

LABOR PARTY WRECKS SAN FRANCISCO CETA MEETING

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 13 (IPS)--Labor Party organizers broke up a meeting of more than 160 officials of the Department of Labor Manpower Administration here today. The officials from 14 Western states had been summoned to discuss the current "emergency" situation facing the collapsing Comprehensive Training and Employment Act (CETA) recycling apparatus.

One Labor Party spokesman seized the microphone and announced to the terrified slave-herders: "We're from the Labor Party.... This meeting will not be allowed to continue....You are planning to administer slave labor programs like the Nazi Labor Boards." The spokesman continued his briefing while another Labor Party organizer sold New Solidarity to the rattled participants.

The chairman finally summoned enough courage to announce a five-minute recess, pleading, "anyone who wants to leave should please do so." Most stayed, however, to try to defend themselves: "I'm not a slave-herder, you know....I don't really understand these programs."

One hysterical CETA staff member begged the organizers, "Couldn't we please begin our meeting." He was told that he couldn't.

The chairman called the police to evict the Labor Party. The two organizers, one a 15-year-old student, were escorted from the hall. It is not known whether the meeting resumed.

ROCKY'S SPEEDUP KING OVERCOME BY CRISIS

Jan. 13 (IPS)--The uncontrollable economic collapse and the flatulent response of bankers to the crisis have taken their toll on Rockefeller's hard-working trusty academics. When a New Solidarity International Press Service reporter called Harvard economist and speedup specialist John Dunlop today, he totally lost his cool. Dunlop is the head of the President's Labor-Management Committee, acting chairman--until Rocky takes the reins--of the National Commission on Productivity and the recently appointed overseer of the failing Alaska Pipeline project.

IPS asked for Dunlop's opinion on the New York Times' latest suggestion for working-class self-policing: that the British-style corporatist social contract should be instituted in the United States. He responded with an immediate stream of denunciation: "It's utter and complete nonsense, nonsense, you hear, nonsense. It shows absolutely no understanding of the process of wage-setting in this country. This is not Scandinavia; this is not Britain. What works there will not work here. It's ridiculous."

When IPS pressed him on what he thought would work to stem the rising working-class ferment in evidence around unemployment and economic breakdown, Dunlop went right into a psychotic reaction formation: "What do you mean, anyway, working-class ferment! Why just the other day, Lloyd Ullman [top productivity pusher for the Ford Foundation] wrote in the Berkeley Journal of Industrial Relations that there is no such ferment in this country, that there never will be. We don't have anything to worry about; I tell you, we don't."

But in the next minute Dunlop flip-flopped back to reality: "In a social contract, workers agree to keep wages down in exchange for something they get from the other side. But now, in this country, neither side can deliver, will deliver on that," he muttered.

At that, Dunlop hung up, painfully aware that Rockefeller is counting on him and his colleagues to deliver the impossible package that will convince workers to quietly cut their own throats.

VEEP ROCKY WRITES HIS OWN OFFICIAL ORDERS

Jan. 13 (IPS)--Added to the ever increasing evidence that Nelson Rockefeller is running the U.S. government as a satrapy of his supranational apparatus is yesterday's revelation by columnists Evans and Novak that Rockefeller himself drafted the executive order that makes him the effective head of the Domestic Council.

The Domestic Council is composed of the heads of the Departments of Defense, Labor, Interior, Commerce, Agriculture, Transportation, HUD, HEW, and heads of several agencies including the Federal Energy Administration. The Council is slated to serve as Rockefeller's "war cabinet," the body which will oversee the U.S. sector of his supranational operations.

Rockefeller himself will control the staffing of the Council. He has so far appointed two former aides from his New York State governor's staff to head key administrative posts.

Rockefeller's determination to assume personal dictatorship of the United States is further underlined by the Evans and Novak report that in order to save face for the puppet President, Ford's aides had to make a change in Rocky's original draft of the executive order. It seems that Rocky had given himself the power to convene meetings of the so-called President's Domestic Council without the President's approval. The aides ensured that Ford will be permitted to announce the time of the meetings.