

News Update

July 18 (NSIPS) — As we go to press, reports from Lima indicate that Lower Manhattan and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger have forced a rapid shift in the Peruvian situation from a slow-fuse “institutional” change to fascism to the mode of the 1973 Chilean coup. Thursday, July 22 has been made a target date for the next phase of this process — the phase which will begin a Chilean type bloodbath. The Maoist SUTEP teachers union has called a nationwide strike for that date and already Institute for Policy Studies-controlled Maoists in universities as well as right-wing taxi owners are trying to expand the strike into a total showdown with the government. The outcome of the chaos which would ensue from such a strike would be a bloodbath.

Under orders from their creditors in Lower Manhattan, the government police have already begun to pick off potential leaders

of a resistance movement. Gustavo Espinoza, the head of the Peruvian Communist Party’s militant labor section was arrested by police two days ago. His arrest followed meetings the previous day between labor leaders and anti-austerity Army colonels.

Today’s edition of the Peruvian daily Comercio printed a statement from the head of the National Judicial Council giving full support for the new world economic order policies of ousted Peruvian Foreign Minister Miguel de la Flor. Reuters news agency, meanwhile, reports that a leading transport owner and fascist provocateur was arrested and that the fascist General Richter has still not been appointed to any top military posts.

NSIPS correspondents in Lima report that there is widespread discussion in trade union layers of moving to push for an immediate moratorium on Peru’s foreign debts.

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Dem Convention Spawns Nazi Labor Front

July 18 (NSIPS) — With an eerie feeling of *deja vu*, millions of workers watched in horror as the Democratic National Convention acted to replicate, in the guise of a phony New Labor Coalition, the coalescence of a 1930s Nazi Labor Front which is slated to become the Pivotal force behind the fascist Carter-Mondale ticket. The new Labor Coalition, heralded in major Atlanticist press organs as a “new voice” for labor replacing the old guard in the AFL-CIO, consists of such Institute for Policy Studies-controlled unions as the United Auto Workers, the United Mine Workers, the International Union of Electrical Workers, the National Education Association, Communications Workers of America, AFSCME, International Association of Machinists, and the Graphic Arts Union.

The Coalition, headed by top Institute labor spokesmen Leonard Woodcock and Jerry Wurf, represents the realization of decades-long wrecking operation against all constituent-based trade unions headed up by top Institute insurrectionist Victor Reuther, a leading member of the Fabian Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee (DSOC) Reuther, in an open letter circulated recently in the name of the new Coalition, boldly declared war on those avowedly anti-fascist unions within the AFL-CIO who, like the powerful International Brotherhood of Teamsters, have resisted implementation of the Carter-Mondale backed slave labor policies.

The New York Times, gloated in a July 15 front page article over the apparent demise of the formerly dominant “old-line” Meany faction of the AFL-CIO as an effective political force in the newly “reconstructed” Democratic Party. The Times underscored the significance of George Meany’s absence from the Democratic Convention by featuring the eight-union Labor Coalition as the principal architect of the Democratic slave labor platform — which Meany and his anti-fascist cronies in principally the Building Trades and Steel sections of the AFL-CIO have no choice but to support, the Times crowd. Meany, who is in a behind-the-scenes struggle with Institute forces within the AFL-CIO under the leadership of Lane Kirkland, AFL-CIO Secretary Treasurer, and Al Zack the AFL-CIO legislative Director, has so far refused to endorse the Carter-Mondale ticket. Boldly anticipating Meany’s capitulation to the Kirkland forces, the July 15 Christian Science Monitor trumpeted Kirkland as the source of widespread reports in the national press “the executive council of the federation ... will meet in Washington Monday July 19 to endorse the Democratic

nominee Jimmy Carter.”

The issue of support for the Carter-Mondale ticket however — is bringing the behind-the-scenes factional struggle into the open, with top AFL-CIO officials in Washington swinging into motion in an all-out fight against the Institute-backed Reuther-DSOC wrecking operation. Over the past week alone, the U.S. Labor Party has sold a dozen special intelligence briefs on “How the Institute for Policy Studies took over the Mineworkers” to worried top AFL-CIO bureaucrats who although stubbornly refusing to expose the Institute and its wreckers within the Labor movement, reluctantly admitted that the USLP has been right all along on the I.P.S. plans to wreck constituent-based trade unions.

