

UMW LEADERSHIP ASSISTS GOVERNMENT IN PLANNING MILITARIZATION FOR UPCOMING STRIKE

WASHINGTON, D.C., Nov. 7 (IPS)--The United Mine Workers leadership is meeting regularly with representatives of the Federal Energy Administration, the National Governors Conference, and other government "energy emergency" coordinating bodies to plan further militarization of the U.S. economy during the upcoming miners' strike.

Tom Bowns, Special Executive Assistant for Environmental and Energy Affairs to Governor Marvin Mandel of Maryland, told IPS yesterday that assistants to UMW President Arnold Miller have been meeting with Governors' representatives from all 50 states to schedule energy rationing "so that people won't freeze." Said Bowns, "We are in a united front with the UMW."

Today UMW officials are meeting with representatives of President Ford's "War Cabinet," the Domestic Council, to go over various strike scenarios. The Domestic Council includes Secretary of the Interior Rogers Morton and officials of the Federal Energy Administration.

Bowns' remarks indicate that one of the contingency plans being considered by the Rockefeller-controlled UMW leadership is scabbing on its own strike "so that people won't freeze." Such a development could be scheduled to occur after one to three weeks of complete shutdown, during which large-scale layoffs, rationing, and general economic paralysis will be blamed on the set-up miners.

According to Bowns, the UMW officials meeting regularly with the Governors Conference Energy Project are Ed James and Rick Banks. James, a three-time visitor to the United Auto Workers brainwashing center at Black Lakes, is familiar to subscribers as the UMW spokesman who thought last winter's British miners' strike, which resulted in a three-day work week for the British working class, was a victory for the miners.

Jay Rockefeller has described Rick Banks as his closest friend in the UMW bureaucracy, after Miller.

BLACK LAKES ALCOHOLISM CONFERENCE EXCLUDES IPS REPORTERS

BLACK LAKES, MICH., Nov. 7 (IPS)--Two reporters from New Solidarity International Press Service were denied admission yesterday to a two day industrial brainwashing planning conference sponsored by the National Council on Alcoholism. This conference took place at the UAW's Black Lakes resort, the notorious menticide center. In a phone interview earlier in the week, NCA Labor Management head Bill Duncan had told IPS that representatives would be "most welcome. All sessions will be open to the press."

At Black Lakes, when the reporters' car approached a guard house

11/7/74

IPS D1

floodlights flashed on, combing the entire adjacent wooded area. The alleged UAW recreation center was surrounded by barbed wire fence. A private ambulance was parked just inside. Guards nervously demanded full press credentials (all of which were in order). After an extended delay, IPS reporters were told that they would not be allowed in and they were ordered to leave immediately, with no further explanation.

This response, suddenly "closing" an admittedly open conference when New Solidarity showed up, was predictable. The attendance of outside forces representing the working class would have sabotaged the entire scheduled operation. Gathered at the world's only maximum security recreational center were representatives of labor, management, and government, to plan out the next level of mass industrial brainwashing under the guise of alcohol rehabilitation. Political workers are targetted for brainwashing. NCA's 170 local affiliate organizations have been instrumental in setting up mind-killing programs in Bethlehem Steel, Reynolds Tobacco, Ford, Chrysler, and General Motors -- just to name a few.

Duncan described the NCA's approach to alcoholism: by bringing labor and management together, the brainwasher can create the maximum pressure on the worker with an alleged drinking problem. "The alcoholic is one who balks until the alternative -- ie., job loss -- is worse than the condition." How is the alcoholic in the plant spotted? "Any reasonably alert supervisor can determine alcoholism in an employee through job performance." Duncan said such alertness will identify alcoholics "five or ten years prior to identification through physical signs."

Reporters interested in finding out directly from Mr. Duncan what went on at Black Lakes, and more about the NCA's "magical" method for detecting alcoholics should call him at 212-889-3160.

MICHIGAN MARTIAL LAW MODEL ENACTED IN 14 STATES

NEW YORK, Nov. 7 (IPS)--The State of Michigan's Emergency Energy Act of 1974, a plan which gives complete dictatorial control over production, employment, and energy consumption in that state whenever the governor decides there is a "severe energy emergency," has been replicated almost to the letter and enacted as law in 14 other states. According to Mr. Richard Jones, liason between state governments and the National Governors Conference in Washington D.C., the Governors of Delaware, Hawaii, Iowa, Maryland, New York, Ohio, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Vermont, Washington, Wisconsin and West Virginia are all "legally" empowered to turn their states into military occupation zones simply by issuing a short declaration announcing the arrival of Rockefeller's latest "energy emergency."

These state-level emergency powers laws grant strict dictatorial powers to seize private property; to allocate fuel and other "critic