

While set up under HUD requirements to provide "community participation" on matters of housing, schools, etc., the Birmingham apparatus will interface with other citywide slave labor institutions to create an integrated Judenrat system. Most importantly, according to an official at the Birmingham Department of Community Development, it is intended that the local Comprehensive Employment and Training Act (CETA) group known as the Manpower Planning Consortium will use the HUD apparatus to get neighborhood participation in the planning of slave labor programs.

It is also likely that the HUD neighborhood apparatus will be used to develop Law Enforcement Assistance Administration programs. According to Jesse Stewart, a Birmingham long-standing poverty pimp, once the neighborhood committees are set up, "the people of each neighborhood will be forced to be responsible for the crime rate."

Prior to the elections for the neighborhood committees, counterinsurgents from Operation New Birmingham went throughout the city asking people what neighborhood they live in and where their neighborhood ends and another begins. In this way, the parochial tendencies of the population were reinforced, and the neighborhood committee boundaries were drawn on the basis of a map of the neurotic fears of the population.

Existing neighborhood organizations, such as black civic groups, white ethnic groups, local community associations, are expected to provide the backbone of the neighborhood committees.

#### UAW'S BLUESTONE ASKS WORKERS TO SACRIFICE FOR SUB PAY

TORONTO, Nov. 25 (IPS)--At a closed meeting here of the United Auto Workers General Motors Council Nov. 21, Council head UAW Vice President Irving Bluestone put forward an Executive Board proposal to divert up to 10 cents per hour in negotiated wage and cost of living increases into the GM Supplemental Unemployment Benefit (SUB) fund. GM SUB pay, according to Bluestone, is "in a crisis" due to mounting extended layoffs.

Bluestone asked the 500 Canadian and U.S. Council members to "sound out" their rank and file on the idea. "It is morally and economically right," he claimed. "We have to ask workers to sacrifice, not only for workers already laid off, but for those still employed who may be idled in the future."

Bluestone is doing nothing less than calling for the Brazilianization of the American working class. The first step in the devastating recycling of the Brazilian working class was based on the notorious PIN program whereby workers set aside part of their wages for expected layoffs and other misfortunes.

However, in order to collect, workers had to maintain a good behavior record and remain on the job for a specified amount of time. Workers were laid off and recycled more quickly than the law stipulated they could receive their SUB pay. Thousands of such recycled workers have already died in the Triage Centers in the Amazon.

This process has already begun in the United States. Steel workers who are now being laid off cannot collect SUB pay since they are allegedly being laid off because of a union strike--the Jay Rockefeller-directed UMW coal strike.

It is expected that when UAW bureaucrats sound them out on the Bluestone proposal for self-sacrifice, the auto workers' reaction will not be positive.

#### U.S. STEEL HOLDS RITUAL LAYOFF BRIEFING

FAIRLESS HILLS, Penna., Nov. 25 (IPS)--Management at the 9,000-man U.S. Steel plant here called a meeting last week to inform workers of the waves of layoffs expected "due to the effects of the coal strike." Workers were told that increasing layoffs were scheduled for the plant.

Several days after being told they might lose their jobs, workers at the Fairless Hills plant were infuriated to learn from a local newspaper that not one piece of coking coal for the plant comes from U.S. mines; the total supply is imported--primarily from Venezuela, with smaller amounts from West Germany.

#### ROCKY'S DOUBLE DEAL

Nov. 25 (IPS)--The Senate Rules Committee voted unanimously (9 to 0) in favor of Nelson Rockefeller's confirmation as Vice President last Friday, Nov. 22.

High Congressional Democratic sources informed IPS that this confirmation was the result of a deal made between Ford and the Democrats. In exchange for speedy confirmation of Rocky, Ford agreed to support the Democrats' social fascist legislative package, now in Congress. Rocky wins on both counts.