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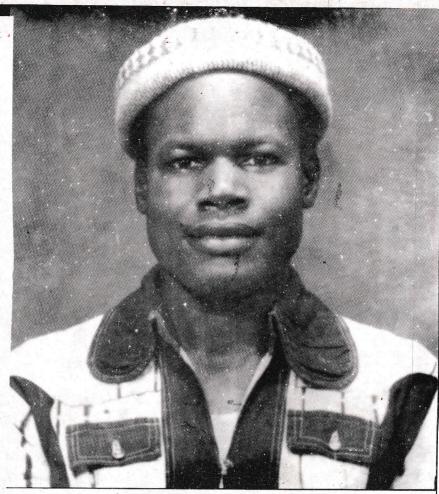
- : The coup pulls through
- The big joke on graduate job-seekers.

NNK'S 41 BIRTHDAY

IF he were still alive, Nicholas Ntiem Kungwai would be 41 on the 20th of this month. And larger in academic and political stature.

A proud son of the working class, and budding leader of the Nigerian revolution. Ntiem, as Graduate Assistant at the Ahmadu Bello University. Zaria, fell and died suddenly, books in hand, on his way from the Kashim Ibrahim Library to the FASS on the morning of Thursday, October 18, 1984.

- * The YUSSA mourned: "The Youth see Kungwai better. To them he appears an admirable example of that complete commitment, that absolute dedication to the advancement of mankind which they instinctively feel represents the highest and noblest attainment an individual can achieve."
- * NANS wept: "The death of Nicholas Ntiem Kungwai is not only a loss to his family and FASS, ABU, but a loss to Nigerian students and the suffering, struggling and fighting people of not only Nigeria, but the world over."
- * His close comrade A. Sokoto Mohammed saw him as "a man who had a deep sense of humility" and an iron-cast determination and perseverance."
- * New Horizon, represented by Comrade Dapo Fatogun said of Kungwai: "Though frail in stature, and taciturn by nature, Ntiem was a fastgrowing giant of the Nigerian revolution— one who had attained, by dint of hard revolutionary work, the eminence of leadership among comrades,



Late Com. Nicholas Ntiem Kungwai

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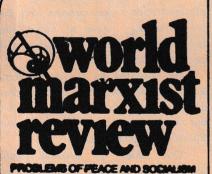
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INTRO

THIS issue, as usual, carries a lot of spicy stories that would no doubt keep you watchful of events in 1989. Some of these stories are:

The searchlight was recently turned on for a lasting solution to the ever increasing incidence of corruption and economic crimes in the society at a conference organised by the Federal Ministry of Justice. However, the organisers and participants seem to have forgotten that these are issues to be taken as an 'organic whole' hence, the need to review the existing political, economic and social order.

Come to think of it, on whose neck do we hang the rope of crime and corruption: Shagari, Buhari-Idiagbon, Babangida or the capitalist system operated by the country? New Horizon, this month provides you with an incisive analysis to ease the strains of your search.

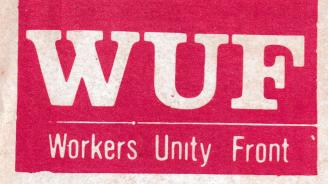
Sole Administrator Michael Ogunkoya's ten-month tenure in the NLC ended last month with the swearing-in of the executive elects, December 30, 1988. However, a new cause has been opened in the annals of the Working Class Movement in Nigeria.

Three main trends have now emerged in the NLC; the remnants of the depleted 'democrats', remnants of the depleted 'progressives' and the disciples of the new sultan of the NLC. We serve you the spicy menu to give you an insight into what the working of the new NLC would be.

Certainly, the joke continues at the National Directorate of Employment as it celebrates its second birthday this month. How many people have been employed? How do Nigerian graduates cope with the meagre loan given them for farming in the face of SAP? These questions and others are aptly answered in this issue.

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RELEASE THE NEPA ELEVEN

THE FMG must release the jailed NEPA 11.

They committed no crime. They are no economic saboteurs. The IBB administration must remember that it has anchored its policy on human rights.

The right of workers to embark on industrial action in pursuance of their legitimate rights when denied is universally accepted. This administration cannot abandon the garb of decency for that of a fascist dictatorship.

The man IBB, we believe, would not wish history to remember him as a dictator talkless of a fascist.

The Workers of Nigeria united in solidarity appeal to the FMG to release the jailed NEPA 11.

Workers of Nigeria Unite!