

Builders are desperate, with mortgage rates rising rapidly and lenders very restrictive about their commitments, according to LePage Ltd. investments and others. Already construction in June dipped 8 per cent from last year, and the research director for the Canadian Real Estate Association said he expects starts to be 20 per cent below last year, meaning widespread unemployment. Workers' rage is being directed against the contractors and other unions. Thus, the situation may become an even more violent replay of the roving goon squads (QFL) and interunion fighting of the last union slow-down/employer lockout two months ago which totally demoralized many workers.

The construction unions virtually have been destroyed already. Local 89 of the International Union of Elevator Constructors is under government trusteeship and others are submitting to government work rules. Their current show of militancy is aimed at finishing off the small contractors (for whom Rockefeller has little use). As a focus for the increasingly desperate workers, the government is helping to build these unions as militants. The Cliche Commission, investigating violence in the construction industry, already has pinpointed the QFL as the major target. And the Rockefeller press, led by Desmarais' *La Presse* (Desmarais serves on the Board of Directors of such Rockefeller companies as Brascan), has printed numbers of articles wailing over the supposed power and militancy of the unions.

Due to the declining housing starts, the lumber and plywood markets, which weakened in the first quarter, have almost disappeared, according to sources like the president of the Crown Zellerbach company, a major forest products producer. The Financial Secretary of the International Woodworkers of America laments, "The industry has practically collapsed in the province [B.C.]

and we can't see any daylight." Production already has been cut 20-40 per cent at various sites.

Rocky Assaults Forest Industry

Added to the manipulated credit squeeze is a more directed assault by Rockefeller against the forest industry, aimed at totally eliminating all inefficient companies and buying up the remaining companies. Boxcars suddenly have disappeared from service, and Rockefeller flunky David Barrett (British Columbia Premier) has called for extreme royalty rates as he eliminates the remaining tax concessions for the industry.

This was capped by the July series of strikes by British Columbia forest workers, which was deliberately lengthened by tossing out 5,000 contract ratification votes and by a "militant" caucus calling for no work before settlement. The strike bankrupted numbers of companies and has been the excuse for the numerous layoffs that followed. Already over 7,000 workers have been fired and Barrett has incorporated these companies into his northern slave labor development project. The same treatment is in store for the Ontario lumber industry, where workers' contracts are up in September.

Increasingly frantic, small businessmen are attracted to the fascist organizing of the Canadian Federation of Independent Businessmen which boasts 17,000 members. Mouthing populist rhetoric — "Decisions are made by those who control the money" — they boast, "If confrontation is necessary, we're not afraid of it." John Bulloch, organizer of the Federation, understands the ferment he is manipulating. "Small businessmen are easily radicalized because they are always angry." But they will be radicalized, if Rockefeller has his way, against the equally angry and terrified workers.

Saxbe Proposes National Gestapo

Sept. 2 (IPS) — U.S. Attorney General William Saxbe announced the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration's (LEAA) latest message to the U.S. working class at a gathering of chiefs of police convened suddenly last week. To a press conference August 27, Saxbe decried the soaring crime rate, implored the population to take responsibility for it, and threatened activation of a national gestapo [namely, the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration] if the population refused to police itself.

The national police force threat was repeated on radio broadcasts that evening, but conspicuously was dropped in the press coverage August 28. The crime rate hysteria

and the need for self-policing, however, were carried prominently by various media. Saxbe was quoted in the *New York Times* "Quotation of the Day" as follows:

