

## **Pathfinder Press**

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### **Capitalism and the Transformation of Africa**

Waters, editor of New International magazine and president of Pathfinder press, has teamed with Koppel (managing editor, The Militant newsweekly) to underscore the social transformations of the capitalist and working classes of Equatorial Guinea that are emerging with the development of the oil extraction industry. Written for those interested in international development and economics, this volume combines this narrative with the story of Cuban medical volunteers who have traveled to Africa to work alongside and train Guinean medical personnel as they build a health care system throughout the country for the first time. A final section, Waters' "reporter's notebook" based upon her 2005 and 2008 visits to Equatorial Guinea, gives the reader a broader picture of life, labor, and politics in that country. (Annotation ©2009 Book News Inc. Portland, OR)

### **Europe and America**

This volume reproduces two speeches by Leon Trotsky (1879-1940), delivered shortly after V.I. Lenin's death and prior to Trotsky's expulsion from the Bolshevik Party. The first, "Perspectives of World Development," was delivered in July of 1924 and the second, "Europe and America," was delivered two years later in February of 1926. Both speeches concern the political and military consequences of the emergence of the United States as the dominant imperialist power in the aftermath of World War I. (Annotation ©2009 Book News Inc. Portland, OR)

### **New International no. 14 Revolution, Internationalism, and Socialism: the Last Year of Malcolm X**

This volume of New International, a magazine of Marxist politics and theory contains four articles, two by Jack Barnes, the current National Secretary of the Socialist Workers Party. The articles by Barnes review the antilabor record of the Clinton administration as connected to the 2008 world financial crisis and describe the last year of Malcolm X's life as one in which he moved towards revolutionary internationalism and socialism. Other articles include a statement of the Socialist Workers Party on the stewardship of nature by the working class and a 2005 letter to the 16th World Festival of Youth and Students from the Young Socialists on anti-fascism, imperialism, and World War II. (Annotation ©2009 Book News Inc. Portland, OR)

### **Teamster Power**

This is the second volume of a four-volume history of the Teamster union battles of the 1930s by labor activist Farrell Dobbs (1907-1983), who helped initiate the Minneapolis truck drivers strike of 1934 and worked as a full-time union organizer with the Teamsters until 1939, when he assumed the position of labor secretary of the newly-formed Socialist Workers Party. This volume begins with the aftermath of the Minneapolis Teamsters strike and tells the story of how the Teamsters expanded union power throughout the Upper Midwest of the United States. Features a rich collection of photos depicting the labor and political battles of the 1930s. (Annotation ©2009 Book News Inc. Portland, OR)