against Rockefeller plans for midday takeover in Europe in 1974. The occasion was the second international conference of the ELC, co-thinker organization of the U.S. National Caucus of Labor Committees (NCLC).

Labor Committee leaders from the BRD, Italy and the United States addressed the conference. The main presentations were:

- (1) A United Front against Rockefeller's Nazi Plans;
- (2) Reconstructing the World Economy: the Concept of Expanded Socialist Reproduction;
- (3) Operation Nuremburg against Rockefeller's Nazi Doctors;
- (4) The North American Unemployed and Welfare Rights Organization and the Revolutionary Youth Movement: Kernel of the Mass Strike in North America.

Following these presentations a daylong internal conference was held.

Socialists Discuss Working-Class Organizing

Each panel discussion focused on the organizing tasks of the ELC. The first emphasized the method by which the ELC must bring the massive working-class parties of Europe—the Communist Parties and the SPD—into a united front against Rockefeller. The critical task is forging an *international* working-class force capable of battling the international forces of the Rockefeller faction of the bourgeoisie. Such a defensive united front against Rockefeller's plans for destroying the European Economic Community (Common Market) and cannibalizing Europe to maintain his paper empire is the necessary step toward creating the conditions for socialist revolution in Europe.

The directions of research required to develop the socialist economic program to reverse the accelerating process of devastating capitalist decay were outlined in the second panel. Within the context of the world reconstruction program already put forth by the NCLC, ELC members will determine how existing plant and equipment and skilled labor can be used to provide food, education, housing, energy and machinery necessary to upgrade rapidly European and world living standards. Involving workers in developing such programs and organizing around major programmatic necessities, like the Labor Committee's International Food Program and fusion power, are the essential complementary thrusts to the united front campaign.

The third panel sounded the initial blast in the ELC's Operation Nuremburg, the international campaign to put out of business and bring to trial all perpetrators of Crimes against Humanity, as defined in the postwar Nuremburg trials of Nazi criminals. All three presentations highlighted the role in the class struggle of the Rockefeller faction's "experts" in psychological warfare and behavior modification (brainwashing), along with electro-convulsive shock, psychopharmacology, psychosurgery and other techniques to render their victims passive creatures ready to march into the slave-labor camps. The Operation Nuremburg campaign will be conducted through task forces in all countries and a European Independent Commission of Inquiry into the CIA-MI5 (British Intelligence) brainwashing of Labor Committee members Christopher White and William Engdahl.

The fourth panel reviewed the role of the deliberate intervention of the NCLC, through the North American Unemployed and Welfare Rights Organization (NUWRO) and the Revolutionary Youth Movement (RYM) in leading the North American working class to the edge of political mass strike outbreak. Conference participants were confronted directly with consideration of how the ELC must create the mass strike process throughout Western Europe through a similar organizing perspective.

ELC Mass Work

Following the conference, the ELC, which has jumped from 80 members to 300 since June 1973, immediately initiated mass work within the general working-class population. Two issues of *Neue Solidan:aet*, the German-language newspaper of the ELC, have already been distributed at factories, railroad stations, universities and high schools throughout the BRD, with strongly positive reception. The first issue of the Italian-language edition, *Nuova Solidarita*, appeared the last week of April. Newspapers in other languages are slated for publication as soon as possible, probably within the next two months.

CIA Agitates for Trucker Chaos; Military Prepared to Take Control

May 9 (IPS) — Contrary to statements made by director William Usery, Jr. in late April, both the Washington Post and the Journal of Commerce reported yesterday that the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS) has done nothing to avert the national truckers strike scheduled for May 13.

In a speech at Babson College, Usery warned of the threatened shutdown and stated that "We are working very hard to prevent that from happening." Usery claimed, however, that the trucker situation presented a problem in mediation, since the other "side" is "a set of circumstances — the short supply and high price of fuel." Yet, the FMCS reportedly has made no attempts even to contact Mike Parkhurst, editor of *Overdrive* magazine, nationally recognized organizer of the May 13 strike. Usery merely remarked that "we are always willing to talk to him."

Parkhurst's Chile

Parkhurst and other *Overdrive* associates have made it clear that the aim of this strike is to cut off food supplies entirely (focussing on Parkhurst areas of strength in the Florida and West Coast produce centers) to force the government to meet trucker demands. Parkhurst compares this power play to the Chilean trucker strike of last summer and early fall which triggered the CIA's military coup against the Allende government. He has been agitating for this May 13 "final shutdown" since the "sell-out" settlement following the February strike, through barnstorming tours of the country and intense factional polemics waged in *Overdrive* against all other trucker organizations.

Meanwhile, Parkhurst's principal factional opponent Bill Hill, head of FASH (Fraternal Association of Steel Haulers) and an organizer of the trucker Unity Committee, is stepping forward as the spokesman for the many independent truckers who oppose Parkhurst's strike call and methods of organizing. Overdrive and FASH function as complementary countergang formations within the trucker population, intended to cover both sides of the manipulated dispute for CIA fascist organizing.

