

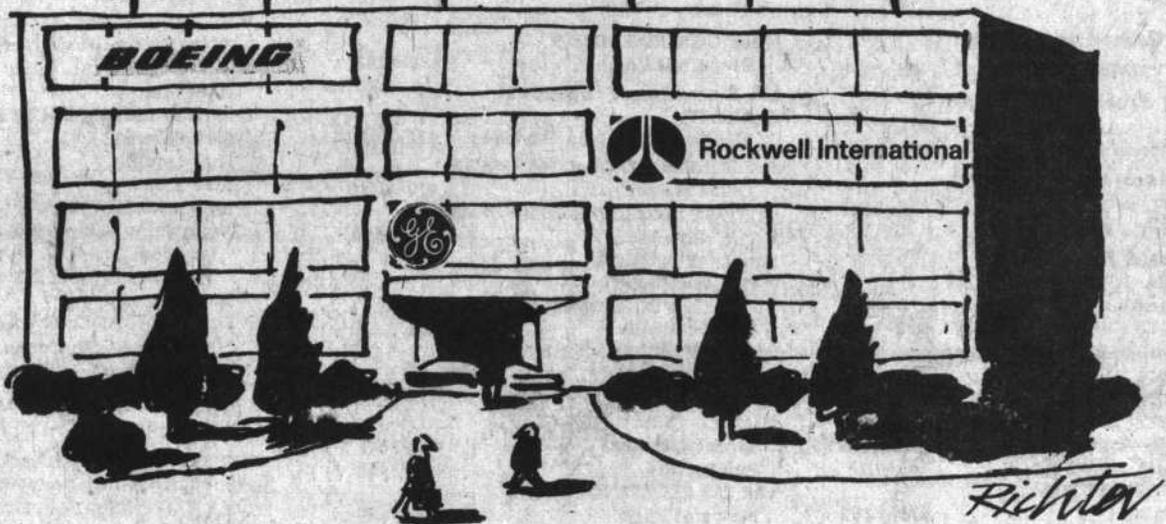
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FOLK CONCERT REPORT

The 1975-76 Folk Concert series has now passed the halfway point. February's fine performances by Chris Lavan and John Roberts & Tony Barrand were well received by the capacity crowd at the Everson Museum. More and more people are finding that the combination of good traditional folk music, the pleasant surroundings of the Everson Auditorium, and the low price which most people can afford is virtually irresistible.

As a source of future funds, and to promote traditional folk music, the Front Room Bookstore of SPC will soon be carrying dozens of small record labels of the concert performers and many other people. They will also be on sale at the concerts. Also, Sing Out! magazine will be regularly carried.

Many members of SPC and the Salt City Song Miners have contributed their time and efforts to make the folk concert series a success. Four more concerts remain in the series -- the next on March 13 -- and some of the most well-known performers are yet to come. If you haven't already attended a concert, now's the time!

! 100% !

It is a pleasure to work on the pledges for SPC. The record is so great that I'd like to say "thank you" to all who pledged in 1975 and pass on the astounding record to all of the PNL readers.

Last year 49 people pledged \$3,809.00 and when the final tally was made \$3,814.90 had been received! During the year 1 pledge was changed, 2 were dropped and 6 had a minor amount due at the end of the year. The rest were paid in full (and in some instances over-paid!) The programming and the regular office work, plus salaries are paid by the generosity of our members. The continuous support of the pledges is very encouraging.

SPC is attempting to build up it's pledges for 1976. I invite you to make a pledge. They can be made in any category you wish (for example they ranged last year from \$1.50/month to \$40.00/month; some people gave quarterly; some semi-annually; some annually). If you will tell me how you'd like to pledge I'll send you a reminder when it's due.

Please don't think you have to be a big spender to pledge - we welcome what you feel you can afford. The regularity of payments helps us to maintain a steady flow of income to meet regular monthly expenses.

To date we have received 30 pledges for 1976 with a projected figure of \$3,597.00. That's a good start but we must do better. Inflation has hit SPC the same as everyone else (most notably in our utility bills and postage costs). So we must improve on last year's figure.

Why not join with others and send in your pledge? Either tear off the pledge card below or send a note to SPC.

Sally Brule'

FOLK CONCERT

Sponsored by SPC & Salt City Song Miners.



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Letters

SPC RESPONDS TO CORNELL

Cushing Strout, Chairman
Special Committee on
Academic Freedom
Cornell University

Re your letter in the 2/76 PNL which was a response to ours in the previous issue. Both were concerned with the issue of Nguyen Cao Ky's appearance at Cornell and freedom of speech.

Your "Dear Sirs" greeting is probably the most symbolic and revealing aspect of your letter. It apparently never occurred to you that the letter could have been (and was) signed by two women. This indicates a deeply rooted attitude of patriarchy which goes hand-in-hand with "liberal" imperialism a la Hubert Humphrey, John Kennedy etc. An attitude of "we know what's best for all you oppressed folks (women, Third world people, poor people) and, since we're really smart and kind, it would be best if you just did things our way."

Your unemotional, immoral, sacro-sanct-academic freedom way cost about 10,000,000 lives in Indochina, Mr. Strout. Let's take a hypothetical situation. Kissinger and Thieu decide the people of Ohio are a threat to their world order so they decide to exterminate every person in Ohio. There's a little fuss but they pull it off. Now, Mr. Strout, do you feel Mr. Kissinger and Thieu should come to Cornell and explain why their genocide was necessary or should they be tried as war criminals? The US genocide in Indochina was only more sophisticated and further away.

Cornell University could and should have taken an official position on the Viet Nam war. Such an act would not have hindered the interests of academic freedom though it might have hindered Cornell University Incorporated's economic interests.

Dik Cool
Indochina Comm.
Syracuse Peace Council

FORD'S BUDGET

Gentlemen:

Relevant to your article "Federal Budget Fiasco" (Feb. PNL) may I call to your attention that Ford just recommended a 212 billion military

budget. That is over one third of the total money in circulation (last figures 295 billion). The military produce absolutely nothing so this country, if his recommendation is carried out, is due for an inflation never before heard of.

Any society must, beyond any question of doubt, spend at least 50% of its money in circulation on reproductive effort, or it will have inflation. That is axiomatic and not only fundamental economics but common sense.

Any simpleton knows if he spends more that he makes he soon runs out unless he has a huge reserve, but the government has no reserves, I repeat no reserves. The inventory just equals the money in circulation in any society, no matter what kind of government you have. Therefore if you use your effort in nonproductive work you shortly run out of goods and services and the price goes up. It can't go any other way unless you set prices and ration. And that is precisely what has to be done when you get into galloping inflation. Is that what Ford wants?

Yours truly,
John U. Morris

Dear John Morris,

People in our office are not all men. Why not just call us friends?
PNL Staff

ANGOLA

Dear Senator Javits:

I would like to again share with you some ideas and feelings about two issues that will influence the future of world peace and personal freedom for all Americans as well as the other peoples of this earth.

The Ford Administration's support of the unpopular FNLA and UNITA in Angola is certainly out of character with the American peoples' ideal respecting the right to self determination for all peoples. Instead of finding another excuse for increasing tensions between the Soviet Union and our country we would do better to support the more popular MPLA, at least politically. The Cold War, one-upmanship policy of the present (as well as past) administration will not only result in needless prolonging of the bloodletting in Angola but also further alienate us from the Third World community in Africa.

