



The Conspiracy To Destroy America's **SMOKESTACK INDUSTRIES**

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■ DESPITE the widespread belief that our nation is recovering from the recession, the American cities of Detroit, Pittsburgh, and a dozen others are still experiencing near-Depression levels of unemployment. Blue-collar workers formerly employed in the automobile, steel, rubber, and machine-tool industries — fields which traditionally formed

the backbone of the U.S. economy — find themselves in the demoralizing and frustrating circumstance of either trying to find new employment at much lower wages or going on Welfare and becoming part of America's structural unemployment problem. Although some rehiring has taken place in these industries, most of those jobs will never again exist. It

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The Bureau of Labor Statistics calculates that some 1.5 million jobs have been lost in our smokestack industries over the last five years. In 1974, for example, there were 1.02 million workers in the steel industry. Now there are less than 683,000 and U.S. steel production has dropped to one half of its 1974 level.

is difficult to imagine a more demoralizing situation.

Both the production levels and the work forces in the auto and steel sectors have dramatically declined. Only five years ago, the nation's auto industry reached an historic zenith in employment, directly providing jobs for 781,700 Americans. As of this summer, the industry employed only 487,190. If present trends continue, according to United Auto Workers projections, the industry's payrolls will fall to fewer than 350,000 within the next few years. Our steel industry is also in deep trouble. In 1974, there were nearly 1.02 million workers directly employed in steel. Today, there are less than 683,000, while U.S. steel production has dropped to almost half of what it was in 1974.

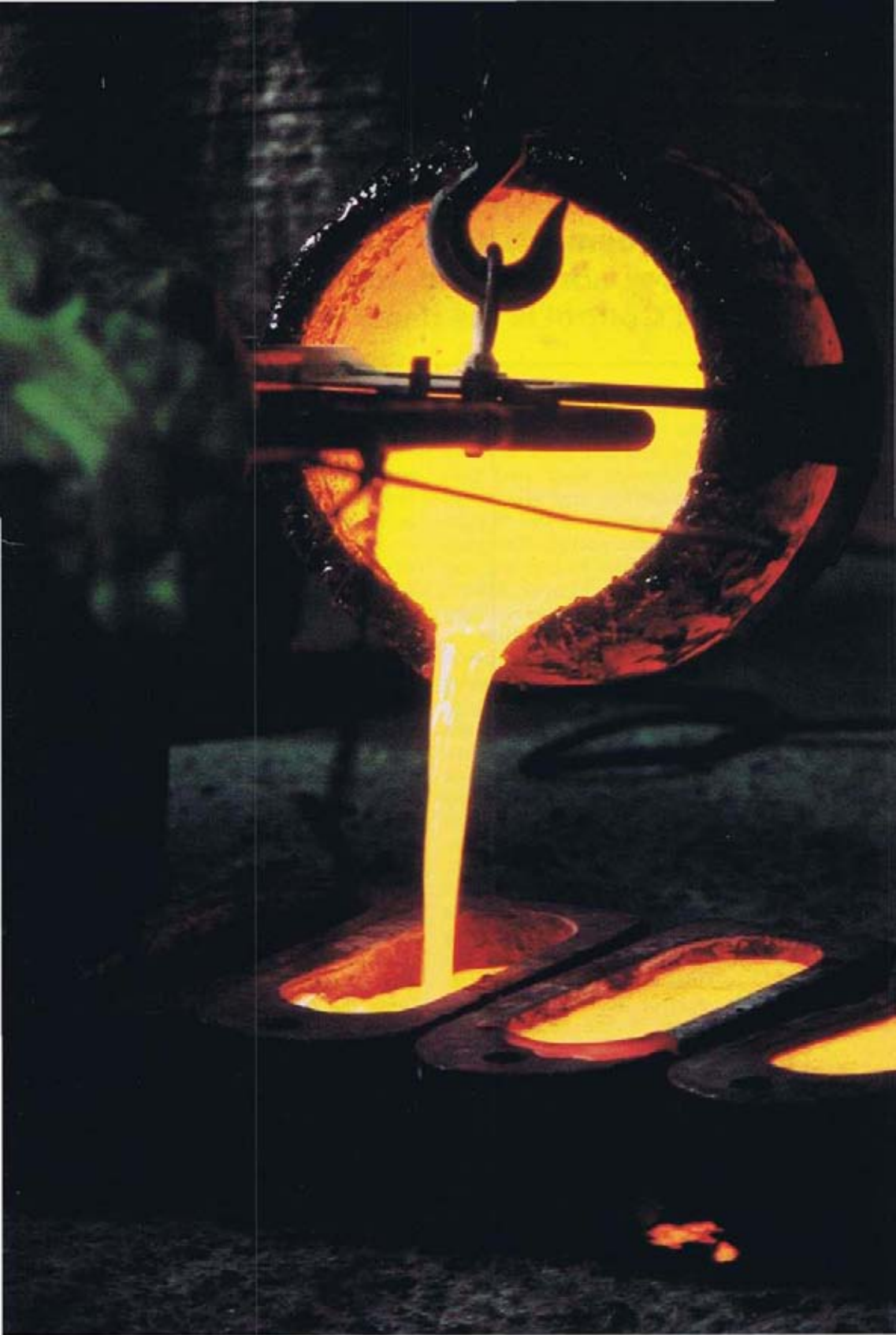
According to figures released by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, at least 1.5 million jobs have been lost in the heavy-manufacturing sectors over the last five years.

