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Transition point to mid-1960s. What has to be stressed here is that the Marxists of all varieties except ourselves were using the fact that the German movment had been both a mass movement and mainly proletarian, against the newly emerging, seemingly middle-class in the U.S. What they failed to see the was that one great dimension—the Black, which seemed to be totally absent in the European movment—was not only present here, but it is the precise characteristic that at once reconnected it with the 1st from [848], which likewise the not only arose/and was related to the Blacks dimension, but the latter had actually preceded it.Q Maria Stewart and relate it to Nat Turner. That is not

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Now, the short minded men who called themselves marxist of our era were per totally bereft of marx's own philosophy. thereby not only confusing marx and Engels as one and not only knowing nothing at all about the EN, but seeming to know next to nothing of open, actual history of marx that was the very much part of the movement. What I'm referring to is even if one of the periods, 1844, was unknown, 1848, Ch. certainly was not unknown, and there marx spoke not only about equality, but about the need to destroy the family as totally bourgeois.

2ndly, there was the magnificent First International of which we never stop hearing, and yet we likewise did not know that Mark had not only been very active in so-called recruiting women, but had seen that they was full leadership responsibility. Madame Harriet Law, who was a member of the General Council and an editor, of... was the very one who published Mark in various periods whon all others refused. Furthermore, just before the Paris Commune, Mark not only sent a young Russian woman, to organize a women's section of the International in Paris, but again the relationship was not only organizational and not only trench, but theoretical and Russian, that is, the gave him a lot of information on Russian agriculture which she was then studying.

4thly, again, if even we did not know the EK, there was absolutely no way not to know the preface to the Russian edition to the communist Manifesto and the correspondence with Vera Zasulich.

So the question is, how the heck did all these Marxists have so absolutely bourgeois a conception of the so-called role of women, and how could it persist so long that when we come to the mid-1960s when it is already a mass movement in the U.S. and in the world, we still get these absolutely

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that at one and the same time wireally have a backward position on the "world historic defeat" of women, and on the other,

One more absolutely open and indeed more or less of our age high point of development of women has likewise had little attention paid to it. I am referring to leb. 1917, when the women were actually the ones who initiated nothing short of the overthrow of Tvarism. By the time Trotsky wrote the history of the Russian Revolution he certainly wrote a most moving piece on the women's historic action. Unfortunately, as moving as it was, he did not make a category out of it. Quite the contrary, the essence of that beautiful passage was not only a paean to unconsious behavior in revolutionary movements, but the stress on the fact that since it was only spontane ous, it was only when the direct action of Bolshevism came in that the reb. revolution moved toward Nov.

the 1970s and 80s.) In our age therefore, not only must we, though critically, give full credit to the WIM new vantage points, just because they are new, rather than all unless we recognize that by this new and only with this new, even when it couldn't work out the philosophic ramifications, we get a total conception of how deep must be the uprcoting and with it, the demand that it be discussed now, not the day after the revolution.

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