FASH was founded in 1967 with Parkhurst's financial support as a rival to the Teamsters union, and is linked to the CIA-connected Saul Alinsky counter-insurgency network in Chicago. Although Hill claims to be organizing against the May 13 strike, it is likely that he will go out if Parkhurst succeeds in triggering a shutdown

Provoking Strike Action

Increased provocations during the past week are designed to goad truckers toward a strike which many oppose and fear. Prices for diesel fuel have been raised in at least four major areas. Exxon — prime target in Overdrive attacks on oil company profiteers — recently instituted a 3-cent rise nationwide. State police in Maryland are reportedly stopping trucks to check licensing of citizen band radios — most of which are not licensed — and confiscating unlicensed radios on the spot. At the same time, trucking companies are pressing court action to invalidate the settlement made with independents following the February shutdown.

The failure of Usery and the FMCS, or any other governmental agency to openly and actively work to head off what is clearly recognized as a potentially dangerous situation, is further proof of *New Solidarity's* analysis of the May 13 strike as a deliberate move in a Rockefeller/CIA strategy for a planned military takeover in the U.S. and Canada.

The role of the truckers strike is to create the conditions of "civil emergency" — through a massive disruption of transport of food and industrial materials, and resulting widespread layoffs — which provide the rationale for implementation of the Office of Preparedness "Draft Plan in Response to Truck Stoppage." This "Draft Plan" (excerpts of which appear below) is a detailed outline of Rockefeller/CIA military intervention plans.

SCHULTZ TO JOIN BECHTEL, CIA FIRM LINKED TO SABOTAGE

May 9 (IPS) — Former Secretary of the Treasury George Schultz announced today that he plans to join the Bechtel Corporation in an executive position. Bechtel, which has close ties to the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), has been linked to several recent suspicious acts of industrial sabotage, documented by the IPS Intelligence Staff.

John A. McCone, former CIA head, has been active in Bechtel since the 1930's. Other Bechtel staff moved in and out of government positions, chiefly in the CIA and the Atomic Energy Commission (which McCone headed in 1955).

IPS recently uncovered direct links between Bechtel and Lord Rothschild. The Rothschild family bank has controlling interests in Rio Tinto Zinc, which awards many contracts to Bechtel — including the James Bay, Canada hydroelectric project, scene of company sabotage in March 1974.

Explosives: The Rothschild-Bechtel Common Interest

Rothschild's Bechtel connections are particularly interesting in view of the three recent industrial

explosions involving Bechtel. During World War II as a British Intelligence MI5 agent, Rothschild specialized in diffusing enemy explosives; and he personally trained Allied officers in this specialty. Decorated by both the British and American governments, Rothschild earned President Truman's praise as "one of the world's greatest experts in counter-espionage." Since then, Rothschild has continued his service to the capitalist class by heading up the international research and development department of Rockefeller's Royal Dutch-Shell Company.

Background on Bechtel

Bechtel Corporation specializes in massive construction projects requiring relocation of workers to work camps, often segregating workers by nationality.

- 10,000 workers are about to start work for Bechtel on the massive trans-Alaskan pipeline.
- During World War II, the company staffed defensesupported operations in Alaska, the Philippines, and Bahrain with construction crews building air fields and ammunition dumps.
- At Rockefeller's invitation, Bechtel built more than 50 per cent of all Mideast facilities required to produce oil, making Bechtel the largest engineer-constructor of oil, transportation and processing facilities in the Arab states.
- In the 1950's, Bechtel moved into the hegemonic position for work on power plants, first steam generating facilities and later nuclear power plants.
- By 1969, Bechtel had completed or was then at work on 27 nuclear-fueled generating units.

Interested journalists should contact us for more information and further research leads on Bechtel and its career as the industrial arm of Rockefeller's countergovernment forces.

LEAA HEARINGS

May 5 (IPS) — Labor Committee efforts to convince other city councils to conduct hearings on the LEAA are producing results.

- Mayor Bliley of Richmond, Virginia invited Labor Committee spokesmen to address the City Council May 12 on the LEAA's role in Richmond.
- In Buffalo, City Councilman Horace Johnson and the Labor Committees prepared a resolution calling for an investigation of the LEAA which was filed with the City Council May 3.
- In New Jersey, Camden City Council President Rini asked the Philadelphia Labor Committee to offer evidence of LEAA crimes at the May 9 City Council meeting.
- In Gastonia, North Carolina, workers who led the recent sanitation strike there are co-sponsoring a forum on the LEAA May 11.

O'NEILL TO SUBPOENA LEAA PRINCIPALS FOR BOSTON HEARINGS

May 1 — A special City Council investigation of CIA subversion of U.S. police departments initiated by City Councilman Dapper O'Neill and featuring detailed testimony by the Labor Committees 'was temporarily