Some experts are now claiming, moreover, that both American steel and autos are in a long-term decline and will never recover their leadership as major U.S. industries. This means that displaced auto and steel workers are not experiencing a temporary layoff but permanent loss of the kind of work they've been

doing for years and the only work for which many of them have been trained.

As we indicated here last month, the primary blame for the dwindling fortunes of these areas of production cannot be assigned to foreign competition. The success of Japanese car makers in winning an increasing share of the U.S. auto market is more a symptom than a cause of the predicament in which Motown now finds itself. The decline of America's heavy industries is not something that "just happened." The massive layoffs of blue-collar workers from the steel and auto industries is a consequence of decades of anti-capitalist policies and no-growth propaganda.

Preparing the groundwork and setting the stage for America's Anti-Industrial Revolution were the "Liberal" Establishment's usual court intellectuals and academicians. Since at least the time of Plato, intellectual elitists have dreamed of an all-powerful state governed by philosopher kings . . . by which they naturally meant themselves. But, despite their arrogance and their grandiose daydreams, the pointy-heads do not pull the strings. The vast majority of them work quietly behind ivy-covered walls, contenting themselves with aweing fuzzy sophomores and living



The ecology and no-growth movements, organized and supported by the "Liberal" Establishment, have been used to stifle our smoke-stack industries. The plan is to slow U.S. industrial development; send our capital, jobs, and technology abroad; and, force us into a world merger. Control is the name of the game.

fatly off of the taxpayers. Without funding of their projects from the top, the academicians are isolated. But through their vast tax-exempt foundations and other support groups, *Insiders* of the "Liberal" Establishment provide hundreds of millions of dollars to buy and use the services of the lumpen intelligentsia to develop and implement their own plans for a collectivist future.

While America's entrepreneurs and working people were proudly building a magnificent industrial structure, the "Liberal" intellectuals were busily working in their subsidized ivory towers to undermine America and its capitalist system by eroding its constitutional institutions, attacking its ideals and premises, and sapping its moral self-confidence. They believe that free markets are "exploitative" and free men are innately depraved, craving instead a dictatorship ruled by the elite to curb man's selfish impulses and to enforce social brotherhood and harmony in the name of the Good of Society. And, they further believe that, since wealth is a "social product," men with property are not owners of their wealth at all — but merely "stewards charged with a social trust," and that such men should be properly subject to whatever political controls, taxes, and regulations

the elite deem it necessary to impose for the "social good."

Envious of the ability of creative entrepreneurs and working men to produce, these febrile intellectuals lash out powerfully in their impotence. If *they* cannot produce wealth, they will subjugate those who do. With enormous funding from would-be monopolists at the top — and fueled by lust for power — three intimately associated movements were created and developed in the 1970s which combined to form a full-scale assault on American industrial capability. These three avatars of the Kept Left were the futurist, ecology, and no-growth movements. Let us now examine some of the leading spokesmen for this Anti-Industrial Revolution and the sources of their funding.

The futurist movement is a band of academic fright peddlers who maintain that the world is doomed to any number of disasters ranging from nuclear holocaust to population explosion to environmental pollution to the absolute depletion of natural resources. They hold that one or all these disasters is "inevitable" — unless an all-powerful World Government is established with the authority to supersede the sovereignty of this and all other nations.

The central organization of these

disaster-oriented futurologists calls itself the World Future Society. According to its monthly magazine, *The Futurist*, the Movement began in the summer of 1966 in Washington, D.C., when its organizing committee met for the first time. Since then the World Future Society has brought together a wide variety of academicians, physical scientists, government bureaucrats, and social engineers to plan a collectivist future under the guise of predicting it.

