

With operational control of the U.S. government increasingly in the hands of a few loyal Kissinger NSC'ers, it is no surprise that regular White House channels and most of the regular military reached over the last two days were uninformed of the maneuvers.

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IPS estimated this week that in order for the Rockefellers to roll over their current outstanding second quarter debt the living standards of the U.S. working class must be reduced by 30 per cent within the coming months. The rapid passage of several pieces of legislation, the provocation of strikes in upcoming contract negotiations and the lack of resistance from potentially factional right-wing layers led by Treasury Secretary William Simon provides the economic basis for carrying out these policies. The implementation of such austerity measures and the concomitant decline in living standards can only be accomplished by the imposition of a police state.

Attorney General Edward Levi sounded the keynote for such a development in a private, heavily guarded speech at Columbia University on Dec. 2. Levi openly threatened that any attempt by the House Committee on Intelligence (the Pike Committee), or any other Congressional body to call into question the illegal covert activities of the Executive branch would immediately destroy the constitution and the government.

Simultaneously, FBI Director Clarence Kelley and outgoing CIA director William Colby warned of the danger of internal subversion and pleaded that the intelligence and security services not be hamstrung by unnecessary restrictions of the freedom of operation. Kelley called directly for the establishment of sane guidelines that would effectively "legalize" covert COINTELPRO-type operations - thus dovetailing with statements calling for such guidelines to be incorporated into the fascist criminal code reform legislation, S.1.

Parallel with Levi's speech, a wave of terror was unleashed against the working-class allies of the U.S. Labor Party, against Congress and against industrial opponents of Rockefeller.

On Dec. 3, Levi ordered an illegal gestapo-style raid by Levi-controlled Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) agents against a Chicago factory employing a large number of Mexican American immigrant workers and of USLP supporters. A Labor Party network captain was taken into custody along with 10 other Mexican American workers. They were grilled by INS members on Labor Party activity.

Only two days earlier 80 of the plant's 140-man workforce had signed a Labor Party petition calling for an end to National Security Council ordered invasion against the People's Republic of Angola.

The Chicago-based industrialist opponents of Rockefeller are being threatened with "official secrets"-style prosecution if they take information from the USLP. While privately arranging to open up major lines of credit to Japan and privately agreeing for a need for a debt moratorium, these layers have yet to publicly organize for such proposals. As such they are increasingly vulnerable to Rockefeller attack.

Congress, led by the Pike Committee, has temporarily collapsed in the face of the Levi onslaught. Pike has withdrawn 2 out of 3 contempt motions against Kissinger. The rest of Congress is reportedly succumbing to a behind-the-scenes "reds under the beds" campaign.