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Copenhagen climate summit sabotages humanity's future

The collapse of climate change negotiations in Copenhagen proclaimed the bankruptcy, not only of the rulers of the 192 nations meeting there, but of the system they represent.

Editorial

Real state of the union

One year ago saw the historic inauguration of Barack Obama as the first Black president of the U.S., with a mandate for change, against the backdrop of the most serious capitalist crisis in decades. But much of what he has done, and failed to do, has demonstrated the limitations of his "pragmatism" and of bourgeois electoral politics.

From the Writings of Raya Dunayevskaya

From the Black-Red Conference: Dialectics of the freedom movements

To mark both Black History Month and the Raya Dunayevskaya Centenary, we present excerpts of the lecture she gave on Jan. 12, 1969, at the Black-Red Conference in Detroit.

Essay

On the 60th anniversary of the coal miners' general strike: Automation and Marxist-Humanism's birth

For the Raya Dunayevskaya centenary year, Andy Phillips, a participant of the 1949-50 coal miners' general strike, reflects on that strike, Dunayevskaya's involvement, the meaning of the miners' revolt against Automation, and the birth of Marxist-Humanism. The problems disclosed in that strike have not only not been solved, they have become much more exacerbated and relevant for today.

Haiti's unnatural disaster

Announcements:

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- Revolutionary Black Struggles and Ideas in Two New Marxist-Humanist Publications

The conditions of human life that have made the Haitians particularly vulnerable to the consequences of the massive earthquake are not "natural". Vulnerability to natural disasters is almost a direct function of poverty.

Iran: Ashura revolt shakes regime

The uprising of Iranian people on Dec. 27, 2009, caught everyone by surprise both in its depth and breadth, including the opposition leaders. It was truly spontaneous and self-directed. Unlike previous street protests, no one, that is, no organization or leader called for it.

Cal. open university students brutalized

Two participants in the University of California, Berkeley, campus activities during the Fall of 2009 give a report of their experience.

Levi-Strauss' anti-humanism vs. dialectic

Levi-Strauss's death gives us an opportunity to revisit a brief but interesting discussion by Raya Dunayevskaya of his thought regarding the concepts of history, meaning and the dialectic.

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