According to *The Futurist*, most of the founders of the World Future Society were members of the Rand Corporation, a California-based think tank which works almost exclusively for the federal government. The Advisory Council of the World Future Society has included such worthies as John Dixon of Xerox, James Kunen of the Eugene and Agnes Meyer Foundation, and New Left co-founder Arthur Waskow of the pro-Soviet Institute for Policy Studies.

Early members of the board of trustees of the World Future Society were such establishment luminaries as Harvard professor Daniel Bell; Roger Blough, former chairman of U.S. Steel; Olaf Helmer of the Rand Corporation; Malcom Moos, president of the University of Minnesota; and, Philbrick Seitz, who was president of Rockefeller University. Among the directors of the society were Orville Freeman, former Secretary of Agriculture; Carl Madden, chief economist for the U.S. Chamber of Commerce; Arthur Brach, then senior editor for *Changing Times* magazine; and, Glenn T. Seaborg, long-time chairman of the old Atomic Energy Commission. Significantly, but not surprisingly, Bell, Blough, and Seaborg were also members of the Council on Foreign Relations, the elitist club of

the "Liberal" Establishment. *The Futurist* magazine has published many articles by members of the C.F.R., mostly promoting the Council's call for a New World Order and more government control.

The new Nixon Administration quickly moved to bring "futurists" onto the White House staff and created a special federal forum to organize their work. As *The Futurist* for August of 1970 observed with pride: "The National Goals Research Staff, created by President Nixon last year, has introduced future-oriented thinking at the highest level of the U.S. Government"

President Nixon selected his former law partner, Leonard Garment, to direct the National Goals Staff. Mr. Garment, described by his friends as a "very liberal Democrat," was aided in his futurist chores by Professor (now Senator) Daniel Patrick Moynihan, another very "Liberal" Democrat. In making his report on National Goals, Professor Moynihan declared in *The Futurist* for August 1970: "Given the inter-connections of things, it follows that there is no significant aspect of national life about which there is not likely to be a rather significant national policy. It may be a *hidden* policy."

Authoritarian "Liberals" find no problem in sacrificing individual rights, whole industries, and private property to the alleged necessity of having Big Government plan every aspect of our lives.

The disaster mongers of the futurology movement acted as bogeymen for the Establishment *Insiders* to frighten naïve students and other Americans into joining movements — directed from the top — to push for more government control of our economy and our lives. This gang set the stage for such front offen-

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sives as those of the No Nukes kooks, the ecology freaks, and the No Growth reactionaries. While the aims of these movements were allegedly benevolent — to save mankind or the environment from destruction — their thrust was always anti-industry, anti-jobs, and anti-worker. The target, above all, was America's productive system — especially the heavy "smokestack" industries which had traditionally formed the backbone of the U.S. economy.

In 1968 a conspiratorial organization of elitists was founded by international *Insider* Aurelio Peccei, vice chairman of the board of Olivetti Business Machines, a director of Fiat, and chairman of the Committee for Atlantic Economic Cooperation. Called the Club of Rome, the group is comprised of reliable "Liberals" among Establishment scientists, humanists, economists, academicians, planners, and select industrialists from different countries. Its purpose is to "study the problems of the world future from a global standpoint."

According to the August 1971 issue of *The Futurist*, Mr. Peccei "urges a union of the Atlantic nations — solidarity with the Soviet bloc — in order to cope with urgent global problems." As Peccei explains: "The time has therefore come for us to decide and to demonstrate to the Soviets that we want not to weaken but indeed to strengthen them, and make them our companions and world ally — of course, on certain conditions. These must be reasonable conditions and, again, ought to be dictated by an objective study and consideration of our planet's situation during the next decades."

Certainly the "Liberal" Establish-

ment's public policy has been to strengthen the Soviet Union's military-industrial complex by transferring huge amounts of strategic technology and easy credit to the Reds which they could not have gained by themselves. This is important here because it was done at the expense of American capital, American workers, and the American economy.

The Roman Clubbers attracted some attention in 1972 with a book titled *The Limits Of Growth*, which was marketed by the Club as part of its "Project on the Predicament of Mankind." The book reported the results of a study carried out by Professor Dennis Meadows at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in which a computer was used to analyze contrived statistical trends in world population, agriculture, use of natural resources, pollution, and consumption. The idea was said to be to predict the world's future on the basis of all this data.

