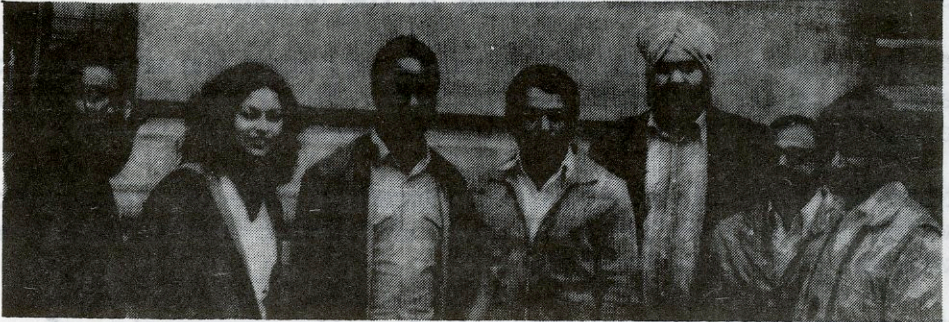


Black Workers Conference



Out of 1.9 million blacks, the majority are in manual jobs. 62% of them are organised in the unions as compared to 48% white workers.

Blacks have led prominent strikes like at Grunwicks, Imperial Typewriters and Garners Steakhouse. Why then

- 1) Are there very few black full time officers in unions?
- 2) Is the number of blacks on leading elected bodies minimal?
- 3) Were there very few trade union banners at the last demonstration against immigration laws and the nationality bill despite official backing by the TUC and the Labour Party?
- 4) Is so little material carried in trade union journals about black history?
- 5) Do union courses scarcely cover racism?

These are some of the problems which the black workers conference will discuss.

Come to the BLACK WORKERS CONFERENCE.

SEPTEMBER 12th AT DIGBETH CIVIC HALL, BIRMINGHAM.

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On Saturday February 7th 1981 a meeting was held in the offices of the Commission for Racial Equality. It was attended by 80 black trade unionists. After discussion they decided, unanimously, to set up a steering committee with a view to organising a conference of black workers, as well as establishing black caucuses in the unions.

As British capitalism is restructured, more and more blacks are thrown out of work. The problems these workers confront are different to those of other workers.

More and more black women are forced to take up 'home-work' which is very poorly paid. It is difficult to organise them without a black dimension.

As the economic crisis grows so does the oppression of black workers. Harassment increases, as well as violent attacks on blacks.

It is in the light of these developments that a conference of black workers has been called on September 12th, at Digbeth Civic Hall. If you are interested, please cut off the slip and post it to us as quickly as possible. An agenda and list of speakers will be sent later.

I shall be attending the conference of black workers, on September 12th at Digbeth Civic Hall, Birmingham.

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