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FROM OUR MAILBAG

If the news item captioned "How to prevent coups" credited to Chief T.O.S. Benson on the back page of the DAILY TIMES of February 5, 1987, is correct, we are being treated to a new formula of "marriage" between the Army and a Civilian Government through blood-relation.

According to the news item, Chief Benson advised political aspirants to encourage their children to join the Armed Forces and Police so that it will be difficult for children in uniform to overthrow their parents in Agbada.

But Shehu Shagari's son was in the Armed Forces when Shagari's Government was overthrown. Let us assume he was too 'alone'. Or are we to understand that as many numbers of political aspirants should form a formidable alliance, if they are in different political parties, and get as many number of their children into the Armed

RECIPE AGAINST COUPS ?

Forces and the Police?

Then if parents/politicians decide to be corrupt they must convince their children to be corrupt and then they will constitute a ruling class who will rule the country from generation to generation.

BRAVO! BRAVO! TOS-'B'

By the way, what will happen to those already in the Armed Forces? Retire them? Adopt them? Eliminate them? Or convert them?

Let Chief Benson give more details of how this theory will work. It will be a contribution to 'Nigerian made' political science.

In a *New Nigerian* parley last year, one of the ex-politicians developed a "divine" opinion by telling us that Capitalism was created by God and Socialism created by man. You cannot find this in the Koran or the Bible. He favoured Capitalism.

If our elderly politicians cannot tell this generation what they did in the past to put a wedge in the wheels of progress and unity in this country, let them shut their trap.

If they will not, let them elaborate in detail so that Nigerians can assess the practicability or the authenticity of their theories. The search continues!

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WHO'S WHO IN THE UNIONS ?

It will be impracticable and counter productive if some reference books and other statutory provisions are lacking in our trade union circle. Trade Unions in Nigeria have assumed great dimension that since the reformation in 1978, there was nothing like who's who in Nigeria Labour Movement.

The Federal Ministry of Employment, Labour and Productivity should give this matter a priority it deserves to enable the

working trade unionists to know the origin of trade union in this country and the achievements of our past and present union leaders like Papa Imoudu and others.

Similarly, the complete scarcity of the Nigeria Labour Law has given cause for alarm and has contributed to some industrial unrest in our trade union movement. The absence of this book of Law and other statutory provisions have rendered most industrial unions and their leaders impotent.

It is my contention that adequate arrangements should be made to print the Nigeria Labour Law in large quantities to help union leaders and other aspirants in their day to day running of their unions.

The earlier this is done, the better for us all.

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◆ What is happening to Socialism in the USSR ?

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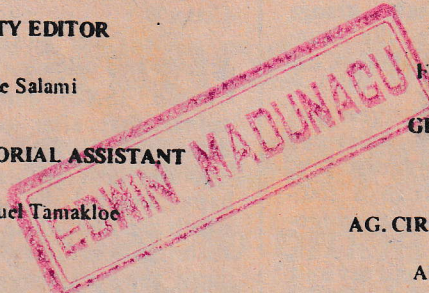
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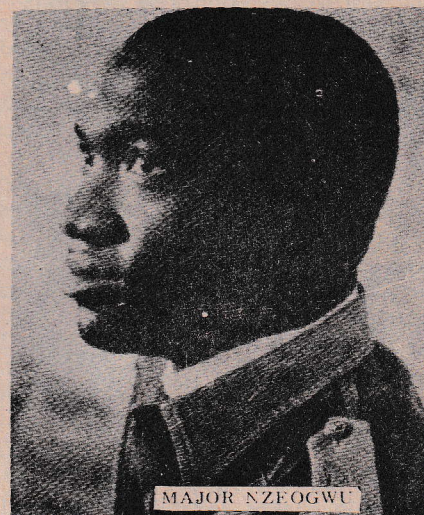
"The hard won National Minimum Wage Act of 1981, which legalised ₦125 minimum wage for workers has been given a callous re-touching by the Babangida Administration in favour of exploiters. The amendment has shown to Nigerian workers again how the ruling class is consolidating its exploitative tendency".

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THE RETURN OF THE RETIRED GENERALS

"We hear that the Kaduna-Mafia are grooming retired Major-General Yar 'Adua as their 1990 presidential candidate, that the Langtan Mafia may field another retired General. And that the arch-tribalists, sectionalists, confederationists among the southern generals are swearing by Oduduwa and Igbandu that another Northern president (whether in uniform or in mufti will not happen next time around?"

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NUCLEAR DANGER!

1 The explosive power of the first atom bomb dropped on Hiroshima was equal to "only" 13,500 tons of TNT. It killed 100,000 people and subjected tens of thousands of others to endless suffering. Today there are more than one million "Hiroshima bombs" in existence on Earth.

3 In the event of an all-out war the immediate results of the use of nuclear weapons alone would be the death of at least 2,500 million people, or nearly half of mankind.

FACTS TO PONDER

2 If nuclear munitions totalling "only" 100-150 megatons are used in a nuclear conflict, a "nuclear winter" will set in. It will last for several months, which will most likely result in the end of human life on Earth.

4 The destructive power of the arms aboard a single Poseidon submarine is three times greater than that of all the munitions used in the Second World War, including the bombing of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. The fire power of one Trident submarine is eight times greater. The United States now has 31 Poseidons and six Tridents.

ONE MILLION NIGERIANS SIGN
SURVIVAL OF MANKIND! HAVE YOU?

Join the All-Nigeria Peace and Solidarity Organisation's nationwide campaign for a nuclear-free world.