The conclusions of the study, funded by a grant from the Volkswagen Foundation, made the Prophet Jeremiah look like an optimist. At every turn of the crank that M.I.T. computer spat out the same answer: disaster. Economic progress would soon come to a screeching halt. Either pollution would engulf the earth, world population would grow faster than food production, or we would run out of natural resources with which to sustain continued economic growth. Among the major conclusions of this concocted computer analysis were the following:

- Global population growth and industrialization are rapidly approaching the limits of the earth's capacity to support them.

- We are now living in a "golden age" in which the average quality of life is higher than it ever was in the past or will be again.

- Industrialization and capital investment disturb the world's environmental capacity more than does population growth. Highly industrialized societies are "self-extinguishing," either from resource exhaustion or international strife over pollution and resource rights.

- Programs to control population are inherently self-defeating. If they work and lead to higher material standards and food supplies for each person, as is hoped, these very improvements will relax the pressure on numbers and trigger another spurt of population.

The London *Observer* summarized the gloomy projections as follows: "Today's situation of declining natural resources will eventually force a steady reduction of population and a falling 'quality of life.' But if the drain on the earth's resources is cut — either by saving critical materials or finding more of them — the result may be a runaway pollution crisis which brings population crashing to a fraction of its former level. Yet, if pollution is controlled, the computer predicts that a 'crowding crisis' will develop which will steady the population growth but drag down the quality of life severely."

The authors of *The Limits To Growth* wrote: "We can thus say with some confidence that, under the assumption of no major change in the present system, population and industrial growth will certainly stop within the next century, at the latest." We could expect mass global starvation; a used-up earth ravaged by exploitative capitalists; and, the poisoning of the atmosphere. Any or all of these disasters would occur as a sudden, world-scale catastrophe. Oh, it was very scary stuff!

So what policy recommendations did these global planners advocate in *The Limits To Growth*? Did they

advocate an increase of production through less government meddling and more economic freedom? No, indeed! They initiated the pursuit of public policies to put the brakes on American production and growth. As the report put it, industrial growth must be "restrained" to the point of "equilibrium." The first step that industrially advanced nations like the United States must take, according to this computerized hustle, "would be for them to encourage a deceleration in the growth of their own material output while, at the same time, assisting the developing nations in their efforts to advance their economies more rapidly."

In other words, even though the threat is a global one, it is the United States and other economically developed nations which must be brought down — and this would be done by sacrificing our standard of living through a forced global redistribution of the existing wealth to socialist Third World regimes and East bloc Communist tyrannies. It is assuredly no coincidence that this program is identical to that of the "New International Economic Order" pushed by the Communists. As the *San Francisco Chronicle* reported so succinctly, the Club of Rome openly promoted the notion that Western "society must drastically redistribute its wealth and alter its lifestyle or face a disastrous collapse."

Things were so grave, you see, that only a World Socialist State could save us from imminent extinction. To accomplish this slowdown of industrial growth in America, the rate at which natural resources would be used up had to be cut by a staggering seventy-five percent, generation of "pollution" must be reduced by fifty percent, capital investment slashed by forty percent, and the birth-rate reduced by thirty percent.

Of course, these planners did not need an M.I.T. computer to reach those conclusions. This had already been their party line for a long time. It was part of the internationalist program so to alter the United States that it could be comfortably merged with the U.S.S.R. in a World Government. To achieve such a Great Merger, America would have to be brought down to the level of the needy less-developed economies. And *The Limits To Growth* and the movements it was created to spawn were important means of conditioning Americans to accept as "inevitable" the scenario which the collectivist conspirators had planned all along. The report's "scientific" posturing was to impress those awed by computers and academically programmed studies.

Thus *The Limits To Growth* report, which contained over fifty graphs, charts, and tables, was filled with scientific jargon to snow its readers into accepting bizarre pseudo-scientific conclusions. The book was replete with references to computer models and such terminology as "feedback loops" and "behavioral modes" and "dynamic equilibrium." But all of that was bait in a hard-line appeal for a massive government takeover of American industry based upon ludicrous ecological fright peddling. It was reasoned that few would dare dispute the wisdom of a giant computer. Never mind that what a computer feeds back is only the logical consequence of data programmed into it by its operators.

The Establishment's news media uncritically spread the gospel of bad news from *The Limits To Growth*. The C.F.R.-dominated *New York Times* trembled and quaked with panic stories pointing to the approach of the end of the world. When a refutation of the Club of Rome book came out a year later, however,

the national media were suddenly deaf, dumb, and blind.