Placed in the spotlight at the height of the Democratic Convention nominating speeches as the principal spokesman for the Institute-backed Labor Coalition, Cesar Chavez of the totally synthetic United Farm Workers union boldly outlines the goals of the resurrected Nazi Labor Front. Decrying the notions of progress and technology as antithetical to the “good life” Chavez called for massive de-industrialization, slave labor and equality of sacrifice — a theme echoed throughout the convention.

The Chavez call for “greater sacrifice, besides getting support in the speech of Carter-backer Peter Rodino, was given a larger voice in a Washington Post editorial by Wolf Von Eckardt which warned that the Carter program “is all good and promising as far as it goes ... but it does not I fear go far enough.”

The public flaunting of the new fascist labor coalition throughout the major national press and news media is an actual revelation of weakness and desperation by Atlanticist forces. Under pressure of time and growing support among especially Third World government forces for the USLP’s proposed debt moratorium and International Development Bank, the Atlanticists must immediately cut working class living standards in the advanced industrial sector by some 40 per cent which would have genocidal implications for millions of human beings outside the advanced sector. With the new fascist labor coalition openly exposed, the millions of U.S. workers who fought bitterly against fascism in World War II can deliver a crushing blow to the fascist resurgence by joining with the USLP to expose the insurrectionist Institute for Policy Studies and its criminal networks.

ENDORSEMENT OF FASCIST DEM PROGRAM PUTS TEAMSTERS IN DANGER OF INSTITUTE FOR POLICY STUDIES TAKEOVER

With the apparent capture of International Brotherhood of Teamsters International Secretary Ray Schoessling at this week's Democratic Convention, the Institute for Policy Studies terrorists have won a crucial tactical foothold within the Teamsters executive. Schoessling, the number two man in the Teamsters hierarchy and a member of Chicago Mayor Daley's delegation broke ranks with the tens of thousands of Teamsters who bitterly oppose slave labor and the Institute's attempts to destroy their union by "reluctantly" endorsing the despised Carter-Mondale ticket and its fascist program.

The capitulation of Schoessling to the Carter operation of Fabian Leonard Woodcock and the Institute for Policy Studies is the direct outcome of the refusal of leading Teamsters to publicly identify the Institute-directed offensive to break their union, despite the fact that they themselves are fully informed and cognizant of the nature of the attack against them. With leading Teamsters remaining stupidly silent, the Institute has been given room to launch an all-out offensive against the Teamster leadership which aims at restructuring the Teamsters along the lines of the toothless Institute-run United Mine Workers and eliminating the main potential organized labor movement opposition to the fascist effort centered around the Carter campaign.

Behind the capitulation of Schoessling, two key inside operations against the Teamsters emerged this week.

The morning after agent Cesar Chavez' raving anti-labor speech at the Democratic Convention, Institute brainwash victim Jimmy Hoffa Jr., reached in Detroit, said, "Maybe, as you say, we are captives of these Institute agents, but I'm supporting Carter all the way. Yes, I know the Labor Party program is for growth and expansion, the kind of policy the Teamsters supported in the past. I'm sorry, I have to support Carter." Hoffa has also authorized publication of a dubious autobiography of his father which lends credence to insinuations that the present Teamster leadership had a hand in the former Teamster president's murder.

In a related development, the Teamsters have capitulated to the Institute-led pressure to restructure their multi-billion dollar Central States Pension Fund along the lines dictated by "PROD," the Institute's "rank and file" counteragent with the union, and by the Special Senate Task Force which is charged with investigating the Fund. Daniel J. Shannon, Presiding Officer of the Fund and a former top Daley aide, has purged 28 of the 30 top executives of the Fund. To placate the Institute's Senate agents, Shannon replaced the 28 veterans with "bright, young, academic types," a code phrase for Institute for Policy Studies penetration.

