

Mayday Amidst Global Mayhem

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As Mayday approaches, the day celebrated for over a century as an emblem of workers power (Mayday), seems to have become a symbol of its fall.

That's because, as economic system has gone through shocks, aftershocks and tremors, social and communal wealth has been funneled to banking and corporate interests – bailouts for billionaires, while workers have faced, at best, a plague of cutbacks; at worst, mass layoffs and firings as businesses reorganize by being even more antagonistic to labor.

Marx and Engels rightly determined that „modern state is but the executive committee of the Bourgeoisie“. Why else would the world's economic powers pour hundreds of billions into corporate coffers – virtually no questions asked – while dropping a pittance – like coins in the cup – to workers and their families.

Mayday began in America amidst the fateful events of the Haymarket rebellion of the 1800s, when workers struggled for the 40-hour workweek and abolition of child labor.

Mayday still represents workers struggle in America, Europe, Africa and Asia against state state and corporate repression and greed.

Basically capitalism is in severe crisis and the phony wars, as well as the very real rise of cronyism but mirror that crisis. If workers are to use their billions to change the world, they must join hands across false barriers to build a new and better world where life and liberty are far more precious than profit.

It's not only possible, it is necessary!

Thanx, Ona Move!

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