incessantly more accentuated, proves time & again to be incapable of uniting the working class about it,if it vacillates, becomes confused..."

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore "...contradicts itself, then the petty bourgeoisie loses patience and begins to look upon the revolutionary workers as those responsible for its own misery. All the bourgeois parties, including the social democracy, turn its thoughts in this very direction."

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore "When the social crisis takes on an intolerable acuteness, a particular party appears on the scene with the direct aim of agitating the petty bourgeoisie to a white heat and of directing its hatred and its despair against the proletariat."

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@Fiorella_im @Oinklet2 @LincolnS1866 @Ihavenousefora1 @ChaseLa74813330 @ComandanteMDT @WSWS_Updates @Genevievewsws @jkishore Much more could be said. Ppl like @Fiorella_im who bounce from Sanders to Trump do not know where they will be in six months or six weeks. Petty-bourgeois radicals awed by fascist demagogues have nothing to do with socialism and the working class.

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