

Seattle Police Bust Terror Ring; Climate Set To Dismantle IPS

June 23 (NSIPS) — Early last Sunday evening, Seattle police raided a basement apartment at 1215 Spring Street and arrested three leading members of the Institute for Policy Studies Pacific Northwest terrorist networks. Police found Paul Zinsel, Craig Parket and Helene Ellenbogen sitting in a living room surrounded by a variety of handguns, rifles, equipment for building incendiary devices, wigs and how-to-do-it books on guerilla warfare, lock-picking and weapons maintenance. A further search of the premises turned up a typewritten note related to the January, 1976 George Jackson Brigade robbery of a bank in Tukwila, Wash. and what police described as intelligence reports on the U.S. Labor Party which had some "very nasty things to say."

Commenting on the raid from his Seattle campaign headquarters, USLP Senatorial candidate Will Wertz praised the police action:

"Two features of this raid bear the immediate attention of every honest police official in this country, particularly those officials who are sitting on top of one or another piece of the Marcus Raskin-run "left-right" terrorist apparatus. First, and Law Enforcement Assistance Administration elements in the Seattle Police Department, operating off of evidence provided by the U.S. Labor Party were able to efficiently succeed in corralling a major I.P.S. terrorist ring — an operation that the combined forces of the FBI, the ATF and the Justice Department's Organized Crime Task Force have been unable to accomplish in years. Second, the political climate created by the U.S. Labor Party's exposure of the Rockefeller—Raskin Bicentennial terrorist conspiracy, including the planned activation of a nuclear "Pearl Harbor" attack or assassination attempt against President Ford as two principal contingencies, is such that any police officials who move openly against the terrorists can bank on the support of the vast majority of the working people in this country.

"In both these regards, the actions of the Seattle police are not merely commendable, but represent an exemplary action that must be picked up by officials throughout the country before July Fourth as the only guarantee that Rockefeller, Kissinger and Raskin are prevented from activating their nuclear terrorist designs."

Grand Jury Subpoenas

At this point no specific charges have been formulated against the Institute trio, pending further investigation. However, on June 21, Zinsel, Parker and Ellenbogen were handed subpoenas to appear before a federal Grand Jury investigating the activities of the George Jackson Brigade, a recent spinoff of the Weathermen, and the Revolutionary

Union (RU), responsible for at least two murders, a dozen bombings and one prison break in the past year. Failure to appear before the Grand Jury or failure to cooperate with the U.S. Attorney Stanley Pitkin would result in immediate jailing for the duration of the hearings — eighteen months.

These developments are particularly critical in the case of Zinsel. The fifty-year-old former physics professor from Cleveland's Case Western University and the current owner of the Left Bank Bookstore in Seattle has been repeatedly identified by the USLP as the top Institute "agent in place" controlling the deployments of terrorist gangs in the region. Following an October, 1975 conference between Zinsel and Counter Spy operative Tim Butz and a subsequent six-month campaign of violent disruptions by Zinsel's network of Labor Party campaign activities, a conspiracy suit was filed in Washington State Court naming Zinsel, Butz and Marcus Raskin as leaders of a conspiracy against the USLP.

The police confiscation of reports on the Labor Party adds significant new weight to the charges of conspiracy.

Levi Recharges Fading Scenario

Damaged by the impact of the Labor Party's Raskin exposé, the Rockefeller crowd has nonetheless maintained its commitment to a massive terrorist deployment beginning with the early July conjuncture of the Bicentennial, the Democratic Convention and the Montreal Olympics. Fueling the principally targetted Philadelphia Bicentennial affair where President Ford is scheduled to speak and where the terrorist RU, Weathermen and agent-controlled Puerto Rican Socialist Party all plan major disruptions, Attorney General Edward Levi yesterday announced that there would be no federal troops brought in. Levi's official rejection of the request delivered to President Ford by Philadelphia Mayor Rizzo following USLP briefings on the Rockefeller—Institute insurrectionary drive was an open invitation to bloodshed: "There would have to be pitched warfare in the streets of Philadelphia before troops would be called in." Brazenly citing the very provisions which Levi's LEAA National Gestapo section of the conspiracy violates, Levi justified the refusal saying that "Congress has created a law, and that law says that we cannot have a national police force of any form."

Simultaneous to the Justice Department announcement, the FBI issued its estimates on the Philadelphia disruption — an expected turnout of close to 12,000 demonstrators. The Revolutionary Union, tagged by the FBI report as the most likely source of violence, issued a leaflet announcing that their demonstration (still denied a permit by Mayor Rizzo) would be held directly in the middle of the official Bicentennial celebration grounds.