Instead of trying to set up a world order for our economic and political advantage we would do well to encourage Angolans to achieve a peace-

ful resolution to their struggle for self-determination. Our outrageous behavior in Southeast Asia, Cuba, Korea and China should serve as a bitter reminder of our self defeating foreign outlook. It is well known that both Castro and Ho Chi Minh were ready to ally themselves with us until our pompous anticommunist phobia falsely lumped all socialist movements into the Soviet camp.

Secondly, I strongly urge that you oppose the passage of S-1, the Code of Criminal Laws. This bill is a blatant affront to the democratic process, violating the principles of equal protection before the law ("Ehrlichman defense" and the "Ellsberg provision") as well as instating cruel and unusual punishment, regarding the death penalty, entrapment, and sabotage. When codes are broad enough to stifle nonviolent protest and dissent, and when the punishment far exceeds the "crime", then democracy becomes a museum piece. I join with the ACLU and others who see other alternatives to the present befuddled code of criminal laws which would insure the basic rights of dissent, privacy, and freedom of expression. One such alternative is the Kastenmeier Bill (H.R. 10850). Though not perfect -- it still regards possession of marijuana a criminal offense, albeit a minor one, and "obscenity" something to be regulated -- this bill is a step in the right direction.

Thank you for your continual interest in and response to my thoughts.

Joel Hammer

PHILIPPINES PRISONERS

President Ferdinand E. Marcos
Malacanang Palace
Manila, Philippines

Dear President Marcos:

As a Christian in the United States, I am terribly concerned about the report that Eliseo Telles, Jr., Methodist Youth leader and Student Christian Movement leader, has been arrested and is being held incommunicado. I urge you to inform his family about where he is being held so they may work for his release.

I am also concerned about the arrests of two other Christians on the same date as the arrest of Mr. Telles; these are Mr. Winnie Zamora and Ms. Linda Santiago. The arrest of these three Christians causes great concern among Christians in the USA, and I urge their release.

Sincerely,
Viriden R. Seybold

"Eyewitness to Revolution - A Changing South Viet Nam"

SPEAKER

Sophie Quinn-Judge



Sophie worked in south Viet Nam for 2 years (73-5) as Saigon representative for the American Friends Service Committee's Quang Ngai rehabilitation center. Prior to that she had been co-director of the International Quaker Center in Paris where they worked with the Viet Nameese community especially Buddhists.

Sophie is one of only a very few westerners who were in Saigon before, during and after the end of the war.

Sophie's Viet Nameese language ability and her wide range of contacts with Buddhists, PRG (Provisional Revolutionary Government) cadre, third segment activists, students, government officials, business people, market vendors and the general populace of Saigon gave her a special ability to interpret the scene in Saigon. Sophie lived in Saigon for 3 months under the PRG. She will also be showing slides of the changing society.

Monday March 8, 1976

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Syracuse University

MAXWELL AUDITORIUM

4:00 PM

Campus sponsorship by the
Program in Nonviolent Conflict
and Change

SPC Monday Potluck

GRACE CHURCH
819 Madison St.

6:30 PM POTLUCK MEAL
(bring food to share)

7:30 PM SOPHIE'S TALK

Sophie's visit to Syracuse & upstate NY is being coordinated by the Indochina Committee of the Syracuse Peace Council. Additional Syracuse-area sponsors are: Women's Information Center, American Friends Service Committee, Ecumenical Peace Education Ministry.

Friendshipment/Sponsors

To be a sponsor of Sophie's visit please send \$2 or more to the address below. Sponsor monies will be sent to FRIENDSHIPMENT, the national coalition sending "people-to-people aid" to Viet Nam. (See page 23.)

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"The Way Back" Gospel Evening, Mar. 5 & 6, \$3.00/adults \$1/children
 Marion Williams Gospel, March 9, \$5, \$4.50, \$3
 Grand Ole Opry Country, Mar. 16, \$7, \$6, \$4
 Herrick & Handler Flute & Guitar, Mar. 18, \$5, \$4 (Students 1/2 price)
 Bill Monroe Bluegrass, Mar. 21, \$7, \$6, \$4
 Morton Subotnick Electronic, Mar. 30, \$5, \$4.50, \$3 (Students 1/2 price)
 Ali Akbar Khan, Indian Sarod, Apr. 7, \$5, \$4, \$2.50 (Students 1/2 price)

Theater:

Ridiculous Theatrical Company: "Camille" (Billed as a tearjerker, this Charles Ludlam adaptation from Dumas is an outrageous comedy), March 25 & 26, \$5.50, \$4 (Students 1/2 price)

Bashful Dragon Playhouse:

Theatre and film for kids at the Civic Center

"Stars & Stripes Forever" (Musical Theater), Mar. 13
 "The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere" (Musical Theater), Mar. 20
 "Punch & Judy" (Puppet Show), Mar. 27
 "The National Chorale" (Choral Concert), Apr. 3 (Shows at 11 AM & 2 PM, Tickets: \$3, \$2.50)

Films at the Center:

"Sons of the Desert" & "Way Out West," Laurel & Hardy, Mar. 1, \$2
 "5000 Fingers of Dr. T" (children), Mar. 7, \$1.50
 "An Evening of Slapstick," Mack Sennett, Mar. 8, \$2
 Cartoon Festival, Mar. 14, \$1.50
 "Sergeant York" (Captioned for Deaf), Mar. 14, \$2
 "The Bank Dick" (& other W.C. Fields classics), Mar. 15, \$2
 "The Wolf Man," with Lon Chaney, Sr., Mar. 21, \$1.50
 "Birth of a Nation," D.W. Griffith classic, Mar. 22, \$2
 "Destry Rides Again" with Tom Mix (Cabaret Style), Mar. 23, \$2
 "Destry Rides Again" with Tom Mix (children's matinees), Mar. 28, \$1.50
 "What Price Glory," WWI classic, Mar. 29, \$2
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The Syracuse Peace Council 1976 Wall Calendar

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"PEOPLE WANT PEACE SO MUCH THAT GOVERNMENTS HAD BETTER GET OUT OF THEIR WAY AND LET THEM HAVE IT."

DWIGHT DAVID EISENHOWER, AUGUST, 1959



This quote was used on the cover of the Syracuse Peace Council's 1976 People's Peace Struggle calendar.

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CUT MILITARY SPENDING! MEET HUMAN NEEDS!

Pres. Ford's proposed budget Fiscal Year 1977 would increase military spending to the highest level since World War II - over \$101 BILLION.

At the same time, it would slash many essential social programs. For example, unemployment compensation would be cut from 65 to 39 weeks -- despite continuing high unemployment rates -- for a 'savings' of \$800 million. Food stamp eligibility would be restricted -- despite continuing widespread hunger in America -- for a 'savings' of \$1.2 billion.

In spite of the proposed budget, this year offers an unprecedented opportunity to reorder budget priorities, due to the extraordinary convergence of four factors: (1) An economic crisis fueled by the distortion of the federal budget toward military spending; (2) unprecedented levels of public opposition to US intervention abroad, as indicated by the Congressional votes against covert aid to CIA-funded groups in Angola; (3) a new Congressional budget process which requires a roll-call vote on federal spending priorities (see box); and (4) the climax of a three year campaign to defeat the B-1

bomber -- the most costly weapons system ever.

Whether significant changes in priorities will take place will depend in large measure on the ability of the peace movement to bring about a broad public debate on foreign policy goals. The Ford Administration bases its military spending requests on a continuing Cold War foreign policy that calls for: (1) intervention anywhere in the world where US economic, political or military

"In what may be a harbinger of things to come, Congress last month "slashed" \$7 billion from the military budget, citing budgetary guidelines as the reason. Though it was just a dry run for the new Congressional budgeting system, the inauguration of which comes next session for Fiscal '77, the consequences for the military were very real. The new budgeting process may have far-reaching results and warrants study by activists...