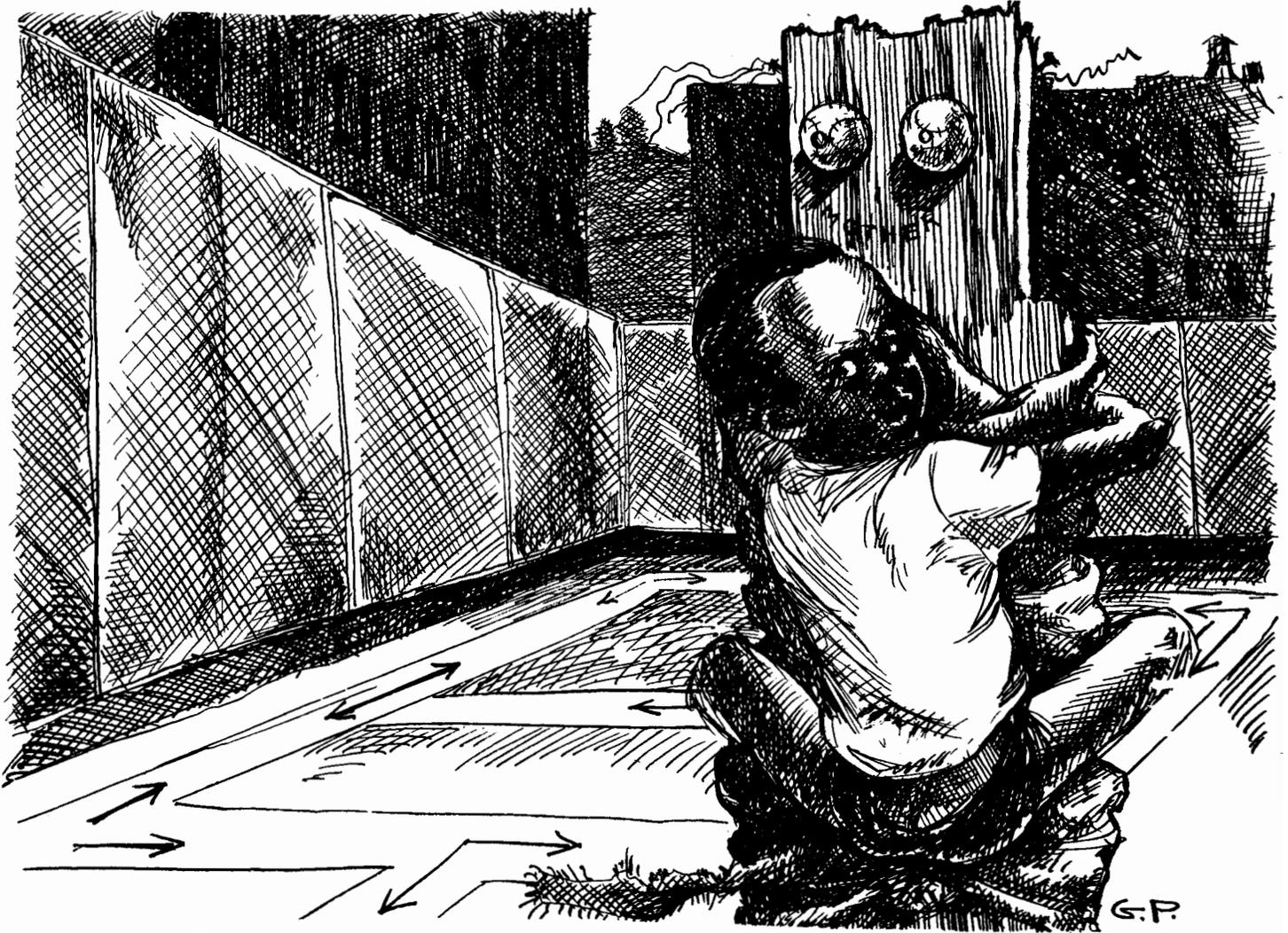
"As a people, we seem to sit like zombies while our problems spread. A major response is to demand that the police do more. Well, the police are doing about all they can. They cannot legislate morals, let alone enforce them. That can only be done by the society."

The message, clearly not written by Saxbe (in fact he read the statement from a sheet of paper and left the press conference without answering any questions), was designed to lay down the terms of the war between the working population and the LEAA: unless the working

class polices itself, the LEAA will be forced to impose stricter measures. The LEAA's favorite so-called alternative is revealed in Saxbe's statement that the only

"humanitarian" thing to do for juvenile delinquents is to put them to work. This is the Rockefeller forced-work alternative for the entire population.

Lincoln Brings Reesian Flying Squads to South Bronx



Sept. 2 (IPS) — Lincoln Hospital's notorious doctors have hit the streets of the south Bronx. Their model is the flying squads of behavior modifying psychiatrists proposed by Tavistock Institute's Dr. John Rawlings Rees in his book *The Shaping of Psychiatry By War*. Lincoln is now sending psychologists and other mental health professionals into the community to zombify large portions of New York City's ghetto. Last spring, the United States Labor Party exposed Lincoln Hospital Detoxification Center as the breeding and training ground for the terrorist Black Liberation Army.

An example of Lincoln's attempts to establish a "therapeutic community" in the area are the activities of Dr. Edward Eismann. Eismann is gathering youths of all ages for group psychotherapy sessions on their own

school grounds. Dr. Eismann admits, "It is a substitute family where the kids can get from each other what they are missing at home." What Eismann is banking on is that the young, fatherless youth will be just as vulnerable to Lincoln's belief structures of nationalism and local control as the pathetic addicts victimized in the Lincoln Detox Center.

While Lincoln's Community Mental Health Center redeploys staff to hit increasing portions of the population, the South Bronx counterinsurgent poverty apparatus, including Councilman Ramon Velez and District Attorney Mario Merola, are involved in a dispute around the brutality of the guards at Lincoln. This dispute is nothing but a cover for the real activity of the Hospital — brainwashing.