Justice Dept. Claiming It's Ready to Launch Indictments of Hoffa Killers

At the same time, in an exact replay of the set up of Tony Boyle that led to the takeover of the United Mine Workers by Institute lapdog Arnold Miller, the July 16 Detroit News reported that the investigation into Jimmy Hoffa's murder is reaching the indictment stage. Embellishing on a week-old story in New York Times, the News quoted an unnamed source as saying, "We believe we now know all the significant details of the case and who killed Hoffa. We've got just a couple of problem areas. There will be indictments. The evidence is growing every day." Furthermore, the News reported, the grand jury investigating the case has granted immunity to Joseph Giacalone, the son of an alleged Mafia leader whose car was borrowed by Hoffa's foster son, Charles O'Brien, on the night of Hoffa's disappearance. The immunity grant removes Giacalone's right to remain silent before the grand jury on the basis of the Fifth Amendment.

Apparently, the top levels of the IBT leadership are walking into this set-up with their eyes open. Authoritative top-level teamster sources have reported to NSIPS that they have evidence that

"Maoists" — notoriously controlled by the Institute for Policy Studies — are responsible for Jimmy Hoffa's murder.

Nonetheless, leading Teamsters have made no move to counterattack against the Institute assault on their union. Typically, Cleveland Teamster leader Jackie Presser, the son of Cleveland Teamster head Bill Presser, sought to appease the Institute-PROD wreckers in his area by publishing a bicentennial ad in the Cleveland Plain Dealer which gave PROD the left cover of "communists," endorsed the wage-price controls swindle which is a leading feature of the fascist Carter platform, and haplessly echoed the Institute smear against Congress by declaring Congress "more corrupt than the IBT" (!)

Leading Teamster layers — along with their members adamantly opposed to the Carter campaign and everything it stands for — are actively considering endorsing the Labor Party's LaRouche-Evans slate, a move which would abruptly turn around the Institute offensive against their union, while giving needed encouragement to the numerous AFL-CIO and UAW officials throughout the country who prefer not to follow their national leaders in endorsing the Georgia peanut.

UAW Set to Implement Corporatism As New Contract Talks Open

The United Auto Workers (UAW) leadership will be pushing full scale implementation of corporatist labor practices — co-determination, humanization-productivity schemes, short work weeks — rather than wage increases as the central contract demands when negotiations open in Detroit on Monday, July 19, according to top union officials at Solidarity House. In so doing, the UAW is attempting to set a precedent for the massive importation of German-British Fabian social fascist labor relations into the USA, as per the Nazi Labor Front proposals which UAW head Leonard Woodcock helped draft for the fascist Carter campaign and the slave-labor National Economic planning-oriented Democratic party platform.

The upcoming contract talks — which will cover the Big Three auto companies, Agricultural Implements Divisions and Independent Motor companies involving over 800,000 workers to replace present contracts expiring on September 30 — will be markedly different from Teamsters and other recent national bargaining situations which delivered "hold-the-line" pay increases on the order of 35 per cent to union members, UAW sources indicate.

The UAW plans to make reduced working hours — which the union presents as a solution to mass unemployment of auto workers — the major demand in the contract talks according to a statement by UAW Vice president Irving Bluestone released last week. Bluestone, a fellow of Marcus Raskin's Institute for Policy Studies is also Director for the huge UAW General Motors Department. The UAW plans — as outlined in the Democratic platform — to trade substantial productivity gains to compensate the auto companies for any wage hikes or cost-of-living adjustments, other union sources added. The substance of these agreements are supposed to be kept secret from the UAW membership.

Leonard Woodcock himself first announced that co-determination would be made a priority demand in the upcoming negotiations at a press conference held in Munich, West Germany in mid-May. UAW vice president and Chrysler director Douglas Frazer then targetted the near bankrupt Chrysler Corp. for the initial implementation of corporatism. In a N.Y. Times financial page interview, he inferred that existing speedup-productivity schemes have been largely ineffective from the standpoint of changing the disastrous financial situation. Frazer proposed to save the situation by having the "UAW seek one and possibly two union officials on the Chrysler Board of Directors" during the negotiations. On the plant level, the UAW will ask for an enormously expanded "humanization" program, he said, which would replace management-hired foremen with union-hired foremen.