"From April 15 to May 15 Congress debates the issues raised in the Budget Committee. Activists take note. For the first time, there will be a debate on the floor of Congress on the question of the overall costs of military spending, not just the cost of individual programs such as B-1, Trident or AWACS -- but on the total cost of an aggressive military posture.

"At this point the peace forces could be at the height of an all-out drive -- getting Congresspeople opposing military spending and favoring socially productive expenditures."

--From Peacework, journal of the New England AFSC. Article by Philip Webre.

influence is threatened, and (2) the maintenance of US strategic power "second to none." These assumptions must be challenged, NOW!

The first step in mobilizing for change will be the Fiscal '77 conference in Washington, March 13-15. If you would like to attend this conference, or if you can arrange for a group to which you belong to hear a report from those who attend, contact John at 472-5478.

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Book Review: Bread for the World

by ARTHUR SIMON

available from American Friends Service Com., 821 Euclid Ave., Syr.

Arthur Simon's book, Bread for the World, is the semi-official statement of the organization of the same name, of which Simon is the executive director. The organization Bread for the World seeks to involve people in the religious community in lobbying for governmental policies that would better meet the needs of the hungry in the US and around the world.

Hunger USA

Simon is at his best in discussing hunger in America. He provides a number of case studies of hunger -- even one of starvation. He suggests steps to deal with domestic hunger, ranging from food stamp reforms to full employment. He even attacks the favored treatment given to US corporate farmers (unfortunately, he fails to analyze this problem in depth).

Most interesting of all are the lessons he draws ("lessons that can be applied even in underdeveloped countries"): "... advanced technology and high food production do not in themselves wipe out hunger."

But when Simon turns to a consideration of Third World hunger, his analysis develops some more serious flaws. To be sure, there are still many good points. He lists some of the many flaws in US foreign aid programs. He attacks US arms sales. He emphasizes the importance of international trade in the economies of Third World nations. He even lists some of the many criticisms of the operations of US multi-national corporations. In each case, he makes the connections between these problems and the reality of hunger.

The New Empire

So what's the problem? Briefly, he fails to follow his evidence (much of it excellent, if not terribly original) to its logical conclusions. For example, he cites numerous criticisms of foreign investments (and no arguments in favor of them), and then states that his list "does not lead to the conclusion that US business investments are always at log-

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gerheads with the needs of poor countries.... Many of them do contribute to development; many do not."

He supports this conclusion -- not with a present-day example -- but by citing British investment in the US in the 19th Century, an historical analogy which fails to hold up under examination.

Simon is unwilling to embrace radical solutions to the severe problems he describes. In particular, he falls into the trap of using anti-Communist rhetoric. For example, he states that US intervention in Viet Nam was undertaken reluctantly and was "motivated by a desire to prevent another colonial power from gobbling up helpless countries." US business investments in Asia -- criticized elsewhere -- are now brushed aside. The possibility that the US could have been acting as a (neo)colonial power appears not to have occurred to him at all.

Socialist Alternatives

The anti-Communist rhetoric reappears in Simon's treatment of China. Largely ignored elsewhere in the book, China emerges briefly in a time-worn comparison with India. After quoting a Western visitor who saw "no hunger, no untreated disease, no beggars," he attacks China's "highly centralized, authoritarian government." Then, after a rather abstract, statistical summation of India's many problems, he concludes that India "remains a strong, healthy democracy." This section was apparently written before Indira Gandhi declared a state of emergency last June.

Reform or...?

Simon seems unable to comprehend the possibility that Third World peoples might want to find their own paths to development without US 'aid'. Rather, he seems to demand that they accept a promise of more 'enlightened' US policies, like it or not.

Furthermore, can he deliver on his promise? It seems unlikely. His main tool is letters by Bread for the World members to their Congresspeople. Letters may have some effect, to be sure. But in the struggle over hunger policy, are they enough?

Simon never bothers to examine the way corporations and the military shape the details of 'humanitarian' legislation -- and its implementation -- to their own ends.

-- John Maddaus

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The same old game - "Monopoly". But the Parker Bros. version is dull compared to the PSC version. Land on a utility and buy it quickly; then when your opponent stops on it quote profit losses and demand a 104% increase in payment or "go to jail, go directly to jail, do not pass go, do not collect \$200.", the other alternative is to spend your food money and sell your property on Burnet Ave.

Monopolies are not new on the American scene. The East India Company was the sole tea monopoly, created by the East India Act to shore up investments when the value of EIC shares were plummeting. Many of the shareholders and friends were members of Parliament and the King and his appointed Governor (Hutchinson of Mass.) protected the investors. The patriots, however, didn't play the game and on Dec. 16, 1773 the hottest game in town was no longer "Monopoly" but a new one called "Boston Tea Party".

There is a twist 200 years later - protests of "loss of revenue", "construction of new plants", and "energy crisis" are shouted simultaneously. "We must assure our stockholders a profit"; "oil is in critical shortage"; "come to the climatized mall (heated in winter, cooled in summer) to buy your electric letter opener ... pencil sharpener ... toenail clippers... and do stop in for lunch with throw-away plastic dishes, forks and spoons spoons".

Do you suppose in 1773 the East India Company quoted price increases along with tea shortages and recipes for "hot spiced tea, tea cakes, tea poultices, tea to mulch your roses, etc." ?

How about a new game called "People Power vs Niagara Mohawk"? In this game you don't break the bank - just the monopoly. When you pass "go" your utility bill is lowered, if you land on a PSC square you unseat a government patsy and put in a person on a fixed income, when you discard an electrical appliance a brick falls out of Niagara Mohawk, and if you pass up a Madison Ave. gimmick for a new "can't live without" gadget a whole power line collapses! If we play the game correctly we'll control the utility company and sensibly conserve energy. And if we're really clever we'll even figure out a way to play it without plastic markers!

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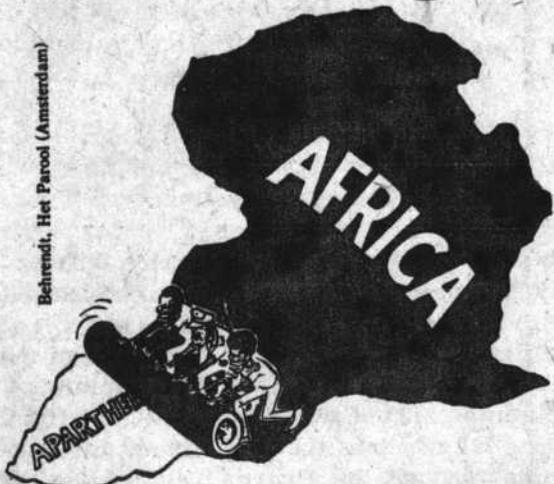
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OAU, France Recognize MPLA

The People's Republic of Angola (PRA), the government of the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) has been officially recognized by the Organization of African Unity (OAU), France, Britain, Canada, Denmark, Ireland, Italy, The Netherlands, Norway, Sweden and Switzerland. The local evening daily, the Herald-Journal, failed to note this significant event.

Participants at the recent SPC Monday Potluck on Angola discussed what the U.S. might do now that it's become so isolated in its Angolan position. Gerald Ford recently took a "we've been sold out but we'll keep on anyway" approach which seems to indicate the U.S. will continue CIA involvement and support for South Africa at least for several months. If a direct confrontation between PRA & South African forces (entrenched in southern Angola protecting a giant hydroelectric project) occurs the U.S. may try to use it as an excuse to intervene on a larger scale.

