

a new humanism, a new philosophy of life, a renewal of esthetic, spiritual, moral, philosophical, ecological values....I'm on the whole optimistic because I've seen some glimmerings of progress in man's awareness of the situation....We need better men and women....in order to make sacrifices....If people in the future are not better than you and me it will be impossible to make the necessary sacrifices."

STRATEGIC BOMBER FUELS NORTHWEST ENERGY CRISIS

PORTLAND, ORE., Oct. 21 (IPS)--A strategic bomber, "trained by the government" according to one official, is knocking out high voltage transmission towers throughout Oregon as part of the Rockefeller-coordinated energy crisis. Since late September, 11 towers in the Portland area have been dynamited, and the Bonneville Power Administration which operates the power system has been the object of extortion demands by the bomber.

The bombings already have led to predictions of a blackout similar to the 1965 Northeast blackout, and the 400,000 residents of Portland have been asked to recall last winter's power shortage and prepare themselves accordingly. The call up of Oregon's National Guard is being considered, and rumors are spreading about massive search and seal operations in the areas surrounding key power lines, as attempts to catch the bomber fail. Plans also are being discussed to implement one of Rockefeller's "critical choices" alternating electricity between residential and commercial use--on for eight hours and off for sixteen.

There is evidence that this power sabotage is being executed as part of Rockefeller's psychological campaign using the energy crisis against workers internationally--softening them up to accept unemployment, cuts in consumption, and the use of the military to control the situation. Donald Hodel, the administrator of the Bonneville Power Administration, which operates Columbia River hydroelectric dams and supplies much of the region's power, has indicated that the "people who did this had to have been trained by the government."

In addition, the selection of the Oregon region and the specific bombing targets reflects an understanding of the dependence of the Northwest region on hydroelectric power sources and knowledge of the area's exact electrical power grid. Ninety per cent of the Northwest's electrical power comes from hydroelectric rather than coal, oil, or other power sources.

The bombings represent a potential elimination of all hydroelectric supplies. Combined with the threatened Federal Power Commission curtailment by 38 per cent of natural gas supplies and a threatened cut-off of Canadian natural gas supplies, this means a virtual shutdown of all industry. The pulp and paper industry, the prime victim, already has had 35 per cent of its workforce laid off since last July.

Psywar Scare

The bomber, who identifies himself as "J. Hawker" (the Jayhawkers of the 1860s were an anti-slave guerilla group operating in Kansas during the Civil War), has provided the next scare rumor by daring the government with: "We doubt that you have the authority or even the means of closing the roads within walking distance of all your power lines to any or all innocent sightseers or hunters." It is no coincidence that the crack 82nd Airborne Division from Fort Benning, Georgia, who are trained in "Domestic Control" counterinsurgency operations, have been stationed in Fort Lewis, Washington to oversee the training of the Ninth Division of the Sixth Army.

This latest episode in terror is not new to the working class of the Northwest. Earlier this summer the Special Forces unit of the Green Berets parachuted into the town of McMinnville, Oregon (near Portland) posing as the McMinnville Liberation Army, occupying a radio station and giving orders to the civilian population.

UNITED FRONT ORGANIZING ADVANCES IN EUROPE

ROTTERDAM, Oct. 22 (IPS)--Marcello Zoccali, leader of the Unity for Socialism faction of the Italian Socialist Party (PSI), today exposed to Dutch leftists and journalists the cowardly refusal of the PSI and the Italian Communist Party (PCI) to lift a finger to stop the recent Bellagio, Italy secret conference of Rockefeller's fascist Trilateral Commission. Zoccali, flanked by Ulf Sandmark of the Swedish Social Democratic Labor Party, Karl-Heinz Holz of the West German Social Democratic Party (SPD), and members of the European Labor Committees (ELC), spoke at a press conference called here today to initiate programmatic united front organizing among Dutch socialists and trade unionists.

"The Trilateral Commission is one of Rockefeller's primary organizing tools to crush the world working class in the depression," Zoccali stated, "and they met in Bellagio to plan their next moves--the new oil crisis, the war in the Mideast, and slave labor projects. The ELC and members of the United Front informed the PCI and its daily organ Unita of what was going on and urged them to denounce the Trilateral meeting, but they chose to play the ostrich with a reaction of apparent indifference. The biggest working class machine of the Western world capitulated to the enemy."

Zoccali's attack on the treachery of the PCI leadership came as European public opinion focused increasingly on the activity of the United Front and the European-wide organizing push that Zoccali, Sandmark, Holz and their co-thinkers, along with the ELC, are bringing to the Netherlands after visits to Sweden and Denmark.