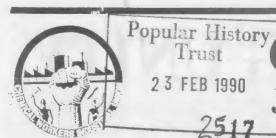
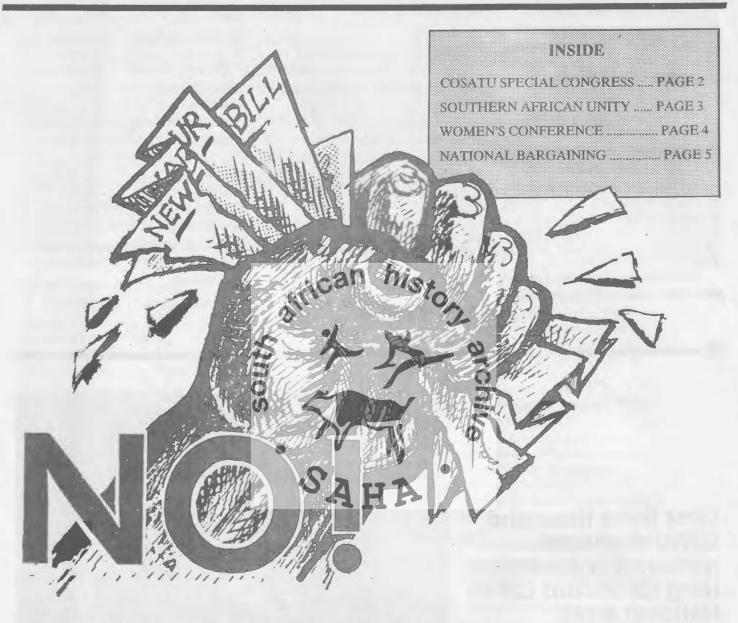
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Workers take action to defend their rights.

Millions of workers throughout the land showed their opposition to the new bill. COSATU and NACTU had called for three days of peaceful protest. It was the first time ever that the two biggest labour federations had come together and acted together against the bosses and the state. The three day protest was the biggest ever in the history of our struggle. The impact of the mass action was immediate. The Minister of Manpower announced that he would be willing to meet the unions. Some of the bosses, who were vigorously supporting the bill, also now seem willing to discuss it further. But the action was not without cost. Several companies dismissed workers, some cancelled stop order agreements and suspended wage negotiations.

The fight against the Bill continues!