At the same time U.S. multinationals are beginning to see which way the wind's blowing. Gulf Oil has quietly agreed to pay the PRA outstanding oil royalties and open negotiations on future dealings. This trend will eventually force the U.S. to openly deal with the People's Republic of Angola.

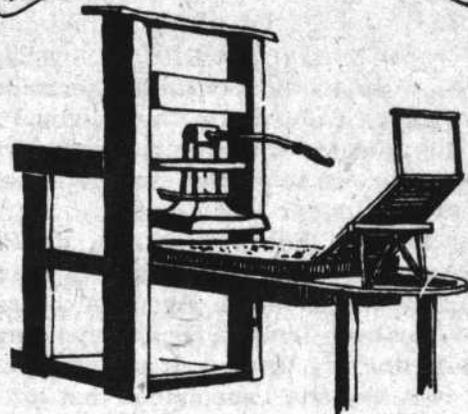


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Ireland's Ordeal

by Dale Tussing

Dublin

After six years, the current troubles in Northern Ireland show no signs of waning. British policy has been shrewd and subtle, almost masterful, in manipulating and dividing the many groups involved in political and military struggles in the North. But since there is no apparent plan for the use of this political advantage, the sour end for the British will probably be the failure one usually expects from a combination of brilliant tactics and no strategy. Support for the Provisional IRA (Irish Republican Army) is probably at its lowest ebb in that organization's nearly six years of life. Its backing comes in pockets, mainly in Belfast and in border areas such as south County Armagh; but while popular support is low, it is apparently sufficient to keep up the Provos' campaign of terror bombing, sectarian assassination, and efforts to crush -- by force -- any political opposition within those pockets of support.

The Provisionals ("Provos")

For a number of years, the strategy of the Provisional IRA has been focused on wearing down the will of the British public to maintain a presence in Northern Ireland, first through a campaign of killing British soldiers, and later through a bombing campaign within England itself. Over the last year, however, Provo strategy has been thrown into confusion, and their objectives are no longer clear.

One year ago, in February, 1975, the Provisional IRA announced a cease-fire, in both Britain and Northern Ireland. At about the same time, the Northern Ireland Secretary, Merlyn Rees, while denying there was any negotiated "truce" or two-way deal, announced that internment without trial was to be gradually wound down (as it was), thus removing an issue on which virtually all Catholic and Republican elements agreed, and that Provisional Sinn Fein,

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"... death without trial,
for some perverted reason,
is not contrary to natural justice."

in effect the "political" front for the Provisional IRA, was to open a number of so-called "incident centres," with telephone lines to Rees' office, where aggrieved members of the Catholic community could report complaints and problems. These centres meant, in effect, channeling of much of the government in Catholic areas through the Provos, and hence the concession seemed to be a real plum, particularly in light of the declining political support for the Provos. To the British, however, there were two advantages. The Provos were encouraged to try their hand in politics, where they seemed certain to be ineffective. At the same time, the SDLP (Social Democratic and Labour Party), which has consistently received the overwhelming majority of Catholic votes in Northern Ireland, was dealt a severe blow -- the second in succession. The first was the collapse of the Northern Ireland Assembly and the failure of power-sharing, in which the SDLP had had what amounted to a guaranteed, perpetual role in government. The Provo incident centres now meant that the SDLP was completely out in the cold, with no power to act in the day-to-day interests of constituents. The situation was to make the SDLP all the more eager to compromise later in the year, to get back into government -- a story we lack the space to tell here.

How sincere the Provos were about a cease-fire is not clear. Throughout the year, the level of Provo violence has been gradually stepped up, even though both they and Rees continued to talk as if there were a cease-fire. Earlier this month, when the Provos "celebrated" the anniversary of their cease-fire declaration by setting off two gelignite and eight incendiary bombs in Belfast alone, the cease-fire was a dead letter. It is instructive to look at the three principal campaigns of violence and terror waged by the Provos during the year of nominal peace.

Three Provo Campaigns

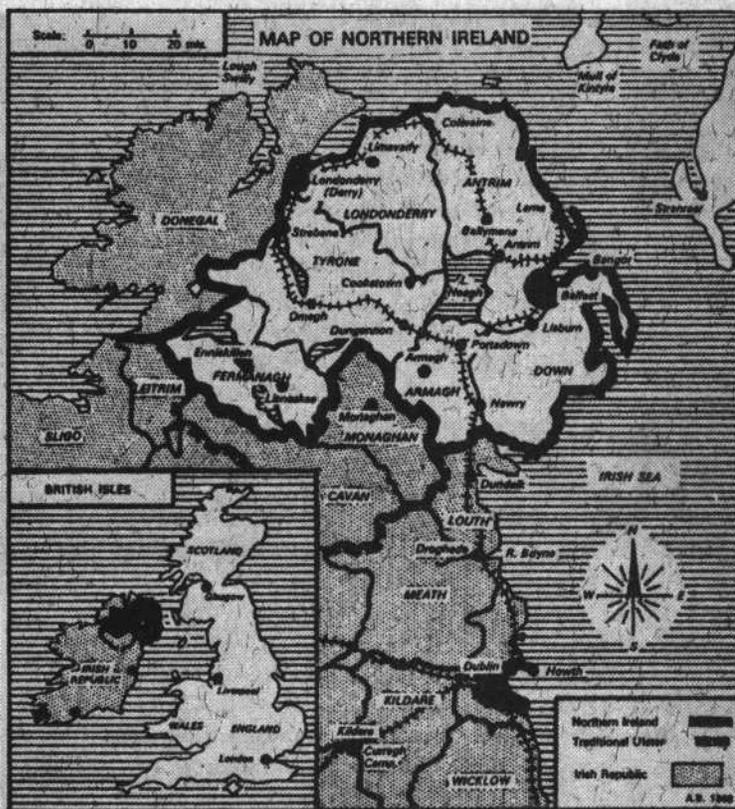
One was the London pub bombings. Early in the current troubles, the Provos' bombing campaigns were run fairly strictly against property, not persons. Telephoned warnings were usually given in time, and a code word known to both the Provos and the police was used, so that the police could distinguish true bomb warnings from crank calls. But the London pub bombings of 1975 went to the opposite extreme. Not only were no warnings given, but the bombs were packaged with dozens of nuts, bolts, and nails, to create murderous anti-personnel weapons reminiscent of the "pineapple" bombs used by the US in Vietnam. When the Provos were criticized for wanton murder of English workers, destroying chances of trade union support for civil rights in Northern Ireland, they switched the campaign to the fashionable and expensive West End of London, where four of the small pub-bombing gang (including its leader) were apprehended last winter, bringing the campaign to a halt, at least for the present.

A second campaign during the "cease-fire" was a vendetta, which has come to be called the "Provo Pogrom", waged against members of the rival Official Republican Clubs in Belfast. This campaign, in which the Provos simply tried to kill off the political competition within the Catholic and Republican community, is extremely important and revealing of the true nature and political weakness of the Provisionals, and will be discussed in detail momentarily.

The third main campaign was that in South County Armagh. Although within Northern Ireland, South Armagh like several other border areas has a Catholic, anti-Unionist majority, one which has rankled under loyalist, Protestant domination for the fifty-plus years since partition. The Provisionals have been successful there, supported like guerillas elsewhere by a combination of friendly population and familiar terrain. The South Armagh Provos never gave the slightest hint that they recognized a cease-fire, and continued to shoot down members of the British Army, the Ulster Defence Regiment (a mainly Protestant national guard), and the Royal Ulster Constabulary (the police). Rees has labeled the area "bandit territory."

