

Mendoza of the *Chabineros* moved into Allende's government.

The Bloody End

By the beginning of September, nobody could deny the imminence of a coup. Large sections of the middle class had joined the truckers in an effort to shut down the economy. Daily rightwing demonstrations, led by *Patria y Libertad*, demanded Allende's resignation. Thieme and Rodriguez, the leaders of *Patria y Libertad*, surfaced in reactionary districts of Santiago to fan the frenzy of the petit bourgeoisie. September 2 the Navy staged a

large-scale raid on factories and working-class neighborhoods of Valparaiso on the pretext of intervening in left/right student clashes. The *Movimiento Izquierda Revolucionario* (MIR), loyal leftwing opposition to the UP, disclosed detailed plans for the coup. September 10 the MIR finally broke with the UP, and that night more than 100 military officers considered sympathetic to Allende were assassinated. Another 2000 were rounded up and arrested. Hours later the military made its long-awaited, well-planned move.

BRITISH SELF-POLICING

May 24 (IPS) — According to a report in the *Toronto Globe and Mail*, 23,000 persons between the ages of 12 and 80 were voluntarily fingerprinted in Leeds, England, a Midlands town in the heart of the industrial belt. Meanwhile, police searched for the murderer of an 80-year-old shopkeeper.

The story was not reported in the British press.

BRITISH WAGES TOO HIGH FOR FORD: HE PREFERS BRAZIL

May 24 (IPS)— At a press conference in Stockholm, Henry Ford II declared that Brazil offers the best possibilities for expansion. "It is a market which will become enormous: It is developing at a rhythm of 15-20 per cent a year and we will be making important investments there. We will be exporting considerable quantities of motors and components from Brazil to Europe and from Europe to the U.S."

Ford added that although they have intentions of investing in other European countries, notably Spain, they will not be making more investments in Great Britain because of the labor situation there (*Le Nouveau Journal*, May 21).

"BRITISHIZE?"

May 23 (IPS)— Radio France-Inter reports that Interim President Alain Poher and defeated Socialist Party candidate Francois Mitterrand are scheduled to have a lengthy talk tomorrow to "discuss the opposition's status." The idea, according to the report, originates with newly elected President Giscard d'Estaing, who wants to "britishize" the relations between the opposition and the majority.

POWELL MOVES TOWARD POWER; BRITISH PRESS ROOTING FOR HIM

May 24 (IPS)— With the possibility of a June election in Great Britain, Enoch Powell is moving fast toward a Schmidt-Giscard-Powell axis in Europe— with Rockefeller pulling the strings. Powell's dream is to "bury the hatchet" (preferably in Heath's back) and emerge as leader of the Tory party.

In a recent speech to the Conservative Trident Club, he delineated the five issues on which his views had been vindicated: the Common Market, the floating of the pound, immigration, incomes policy, and defense policy. His views on the European Economic Community indicate clearly how he will fit into the Rockefeller game-plan. Powell stated: "Economic and monetary union has long since ceased to be even a bad joke." The *London Express* made the obvious connection: "On the Common Market, Mr. Powell is most certainly not 'totally defeated' as underlined by West Germany's new Chancellor Helmut Schmidt's shattering denunciation of the 'incompetent European Community'."

The Conservative Party is reacting coolly to Powell's overtures, while the press offers open support. Says the *Express*: "The truth, although unacceptable to many, is that the return of Powell would do much more than heal divisions in the Tory Party. It would galvanise the whole political scene." The *London Times* suggests that "some adventurous constituency" should give Powell a chance.