Carter-Mondale Begin Final Solution To Dollar Crisis: Slave Labor, NERA

The Carter-Mondale Administration has begun its "final solution" to the dollar crisis with an undisguised looting spree against the U.S. working class.

Using the preplanned July 13 New York City blackoutcum-crime outbreak as a backdrop and egged on by staged demands for action from such liberal critics as Vernon Jordan, head of the National Urban League, the Administration is setting up a complete package of Nazi labor programs. The key components of this final solution include: the elimination of unemployment insurance and welfare by forcing recipients of these programs to take slave-labor jobs: a vast increase in the size and range of low-paying, menial public works and public service projects; and the revival of the "Boxcar Bill" National Emergency Relocation Administration (NERA) "Boxcar Bill" that would ship masses of jobless workers from one place to another.

This particularly odious proposal originated three years ago with Walter Mondale.

Labor Secretary Ray Marshall quietly announced the cutting edge of the Administration's slave-labor push last week: workers in 37 states now receiving extended unemployment benefits are to lose them *immediately* because of a supposed increase in the employment rate. This means that 218,000 jobless workers in such notoriously high-unemployment states as Ohio — many with no other source of income — will be dropped, while millions of others now running through their regular benefits will soon face the same fate.

Marshall also signaled the Administration's intention to do away with the unemployment program altogether: he announced a new federal regulation specifying that

Mondale, Humphrey Lead The Way To Fascism

Senator Hubert Humphrey and his protégé Walter Mondale are taking the lead in the New York banks' renewed drive to impose a "final solution" to the dollar collapse. Over the past forty-eight hours, the neo-Fabian duo has taken to the hustings with calls for "helping" the poor and unemployed by creating millions of new slave-labor jobs and by establishing a grossly-misnomered "National Development Bank" to pay for those jobs out of workers' pensions and other savings.

Humphrey — the dean of the country's New Deal social fascists - was the star speaker at Joint Economic Committee hearings July 28 called to plot strategy for getting the National Development Bank off the drawing boards. Backing up his demands for a "Marshall plan for the cities," Humphrey demagogically attacked the "big banks" for neglecting the cities and warned that unless his plan - itself a Wall Street-concocted scheme for bailing out the "big banks" - was adopted, a 1929-type economic collapse will soon ensue. Humphrey also issued a statement endorsing National Urban League head Vernon Jordan's criticisms of Carter, charging that Carter has "missed the boat" by failing to move rapidly enough down the road of fascist economic policy.

The day before, Humphrey's sidekick, Fritz Mondale, elaborated the aims of the National Development Board proposal: in a speech to the National Association of Counties in Detroit, Mondale vowed that the Administration "is committed" to reforming the welfare system and providing "fiscal relief" to municipal governments, principally by putting one million welfare recipients into slave-labor jobs.

While Humphrey and Mondale were on the stump, HEW Secretary Califano revealed the Administration's strategy for getting its fascist labor and economic package through. Speaking before the National Urban League convention in Washington, Califano told the audience that the Administration fully supported their demands for more public-service jobs. Instead of criticizing Carter, Califano directed the delegates, you should vent your rage on Congress. "You must speak to the Congress... if you want to get your rights enforced. We cannot do this alone," Califano said.

Califano's invitation was taken up immediately by Jordan, who told the convention that the League and its allies would soon initiate a major lobbying campaign to pressure Congress into acceeding to the Administration's slave-labor policies.

The Humphrey and Mondale have stepped "up front" on the issue, in the atmosphere created by Jordan last week, indicates that the distinctive "Fabian" faction which they represent is leaving its options for a "Cartergate" (to put Mr. Mondale in the driver's seat) wide open at this time.