Late in 1975, the South Armagh campaign took a sinister turn. The Provisionals began to retaliate against the Protestant paramilitary assassinations of Catholics which have long been a fact of life in Northern Ireland, with

their own murders of Protestants. No evidence has been offered to suggest that the victims of these murders, on either side of the sectarian divide, were other than innocent workers and farmers. Thus "retaliation" is really the wrong word: neither set of killers has inflicted any harm on the other. On the contrary, they have thrived on each others' acts of violence. In any event, the cycle of tit-for-tat killing continued until, on successive nights, five Roman Catholics were gunned down at home, and ten Protestants were taken from a commuter mini-



bus and machine-gunned by a Provo squad (the life of an eleventh passenger being spared because he was Catholic). After this orgy of murder, the whole area--indeed, the entire island--rose up in angry protest. Mass meetings and marches of workers organized by trade unions, put tremendous pressure on the two murder gangs, who have temporarily cooled their Armalites and Thompsons.

The episode calls into question the Provo strategy. Attacks on the British military--even on the British population--are consistent with the strategy of wearing down the British public, and encouraging a "Bring Home the Troops" campaign. But the Provo claim that their quarrel is with Britain, not with the Protestants of Ulster--a hard claim to accept anyway--is belied by a campaign, even in retaliation, against the Protestant majority with whom the Catholics

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will have to work if and when the "Brits" ever do go home. While the sectarian murder campaign in South Armagh has quieted, Provos elsewhere, including in Belfast, have stepped up their war on Protestants. One of the buildings bombed on the first anniversary of the "cease-fire" was the world headquarters of the Orange Order, the Protestant (and anti-Catholic) lodge which is so influential in Northern Ireland politics. Whatever the future of Northern Ireland may be, Catholics and Republicans will have to work with--or under--Orangemen.

Provos Split from IRA

In the mid-1960's, the IRA and its political allies, the Republican Clubs in Northern Ireland and Sinn Fein in the Republic (two names for a single organization -- Sinn Fein being illegal at the time in the North), made two critical decisions. First, they decided to espouse a frankly Marxist and anti-imperialist line, in place of the narrow and often sectarian nationalism that had been their tradition. And second, they determined to follow a political, rather than a military strategy in doing so, with the IRA's role to be limited to a defense of the movement and of workers. In principle, this meant both Protestant and Catholic workers; in practice, the IRA rarely had much opportunity to protect the former, though there were a significant number of Protestants in the movement. The Republican Clubs were an important element in the Civil Rights movement that burst forth on the scene in 1968.

What followed will have a familiar ring to anyone involved in the non-violent US Civil Rights movement in the early sixties, or the non-violent anti-war movement in the late sixties. The political approach made enormous progress, and had considerable momentum, when it was sorely tested in another episode to which the name "pogrom" has been given -- the Protestant Pogrom against Catholic neighborhoods in 1969, in which mobs--often led by parttime policemen--burned hundreds of Catholic homes, and fired bullets wildly in Catholic neighborhoods. The IRA, with revolutionary discipline, refused to retaliate, fearing a sectarian civil war.

The result -- to make a long, complex, and still controversial story short -- was a split in the IRA, with a new group, the "Provisional IRA", established with money and aid from powerful Dublin businessmen and from leading members of the ruling political party in the South, Fianna Fail. Later Sinn Fein also split, with a Provisional wing created to support the Provisional IRA. The IRA and Sinn Fein have

come to be called the "Official IRA" and "Official Sinn Fein" (and the whole movement as "the Official Republican Movement"), to distinguish them from the breakaway Provisionals. Provisional Sinn Fein exists only to support its military wing, and is involved in almost no political activity--none at all relating to issues in the Republic. The Official IRA, by contrast, exists to support Official Sinn Fein and its policies, and not the other way around. Official Sinn Fein focuses mainly on economic issues.

Official IRA Works Against Violence

Except for a brief flurry in 1970, the Official IRA has maintained a cease-fire in Northern Ireland; even that flurry is today regarded as an error by many of the leaders. It is the Provisionals who have maintained an offensive campaign of terror against the British and Northern Protestant populations. The Officials have campaigned for working-class solidarity in the North, against the exploitation of British imperialism, and have regarded the Provo campaign as destructive of such ends. They have tried, though with poor results, to develop lines of communication with radical elements in Protestant paramilitary organizations, such as the Ulster Volunteer Force; and they have campaigned hard against sectarianism.

Last October, the Republican Clubs began a major campaign against sectarianism, and began putting up posters with the simple slogan, "Sectarianism Kills Workers," throughout the North. These were well received except in

Sectarianism Kills Workers



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Provo-controlled areas, where they were promptly torn down. (By contrast, the worst that happened in Protestant working-class areas usually was that the name of the Republican Clubs, in small letters at the bottom, was torn off, with the poster staying up.)

Provos Pogrom Against Officials

On the night of October 29, 1975, with no warning, scores of members of the Provisionals' Belfast Brigade set out to "nut" (murder) members of the Official IRA and of the Republican Clubs. Miraculously (and because politically active people in Belfast are accustomed to being on their guard), only one was killed that night. Many more were shot and seriously wounded. In two weeks, Provos shot over 60 persons, and nine were killed. With IRA and Republican Club members quickly going underground, many of those killed were only relatives of members, or were former members who had no idea anyone might be gunning for them. For days, homes of Official Republicans were machine-gunned and fire-bombed on a regular basis, and scores of families were driven from their homes.

The Provos had to offer some kind of justification. Ruari O Bradaigh, their President, flew from Dublin to Belfast to explain at a press conference that the campaign was in reality a "police action," and that their political rivals had been guilty of "gangsterism". The Provo leadership also underlined the political nature of the vendetta by calling the Officials "Marxist" Socialists and themselves "Democratic" Socialists, though many remarked at the striking resemblance of the Provos to National Socialists -- Nazis -- instead.

No one in Ireland has taken the charges of "gangsterism" seriously. While there is always a danger of criminal activity developing at street level in paramilitary organizations, the targets of the campaign were such as to belie any such law-enforcement purpose. One hardly shoots down relatives of criminals, or even former comrades, as a way of controlling crime. One example of a Provo "police action," quoting from the Irish Times (Nov. 15), was the following: "Mr. Jackie McAllister, shot dead on the second-last day of the fighting, was apparently singled out because his mother, a prominent Official Republican, had led a deputation to see the Provisional President, Mr. Ruari O Bradaigh, in Dublin, to ask for an end to the attacks." On another day, a blast bomb was thrown at the front of the house of the wid-

ow of an Official IRA leader killed in 1972. One of the early victims was a 6-year-old girl, shot dead by a Provo gunman firing wildly into the home of a member of the Republican Clubs.