A team at the Science Policy Research Unit of the University of Sussex in England had examined in detail the limits-to-growth claims and published its conclusions in a book titled *Models Of Doom*, subtitled "A Critique Of 'The Limits to Growth.'" Using its own computers, the distinguished group at Sussex University came to far different conclusions and reported: "The [*Limits To Growth*] model as a whole, and its sensitivity to a few key assumptions . . . are highly debatable and in our view difficult to justify."

The Sussex scientists observed: "It is essential to look at the political bias and the values implicitly and explicitly present in any study of social systems. The apparently detached neutrality of a computer model is as illusory as it is persuasive." Strongly disagreeing with the Club of Rome's disparagement of technological innovation as a way out of the human predicament, the Sussex scientists wrote: "The inclusion of technical progress in the MIT model in sectors from which it is omitted has the effect of indefinitely postponing the catastrophes which the model otherwise predicts."

But the *Models Of Doom* refutation was, as we have noted, all but ignored by the "Liberal" press. It didn't matter, after all; the *Insiders* of the "Liberal" Establishment had a program to push!

A frenzied movement of hysterical "environmentalists" was now launched and funded by the Rockefellers and their friends. While the Council on Foreign Relations pushed for a New World Economic Order, the Rockefeller family (which dominates the C.F.R.) supported a plethora of radical environmentalist organizations and international

planning agencies. For example, there was the Rockefeller-sponsored *Comité International de L'Organisation Scientifique*, with headquarters in Geneva. This group amounted to a society of world planners — bureaucrats already administering and preparing to administer the affairs of World Government for the ruling elite.

Meanwhile, fanatical doomsdayers like Paul Ehrlich (author of a best-selling fraud called *The Population Bomb*) were grinding out propaganda aimed toward college and university students which warned that we were running out of resources because the human population was "exploding"! Dr. Ehrlich declared: "It is already too late to avoid famines that will kill millions, possibly by 1975." He went on to predict the total pollution and death of the world's oceans by 1979.

As the Vietnik movement waned, environmentalism and no-growth were cranked up to replace it. The ecology game opened up a whole new audience of potential recruits. After all, the phony "peace" movement had its limitations. No American with any knowledge of Communism or sense of patriotism wanted to participate in a demonstration led by schoolboy Lenins carrying an enemy flag. But concern over the quality of our environment transcends social, economic, and religious lines.

As with the other contrived movements — peace, poverty, and civil rights — the ecology rage was used from the start to recruit the energetic mindless and to push Marxist objectives. Professor Ehrlich of Stanford called quickly for government planning, saying that "somehow we've got to change from a growth-oriented exploitative system to one focused on stability and conservation." Others were a little more ex-

plicit. Writing in Harvard's radical *Old Mole*, ecology activist Tom Gallagher declared:

"One of the functions of the left in the United States is to show how environmental destruction is based upon a system of human exploitation and how only the abolition of capitalism will provide the probability for the preservation of the earth as an inhabitable place Ecological destruction on a global scale is a direct product of American imperialism Not until imperialism is defeated in the Third World and is replaced by socialism at home can we begin to deal with the problem of the environment in a rational way. At this point in history the ecologists' best friends are the Viet Cong."

Writing in *The Futurist* ten years ago, Glenn T. Seaborg of the C.F.R. and the World Future Society declared:

"The laws of the marketplace can no longer be the principal guide of the affairs of man. Many natural limitations and manifestations of human stress are already indicating that we are going to have to take a larger, longer look at human affairs on this planet and try to determine more rationally where we want to go and how we want to get there. Thinking and planning on such a cosmic scale as this implies are naturally frightening to most of us. We have learned well the lesson of human fallibility in planning. Planning has always implied restrictions on individual freedom and the need to forego some immediate gratification to achieve a future gain. Often such a sacrifice did not seem necessary."

"What may be most significant as both a cause and an effect in establishing world peace will be a sublimation of man's territorial in-

stinct, and the aggressiveness that is tied to it, to a new feeling, one of the communality of man in the possession of the entire earth. Men are already in some measure sharing the earth through international travel, communication and exchange of resources. As this sharing is enhanced by a parallel releasing of the age-old bond of fear of scarcity — and adjustments in the economic system we have built to institutionalize that bond — we will begin to see the true meaning of the brotherhood of man materialize. And, as this happens, the tribal loyalty that Arthur Koestler has seen as the root of much of man's conflict will be broken and shift to a new global loyalty — a loyalty of man to all his fellowmen.

