

JOHN REED BOCKSTORE, INC.
"The People's Place"
Room 613, Dekum Building
519 SW 3rd Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97204

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Dear Friends:

We bring you glad tidings! The JOHN REED BOOKSTORE which we have been talking about for so long is now a reality. You can find us in the northwest corner of the Dekum Building in ROCM 613.

Cur recent experiences throughout the state campaigning for Hall-Tyner, speaking with groups of people, spending a week early in September in a booth at the Oregon State Fair, having discussions with students in high school and college, all clearly demonstrate the values of and the need for a Marxist Bookstore such as we envision. For, through these experiences, we are reaching thousands of interested people who are responsive to what we are doing and to what we have to say.

Now that the elections are over, we cannot afford to just sit back and wait to see what will happen. If we do, it will be nothing, you can be sure. Write to the newly elected officials and tell them what you expect from them, what you will be watching for. And keep your facts accurate through literature you will find available at the JOHN REED BOOKSTORE!

Specializing in Marxist literature, we plan to have a complete line of books, pamphlets, newspapers, magazines, periodicals on the topics of labor, history, sociology, economics, liberation movements, struggles of Third World People--all with the purpose of providing you with the pertinent information you might need. Also included will be works on health issues, science, art, philosophy, women's studies, psychology, aging, poetry...materials which will be current as well as historical, to satisfy a wide range of tastes and interests.

In preparation is a Marxist Library, which, when completed, will contain materials not readily available elsewhere. You will be able to research a subject or just read for pleasure and/or information. This winter, we are planning a program of educational forums on current and historical events. The first event is scheduled for Wednesday, December 1, at 7 PM in the sixth floor meeting room. (See next page for more details.)

Those of us working with the Bookstore are most excited at all the potential we see before us! Such possibilities! But, along with this important, valuable project comes the need for MORE FUNDS TO KEEP US GOING...to bring all of these visions to reality. We are aware that your pockets grow emptier as the days pass—that is a big part of our struggle today. But, supporting the Bookstore is a very wise investment; knowledge helps to give us the understanding, power, strength and energy to be part of the struggle for a better life, for a better world. Good knowledge is our insurance...like good health!

While we have much collective energy, enthusiasm, committment, and a sharp taste for hard work--all vital to the success of the Bookstore, we also need money to help keep it going...and growing! We took on this project because we feel it to be most important and worthwile--because we know it is time for the people to have a Marxist Bookstore. If you at all agree with us, if you too can see the need for this Bookstore-Educational Center to be realized, then please make a contribution accordingly. We will be most appreciative of any amount you can give.

Come in and visit with us. If you are looking for a book and we don't have it, we will order it for you from our catalogs. We plan to have in a stock of beautiful books in time for holiday giving.

Remember, you too can share in the support of the JOHN REED BOOKSTORE, you can help to make our vision a reality: be actively involved in its success by making a contribution and by buying books here. This Bookstore is meant to be a People's Bookstore; the JOHN REED BOCKSTORE is for YOU...for yesterday, for today--and for the future!

In struggle!

Anthony Krchmarek

Martina Curl

for the JOHN REED BOOKSTORE

NOTE BOOKSTORE HOURS: Monday thru Friday 10:30 AM to 5:00 PM

> Saturday 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM

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ANNOUNCEMENT

On WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1, at 7 PM,
Ross Danielson will show slides and
give an informative talk based on
his recent visit to Cuba.
This event will be held in the 6th
floor meeting room of the Dekum
Building, 519 SW 3rd Avenue, downtown. For further information, call
the bookstore, 227-2902.

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