

Today old left-winger Herbert Wehner, the SPD's parliamentary fraction leader, hurried to be of service to Rockefeller when he discovered that some Social Democratic youth had joined with Communists against the notorious Nazi Strauss. "Those who belong to the SPD," announced Wehner, "must remove their signatures [from the petition] by noon tomorrow or lose their membership in the party."

IS NAVAL HOSPITAL BRAINWASHING MILLS?

Dec. 13 (IPS)--A spokesman for the Bethesda Naval Hospital, interviewed last week by IPS, would not deny that Congressman Wilbur Mills is being held there against his will. There is every indication that Mills is being subjected to brainwashing.

Ensign Brown of the hospital's Public Affairs Office informed IPS that the "Naval Department would take offense" at questions about Mills' treatment. But he would deny neither that Mills is being held a prisoner there nor that behavior modification was being performed on the once powerful Congressman. Bethesda Hospital is known to have capabilities for such behavior modification.

It appears that Mills is under intense psychiatric care. The chairman of the hospital's department of psychiatry, Capt. Victor Holm, would neither confirm nor deny to IPS that he is in fact caring for Mills, but stated that he would be responsible if such psychiatric care were being given. According to staff members at the hospital, Dr. W. R. Davis, who has the psychiatric night watch, is responsible for making any decisions on the Mills case that become necessary during the night.

When IPS asked Congressman Mills' chief aide Gene Goss whether Mills was being held against his will at the Bethesda hospital, Goss answered in a frightened voice, "I don't know." Goss then asked, "Did Capt. Holm tell you that Mr. Mills is his patient?" When told about Holm's cryptic response to IPS' questions, Goss refused to say anything further.

A Little Help from His Friends

Following a series of increasingly ugly attacks against him by the Rockefeller-controlled media for his suddenly developed pattern of strange and foolish behavior, Mills was convinced by other congressmen to enter the hospital last week. There he was reportedly placed under heavy sedation, even though the nature of his illness was never explained to the public. After Mills spent a week in the hospital, the media announced that Mills had decided to relinquish his post as chairman of the powerful House Ways and Means Committee.

Congressman Waggoner of Louisiana went into the hospital to extract this decision from Mills. He told the press that he had brought an unnamed friend of Mills along with him "so that it wouldn't look as if I was putting pressure on him." Mills' decision to quit must be taken on faith, since it was Waggoner who reported it to the press and Mills was never seen publicly. Meanwhile the Ways and Means Committee, formerly a bastion of old-line politicians like Mills himself, was purged by Rockefeller's Congressional reformers.

WOODCOCK PLEADS GUILTY, DEMANDS CARTELIZATION

CHICAGO, Dec. 11 (IPS)--Leonard Woodcock, head of the United Auto Workers, yesterday pleaded guilty to being a Rockefeller agent in a speech before David Rockefeller's Council on Foreign Relations here.

CFR member Woodcock bluntly endorsed the Rockefeller's fascist cartelization of world resources: "No nation acting alone can control inflation because the roots of the problem lie in the comparative scarcity of raw materials....The UAW supports all proposals to set up worldwide agricultural and mineral stockpiles to stabilize commodity prices and to apportion shares on principles of international equity....Developing countries are demanding and will establish controls over their own resources," Woodcock read from his Rockefeller script, "and we must learn to live with this."

Industrial workers are not only going to share the poverty with their starving brothers in the underdeveloped sector, according to Woodcock. He went on to advocate multinational bargaining between unions and multinational firms, a "good trade union demand" that opens the door to supranational control over the forced relocation of these workers to Third World slave-labor projects. "In line with the way production and marketing across frontiers have lumped whole regions together," Woodcock intoned, "workers on multinational payrolls have established co-extensive structures, i.e., the International Metalworkers Federation with headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland....The aim is to lay the foundations for multinational bargaining."

IPS reporters present were excluded from the carefully stage-managed question and answer period. UAW goon Lavon De Witt warned, "I just came to tell you that I've got some boys here--they've got you spotted."