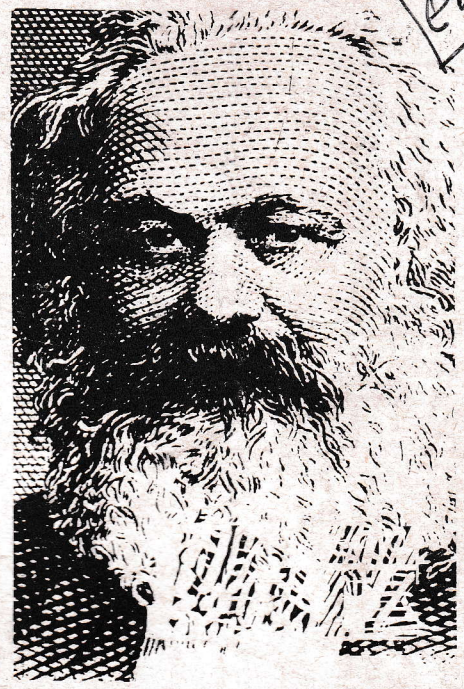


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# Welcome to the class struggle

In the thick of a raging struggle between right reaction and the increasing progressive forces in our country, a new journal is born to the progressive Press christened *The Analyst*. It is a 40 page, neatly produced, fighting monthly paper.

It's publisher, our own irrepressible fighter for social justice, Abdul Balarabe Musa, says in a Foreword to the first number, "It is not by accident that the *Analyst* is being born at such a time. We, it's publishers, do not intend to stand by the sidelines and watch the same old reactionary forces that mis-shaped our past to monopolise the debate and the search, and thereby jeopardise our future."

He assured all readers of *The Analyst* that the journal will "expose the real class origins and interests of all activities in Nigeria. . . . will help sift progressive ideas from reactionary ones. . . will help remove all the fancy attire in which, the old bankrupt ideas will be clothed, and show them up in all their naked ugliness."

Right inside its first number, *The Analyst* has begun to tear through some fancy dresses and funny masks.

Its lead story is a well researched answer to a lead question "Who owns What" in Nigeria. And the cover-let is a tell-tale collection of the big boys of the Nigerian bourgeoisie.

I learn on some gossip authority that the UAC chieftain, Lawyer Shonekan, is raising a legal fist threateningly at the *Analyst*. But that's cheap *shakara* (bragga docio). The *Analyst* editor knows, as we here do, that the greater the truth, the less the libel.

New Horizon welcomes *The Analyst* to the fighting trench.

Comrade Fatogun, Chairman of the Editorial Board of New Horizon had this to say when asked to comment on the birth of *The Analyst*:

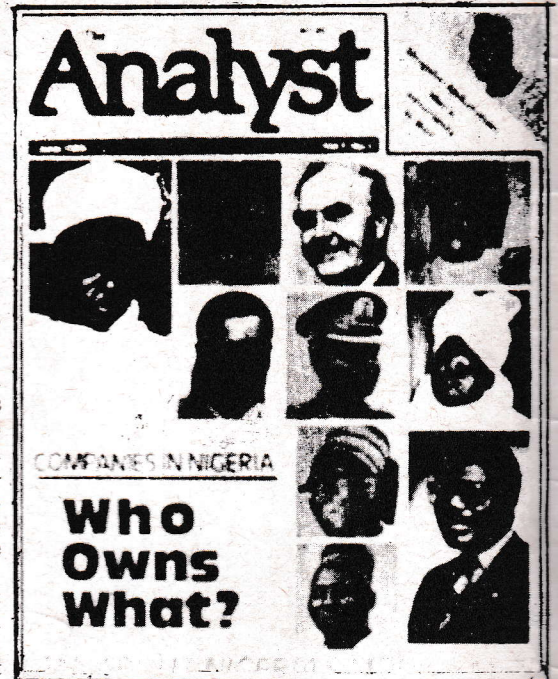
"The appearance of *The Analyst* is very much welcomed by me. It's like an in-rush of another current of wholesome air to Nigeria's stuffy political atmosphere so heavily saturated with bourgeois media propaganda. I had always wished that the progressive press grow more speedily into a powerful force, powerful enough to effectively counter the mass circulation, cheap yellow newspapers of the bourgeois media houses. That's why, always you see me jubilantly cheering in a new comer into the proletarian press."

Comrade Fatogun commented further: "You see, the task before the progressives in this country is enormously enormous, if you permit my over-emphasis. And ninety per cent of this task is in the area of popularising Marxism-Leninism among the working people in a country that some one hundred million strong. We have a problem of effective mass communication of progressive information in the continent of Africa.

"And Marxist information you will agree is the most authentic in the world today."