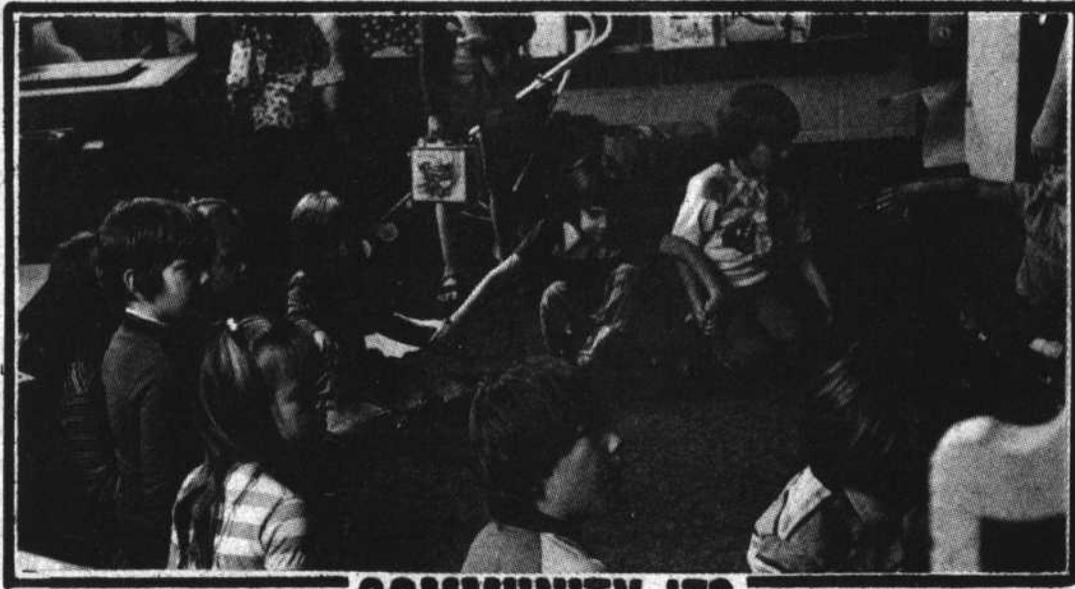
Leading members of the SDLP (no friends of the Officials), were quoted as saying "that they fear they could be next on the list of targets of the Provisional IRA in what they see as an attempt by the Provisionals to wipe out all political opposition to them in Catholic areas of the North (Irish Press, Nov. 10)." And the deputy leader of the middle-of-the-road, mainly Protestant Alliance Party, parodying the Provisionals' principled public stand against internment without trial, commented, "Their punishment for belonging to a rival organisation is not internment without trial, which they believe is contrary to natural justice, but death without trial, which for some perverted reason is not contrary to natural justice."

The campaign created an enormous dilemma for the Official movement. They did not want to enter into an endless and escalating retaliatory killing campaign with the Provos; but they did not want to see their members shot down, and their movement crushed, with impunity. If the Official IRA had mainly a defensive purpose, it was time for defense. The IRA used enormous restraint and discipline, but two prominent Provisionals were also dead at the end of the campaign.

British Army & Northern Aid Comm.

The roles of two other groups must be called into question. One is the British Army. There is considerable and convincing evidence that they approved of and aided the Provo Pogrom, and knew about it in advance. One wonders whether they in fact fomented it, since it was potentially harmful not only to the Officials but to the Provos as well.

The other is the Northern Aid Committee, the American fund-raising arm of the Provos, who have by their own accounts collected over \$1.5 million. Many who have lent their names to the campaign, such as actor Richard Harris or Senator Henry Jackson, probably think the Provos are fighting the British for independence, but those close to the Irish situation, such as Paul O'Dwyer, must know that the Provos' main activities these days are in killing and terrorizing other Irishmen and women, not as part of a struggle for freedom, but to maintain tight control of their own areas, whether in South Armagh or in Belfast. ##



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MONDAYS

1 Corporate Power and the Energy Mess

Who is it that controls our energy resources? What motivates those in control? Whose interests do they serve? Are they reliable and trustworthy? How did we get in the mess we're in? Corporate Power and the Energy Mess is a slide show put together by the Committee for Social Responsibility in Engineering (C.S.R.E.) which takes a look at the structures that control our energy resources and tries to deal with these questions. It is a timely Potluck in response to the questions recently raised about the operations of Niagara Mohawk.

8 Eyewitness to Revolution: A Changing S. Viet Nam

Many people are asking "What is the new society in south Viet Nam like?" Sophie Quinn-Judge, one of a very few westerners who was in Saigon before, during and after the end of the war, will be at this Potluck to talk about and show slides of the changing society. Sophie worked in south Viet Nam for two years (73-75) as Saigon representative for the AFSC. Her Viet Nameese language ability and her wide range of contacts there gave her a special ability to interpret the scene in Saigon. Sophie also lived in Saigon for 3 months under the PRG.

15 Hookway: A Symptom of Needed Changes

Many questions have been raised by the recent leasing agreement between S. U. and Wegmans to build a shopping center on the Hookway Tract. What benefits will the East Side reap? Why and how was this agreement pushed through without the knowledge of area residents? Who are the residents opposing this proposal (which means fighting the bureaucratic power structures of the University, the City, and Wegman's) and how are they doing it? Marilyn Austin, ass't director of the Euclid Community Open House, will be at this Potluck to discuss these issues.

22 Another Family for Peace

The film, Another Family for Peace, tells the story of five couples, scattered across the US, whose lives have been irrevocably hurt by the Indochina war. Discussion will focus on how universal and unconditional amnesty would affect these families as well as thousands of other families in this country.

29 Federal Budget: Fighting for New Priorities

Several Syracusans attending the "Fiscal'77" conference in Washington DC on March 13-15 (see Legislative Report) will report on the conference from their various perspectives. Discussion will focus on a strategy for bringing about change in Federal Budget priorities in the coming months, using the new Congressional Budget system. Immediate attention will focus on the final drive to stop the B-1 Bomber by this May.

The Potlucks, now in their 5th year, provide our community a continuous weekly forum for: EDUCATION/COMMUNICATION/SOCIAL CHANGE. Assistance in planning the Potlucks, financial contributions and program suggestions are always welcome. Please contact: Syracuse Peace Council, 924 Burnet Ave. 13203, (315) 472-5478.

SCIENTIFIC AID TO VIET NAM

A Discussion With Sancia Gaetani

In both Europe and the US, Science for Viet Nam groups have been formed to provide technological aid to the Viet Nameese. A major concern of these scientists centers on the dangers of exporting western technology to a country, as Viet Nam is, that is committed to building a socialist order.

The following is excerpted from a discussion of this problem by members of SPC's Science for Viet Nam group, Don Salisbury, Bob Cahalan and A. P. Balachandran with Sancia Gaetani. Sancia, a recent visitor to SPC and Syracuse, is a member of the Rome S. for V.N. collective and was one of a delegation of Italian scientists to visit Viet Nam last May.

Sancia Gaetani: Our impression was that we did not have to fear exporting western science and that they (the Viet Nameese) could have no danger from western science because they have made their political choices. They knew exactly what they wanted from us. They wanted our technical skills; not our political analysis.

It was also our impression that (it's better that) technical help be given by people with a sympathetic political analysis. Then any mistakes are more likely to be of a technical nature and not of a political nature.

Don Salisbury: In telling others about our Science for Viet Nam group, the first concerns people expressed were that they felt uneasy over the role we may be playing at home in nurturing the growth of capitalism and insuring its well-being. We feel we are all cogs in the machine, yet we have not probed deeply enough to know exactly how. So it is natural for us to fear that in providing simple technical aid to a country like Viet Nam, we may unwittingly transfer our institutions. We feel these institutions, developed in a capitalist environment, are ultimately obstacles in the path of the development of socialism.

For example, the university in Saigon asked assistance in establishing a faculty of medicine from a Science for Viet Nam collective in France. The French collective had misgivings about what seemed to be uncritical acceptance of the structure of western medical education and western methodology in medicine. It forced the French scientists to think about what it was they found objectionable in their own system.

Sancia: What is wrong in the western schools of medicine is not physiology, anatomy, the basic courses. What is wrong is the forming of doctors

for a capitalist system to make money instead of helping people who need help; to treat people who pay. What is wrong is how medicine is organized but not how people prepare to be doctors.