"Industrial development in Nigeria, especially during the oil-boom era resulted - (a) in the concentration of the industrial workers in the urban areas, (b) in raising the skill and the literacy level of the working class and (c) in greatly expanding newspaper readership among workers.

"The saddening situation in our country today is such that this ever-increasing population of proletarian readers is exposed only to the opinion manipulation of the bourgeois press.



That situation, we of the proletarian press must work hard to correct. And the more the progressive papers and journals, the more powerful will be the countervailing progressive press." Comrade Fatogun reminds us:

"Marx in his earlier work on the role of journalism in class struggle, described the progressive press as "the vigilant eye of the popular spirit, and an instrument through which we could observe life, a way to acquire knowledge about life and a means to create public opinion."

"He and Engels saw the progressive press as an important weapon of the working class. Lenin saw it as the greatest organiser."

'Jide Salami



COMRADE DAFO FATOGUN  
Editor-in-Chief, New Horizon

## AMERICAN AGGRESSION

Sir,

On reading your well-researched piece on 'American aggression World-wide' which appeared in the June issue of the New Horizon, I have come to the conclusion that aggression is the habit of America. In fact, one will not be far from the truth that the bed-rock of American foreign policy is built on aggression because it is not today that America has started this. It is a shame that America should involve herself in aggression in other lands whether big or small in this late hour.

Seghai Volde  
Addis Ababa  
Ethiopia.

Sir,

Reagan stands guilty before the bar of International justice for its attack on Benghazi and Tripoli. No doubt her action is condemned

## FROM OUR MAILBAG

by both the East and the West. Reagan is now a pronounced No. 1 terrorist in the world.

Julius Angela

Private Mail Bag, Makeni  
Sierra Leone.

Sir,

Shame unto America for attacking the two Libyan cities of Tripoli and Benghazi on the flimsy and unproved accusation that Libya supports terrorism.

Francis I. Boujeh  
Lagos.

## MAY DAY

That Trade unionism has triumphed over fascism is no under-statement! See how American capitalism wanted to crush unionism

among the working class by silencing August Spies and his colleagues in 1886 yet, it is as strong today as a fiddle stick.

Taiye Adebayo  
Unilag, Lagos.

Editor's Note,

Once again, we thank our nenerous readers who have found time to comment on the issues being raised in this magazine.

More reactions, comments to the contents of 'NEW HORIZON' are welcomed. However, such reactions should be brief and should be addressed to the Editor, New Horizon Publications, 7, Omoniyi Street, P. O. Box 2165, Babalosh, Mushin, Lagos, Nigeria.

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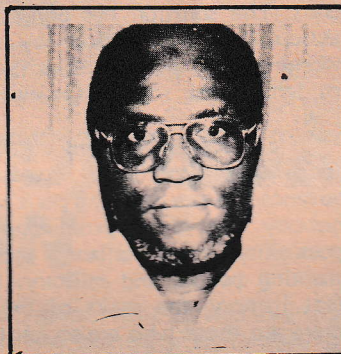
## WHO'S THE WITCH ?

"Those who are already jubilating over the smashed alliance of the NLC and other democratic organisations should get it straight that nothing is smashed. The mere fact that Senior Staff Associations are not affiliated to the NLC does not stop any joint action if and when events dictate the need."

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Wahab Goodluck



Hassan Sunmonu

"The NLC-NANS-ASUU in June gave the government some hypertension over the June 4 ultimatum. Now the military government frightened stiff by the might of the great alliance looks for ways to dismantle it."

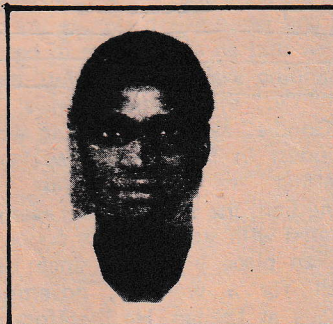
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"The lecturers were not the people in fact who created the conditions that led the students to demonstrate. In fact, there were conditions within the campuses that had made it almost impossible that the students will keep their hands akimbo and will not fight for their rights."

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Emman Ezeazu



Abdullahi Mahdi

"It will be unfortunate also if lecturers are just flushed out without any criminal offence or breach of appointment contract against them. And if this happens, ASUU will not fold its arms and be watching. We shall definitely react."

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**says**

***Nigeria must quit  
Commonwealth  
if Britain opposes  
economic sanctions  
against Apartheid  
South African Republic***



Join the ALL NIGERIA PEACE AND  
SOLIDARITY ORGANISATION

***and mobilise support for the  
struggles of the children of  
SOWETO and for the release  
Nelson Mandela***

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