In the beginning in 1954 and later on, the Viet Nameese didn't have many doctors. Those trained under the French went to Paris or Africa. There were maybe only 10 or 11 for all the country. Now there is the practical doctor, trained in practical skills but not in theory -- more or less like the Chinese barefoot doctor -- and the true doctor. They have tried to have in each village at least 1 true doctor and 2 or 3 practical doctors. They are



aware of the fact that this is not the ideal situation. Good doctors are better for the people.

They were asking us to advise them on the technical end. I think we have to be modest. The party in Viet Nam has been illustrating that it knows what it's doing and has succeeded in what it wants. We have to trust them.

Don: In the instance we were discussing, I had the feeling that the collective in France had reservations about trends in western medicine toward specialization and the over-reliance on expensive technology to treat more exotic diseases. I think it's plausible, particularly from my experience teaching science in Zaire, that the Viet Nameese were unduly awed by technology. I think this is a danger, something I can see happening.

Sancia: My impression is that the problem is how medicine is used in this country and not what it is and how it has developed. It (the problem) is

the philosophy behind the doctors. Better technology gives better medicine.

Don: I agree that it's a choice you have to make. You have to decide to build kidney machines or train barefoot doctors.

Sancia: They have made their choice. They have trained their barefoot doctors. When they are sure that everyone is cared for in a decent way, from then on they build kidney machines.

Bob Cahalan: Part of the problem is that the educational system in this country for medicine and maybe to a different extent for the other sciences like physics, is that it sets up an absolute hierarchy. When a person gets a medical doctor's degree he can do anything he wants but a nurse cannot even necessarily do a test and release the information. That's built into the educational system. The power structure in medicine is part of the educational system. In physics, once we have a PhD, we have the power to research what we want but before then we have to work on problems defined by the establishment.

Sancia: In Viet Nam they trained practical doctors. but the practical doctors are not the ideal. They do not have enough training. For example, they sometimes help in neurosurgery but that's not ideal. A good neurosurgeon can be sure when he opens the head that he doesn't do anything wrong in the operation.

Bob: Well, that's not so clear. Those things are things I think have to be questioned -- whether to put barriers in front of people who have some skill; and the tendency that once someone becomes a doctor or degree holder then he has the power to make free decisions, to take action.

Sancia: These are all political decisions. I trust them (the Viet Nameese) politically. There is nothing wrong in exporting technology because they know how to use it politically.

Bob: Technology is more than building a machine -- the way to teach courses, textbooks -- technology includes all of that. These are political things.

Sancia: Sure these are political.

Don: It's important for us to resolve these concerns just as we must discuss these concerns with the Viet Nameese.

Balachandran: Because the Viet Nameese have such great shortages of scientific material, of technical people, engineers -- because there is such terrific internal pressure to solve immediate problems, some people feel the Viet Nameese are tending to ignore the political implications of their crash programs. For example, they have compart-

mentalized education into physics, chemistry, biology, etc. in the traditional manner of European education. Their university hierarchy is traditional. They have been criticized for not seeing these as serious problems.

Sancia: They will come later. There are so many very urgent problems to solve. They must get out of underdevelopment rapidly, develop their economy very rapidly, or they will fail in establishing socialism. There are different degrees of import-



Sancia Gaetani describes both the problems and visions of the Viet Nameese in building a health care system. SPC Monday Potluck, Feb. 16. Photo by Mima Cataldo

ance. Most important is building socialism. They don't talk now of rebuilding. The next 5 years will be for repair and they they will think of rebuilding. They have been for so many years in isolation, through all the bombing, the liberation of south Viet Nam, it's a miracle they have thought at all of the experimental schools like the Hoa Binh school for minorities. It is a model school.

Bal: Will the students work in factories?

Sancia: For the moment, there is the urgency of needing good technicians, good engineers, good doctors. No, they cannot afford to send them into factories.

SPC Steering Committee Discusses MILITARY SPENDING

SPC's Steering Committee held an hour-long discussion of military spending at its February meeting, the first in a series of in-depth discussions of major issues facing the US peace movement.

All Steering Committee members received copies of 3 articles describing organizations/projects aimed at cutting military spending. Don Salisbury, JoAnne Cocciolo and Chris Murray summarized the 3 articles and John Maddaus gave a comparison of them. General discussion followed.

Campaign for a Democratic Foreign Policy

CDFP was formed by members of the Indochina Peace Campaign after the end of the Indochina war. Its basic philosophy is internationalist and anti-imperialist. It views US imperialism as being on the defensive worldwide as a result of defeat in Indochina. It looks toward joining with populist groups in a common struggle against US multinational corporations, working in part through the Congress and the Democratic Party. It seeks to win significant victories on issues such as cutting aid and arms supplies to repressive governments.

Stop the B-1 / National Peace Conversion Campaign

The B-1 campaign is a joint 3-year project of the American Friends Service Com. and Clergy & Laity Concerned, both groups oriented primarily to the religious community and acting on a common understanding of what justice demands. The campaign has 3 aspects: (1) a Congressional drive to stop the B-1; (2) efforts to confront 3 corporations that are the prime B-1 contractors; and (3) education about peace conversion. All aspects of the campaign are focused on the military-industrial complex.

Continental Walk

The Continental Walk, a project initiated by War Resisters League and supported by numerous other groups, is based on the assumption that human survival requires a commitment to non-violence, including total disarmament, a non-violent civilian defense system, peace conversion and social justice. It sees the origins of war in racism, sexism and aggressive nationalism. The walk itself is a means of focusing a long-term educational process.



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Economics Teach-In

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SPC member Bill Griffen, an SUCC professor, laid the blame on the capitalist system in which the creators of the crisis--the banking and corporate interests--attempt to force the public working class sector to pay for capitalism's failures. Bill pointed out that public money going to buy one B-1 bomber to accelerate the arms race, would be enough to cover the entire State University cut-backs for the next four years!

Crumb of the Month Award

(Guardian) To the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) and its director Roy Innis for their attempts to recruit up to 1500 black American mercenaries to fight against the MPLA in Angola. CORE was one of the more progressive 60's civil rights organizations with roots in Syracuse. CORE's recruitment project, billed as the Veteran's Opportunity Project (possible CIA funding), is intended to fulfill an anti-communist, patriotic mission in Angola. A black coalition in San Francisco, where Innis was scheduled to speak, had this to say: "Innis is an abomination, a scoundrel." Innis cancelled his talk.

"Key Angolan City Falls"

The above headline was the largest on the front page of the February 9, 1976 Post-Standard. It is but one blatant example of how our "free"

press manipulates the news. Why is the Popular Movement for the Liberation of Angola (MPLA) always described as "Soviet-led," "pro-Soviet," "Cuban-backed," etc.? Why, indeed. The US media, with few exceptions, has readily adopted

Kissinger's analysis and language concerning Angola just as it did for over 15 years in Indochina ("Viet Cong," "Terrorists," etc.). The Angolan city "fell" to the Angolan government recognized by over 70 nations. Such manipulation of language by news media is a subtle and powerful tool in molding opinion.

Commendations

To Daniel Schorr for releasing a secret House study on the CIA which revealed CIA infiltration of news media and many other areas of society. Two upstate Congresspeople, Stratton and Walsh, have been vocal in demanding action against Schorr. Stratton & Walsh have been strangely silent about the CIA's direct violation of a new law (18 USCA 959) prohibiting recruitment of mercenaries in the U.S. Congress also cut off all funds for Angola yet the CIA continues to funnel money through Zaire to anti-MPLA factions. This is a direct affront to Congress' mandate

Continental Walk Underway!

On January 31 the Continental Walk for Disarmament & Social Justice began in San Francisco. Over 1,000 people left Union Square after many rallies in the bay area. The Walk intends to arrive in Washington, DC sometime in October with rallies, teach-ins, leafletting, and other activities along the way. Media coverage of the Walk's beginning was very good. Two "feeder" walks are planned in upstate NY as are other events related to Walk issues. More info: Bob at 476-0145.

Bishop Confronts SSS

(California Socialist) Bishop Walter F. Sullivan, of Richmond, Va., has told Selective Service officials they may not use Catholic schools in the city's diocese as sites to register young men for the draft. Sullivan said that to use schools as draft registration centers posed a hazard to freedom of conscience and raised the question of a possibly unconstitutional involvement of church and state.

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UFW TOO Successful

In spite of violence against workers who support the United Farm Workers (UFW), secret ballot elections results are heavily for the UFW 50% as compared to 20% for the Teamsters (the rest is "no union" or undecided). Now the grower/Teamster coalition has decided it doesn't like the Ca. Agricultural Labor Relations Board (ALRB) which mandated the elections.

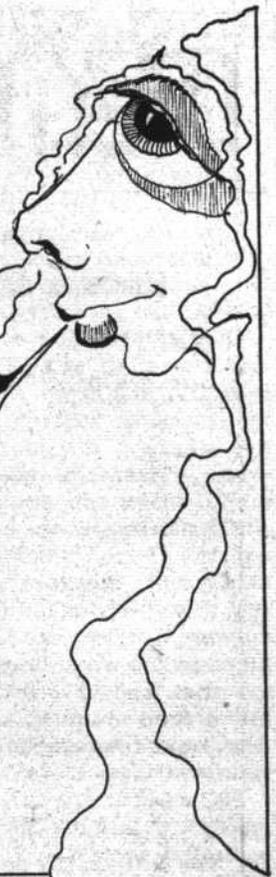
The coalition has successfully blocked the 2/3 vote needed in the Ca. Senate to grant emergency supplemental funding to the ALRB. Leader of the coalition to force changes in the law more favorable to them is Senator Clare Berryhill, a grape grower who sells half his crop to Gallo wine. Your support of the boycott has helped the farmworkers get this far; please continue to boycott Ca. & Ariz. grapes & iceberg lettuce (unless UFW eagle on wrapper) and all Gallo products, that is any wine with "Modesto, Ca." on label.

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HARMONIZING BODY, MIND, SPIRIT: Yogi Amrit Desai will speak on "Yoga, Medicine, and Mental Health: Reunion of Mind & Body," 12 noon, Wed., Mar. 3 at Weiskotten Aud., Upstate Medical Center, and on "Yoga, Christianity, & Judaism", 7:30 pm, LeMoyne College Auditorium.

RECON, March issue includes: Too Many Arms Merchants, Nuclear Sub Unsafe, Criticism of Army Truck Program, Dutch Soldiers' Union, and much more. Send 35¢/copy or \$3/yr. (12 issues) to RECON, P.O. Box 14602, Phila., PA 19134.

VOLUNTEERS needed at ECOH to work with the disabled. Call Marilyn at 475-4636 or 475-3515.

WIN, the ONLY weekly magazine of the nonviolent radical movement, features news & analyses that's indispensable for activists. Contributors include Bentley, Ginsberg, Paley, Deming, McReynolds, Berrigan. \$11/yr. WIN, Box 547, Rifton, NY 12471.

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COMMUNITY-BASED THEATER GROUP beginning on east-side! Come to our next meeting, Mar. 7, 10:30am, for brunch potluck, at 200 Harvard Pl., or call Jane at 475-3442 for more info.

April 15, 1976: Income Tax Paying Day could become Income Tax Resisting Day! Counseling is available on how to do income tax resistance and use the WTR Alternative Fund. For more info, call 472-5478.

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29 8:00 pm - LeMoynes Cafeteria Daniel Berrigan, speaking on "200 years of violence, 200 years of nonviolence" Open to the public.	1 SPC Potluck - "Corporate Power & the Energy Mess" Grace Church, 813 Madison. 6:30 potluck, 7:30 program. See p. 17 for details	2 Pol. Econ. Study Group - 6:30 pm potluck, 7:30 discussion of Fanshen, chaps 41-45, at 138 W. Beard Continental Walk mtg. 8:00 pm at 713 Otisco St. Call Bob at 476-0145 for details	3 Planning mtg. for special May PNL at SPC, 472-5478. 7:00 pm: Upstate NY Peace Network Mtg. at 2846 E. Genesee St. Call Bob at 476-0145 for details	4 9:30 am - Caucus of CALC-related groups at SPC Syr. Comm. on Southern African Liberation public mtg. All interested in end to US involvement in Angola urged to attend. Grace Church, 7:30 pm.	5 NYS Lesbian Conference at Women's Information Ctr., 601 Allen St. Call 478-INFO or 475-4661 (LFS) for details	6 SACCO & VANZETTI NYS Films, Grant Aud., SU. 6, 8, 10 pm, \$1.50 Shown Friday, the 27th NYS Lesbian Conference (continued)
7 NYS Lesbian Conference (continued)	8 International Women's Day SPC Potluck: "Eyewitness to Revolution-A Changing South Viet Nam." Sophie Quinn-Judge speaking. 6:30 meal, 7:30 talk, Grace Church. Sophie at Maxwell Aud., SU at 4 pm; on WYRD at 1:45 pm	9 7:30 pm - Steering Comm. meeting at 100 Robert Dr. All welcome! Call 478-1227 for directions.	10 Sophie Quinn-Judge in Rochester. Call PJE 244-7191 for details	11 Sophie Quinn-Judge at Colgate Univ. Call CCP&F, 824-4583, for details	12 Sophie Quinn-Judge in Albany. Call Rezsins Adams, 462-0891 for details	13 "Fiscal '77" - Natl. Conf. on Military Spending, Washington DC (See page 7 for info) 8 pm - Folk Concert at Everson Mus. Margaret MacArthur (trad. ballads on Barn harp) & Bells & Motley Consort. \$2.50
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21 2-5 pm - Public forum on Comprehensive Community Services for People with Disabilities, Grant Aud., S. U. Coll. of Law. Child care avail. Call Jo at 479-9924 for details.	22 SPC Potluck: "Another Family for Peace." Grace Church, 813 Madison. 6:30 potluck, 7:30 program See p. 17 for details	23 Arthur Simon, Exec. Dir. of Bread for the World, will speak at Holy Cross Church, Dewitt, 4112 E. Genesee St. Call 446-0473 for details Sophie Quinn-Judge on WHEN-TV (5) Dialogue after late show & again at 6 am on 24th.	24 April PNL mailing party. 4-9 pm at SPC	25 Group Against Smokers Pollution (GASP) Arts & Crafts Fair at Tri-County Mall off Rte. 690 at Rte 31, Baldwinsville. Call 446-0104 for details.	26 GASP Arts & Crafts Fair (continued) NYS Films: "The History Book" (animated). SU Grant Aud. 7 & 10 pm, \$1.50. Excellent and palatable political ed. for kids 10 and over	27 GASP Arts & Crafts Fair (continued)
28	29 SPC Potluck: "Federal Budget: Fighting for New Priorities." Grace Church, 813 Madison. 6:30 potluck, 7:30 program. See p. 17 for details	30	31	SPC CALENDAR MARCH 1976		

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