"I have no doubt that many people envision the concept of such a complex, efficient and organic mankind as a nightmare — an ant-hill civilization in which individuals are mere automatons or mindless cells in an emotionless body. I do not agree with such thinking."

The environmental decade of the 1970s was given its public send-off on April 22, 1970, when ecology "teach-ins" were simultaneously held at nine hundred colleges and four thousand high schools all over the country. The program, fronted by radical Senator Gaylord Nelson and coordinated by a radical named Denis Hayes, had taken shape from a meeting of student ecofreaks financed and sponsored by the taxpayers through the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, then headed by Secretary Robert Finch.

It is significant that April twenty-second was chosen as the date for the national "Earth Day" teach-ins; it happened also to be the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of V.I. Lenin. A coincidence, you think?

The student activists just picked a convenient weekend? Hardly. As we noted here last month, April 22, 1970, fell on a Wednesday. For months in advance the radical and Communist press had been detailing plans to celebrate the centennial of Lenin's birthday. April twenty-second was as familiar a date to those people as Washington's birthday is to real Americans. The selection of Lenin's hundredth birthday for Earth Day is an excellent indication of who was running the ecology movement from the start.

Another indictment comes from the contents of a 367-page manifesto called *The Environmental Handbook*, sponsored by the steering committee of Earth Day. The book is thoroughly Marxist in orientation and includes selections from the writings of all the leading environmental activists. Scanning its pages, one quickly perceives that these green revolutionaries are medievalists at heart, yearning for an imagined bucolic past that never existed. Life was nasty, brutish, and short in pre-industrial times. What the radical ecologists were calling for was the abandonment of our high standard of living and a return to the primitive drudgery from which our forebears worked so hard to escape.

Throughout *The Environmental Handbook* there runs an antipathy toward material progress and an attack on industrial growth. In a chapter entitled "Suggestions Toward An Ecological Platform," Keith Murray stridently declares: "The runaway U.S. growth economy must be stabilized to halt the destruction of the world resource base before we choke in the waste products of our affluence. There should be a thorough reassessment and reversal of unlimited economic growth as a national goal. The first and most crucial step

is a guaranteed income, to break the compulsory link between jobs and income that has been a principal stimulus to growthmanship."

Where the dimbulb ecologizers think the wealth will come from to provide a guaranteed annual income after production has ceased is something of a riddle. But their policy proposals have been increasingly adopted by the federal government.

What cannot be overemphasized is that the ecology con game was made into a movement in and around the Council on Foreign Relations, the Club of Rome, *Insider*-controlled corporations, and the key tax-exempt foundations. Only the Establishment elite has the ability to turn on the money and media so quickly to build movements which serve its purpose. And what was that purpose? It was ever bigger government with ever more power in the hands of the elitists. It was, eventually, that ultimate monopoly: World Government. Try to explain it any other way.

The previously mentioned National Teach-In, organized by Gaylord Nelson and Denis Hayes, was funded by the Rockefellers' Conservation Foundation, the Ford-backed Audubon Society, the tax-exempt American Conservation Society, and a number of other Establishment foundations. In his revealing book, *The Politics Of Ecology*, James Ridgeway observes that "the top staff was imported from the Kennedy Institute at Harvard and paid for by foundations." Ridgeway goes on to say of the Earth Day Teach-In that "the big business conservationists didn't buy off the movement; they built it." An examination of the entries in *Advertising Age* shortly after the event reveals that the largest advertisers supporting the radical project included the Establishment firms of Proctor & Gam-

ble, General Electric, B.F. Goodrich, Du Pont, Standard Oil of New Jersey, International Paper, Phillips Petroleum, Coca-Cola, Chevron Oil, General Motors, and Atlantic Richfield. You *do* get the point.

The Ford Foundation is one which has been involved up to its red eyeballs in the environmental movement, especially through its longtime conservation front, Resources for the Future, Inc. The main man behind the founding of this key organization was William S. Paley, "Liberal" former chairman of CBS and a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. Resources for the Future, Inc. has also received millions of dollars from the Rockefeller Foundation and has boasted such leading figures in its operations as Robert O. Anderson, chairman of the Atlantic Richfield oil company, board member of Chase Manhattan Bank, and a Director of the Council on Foreign Relations. Anderson, who is a big booster of the United Nations, chairman of the Aspen Institute for Humanistic Studies, and a close associate of David Rockefeller, has also been in attendance at the secret meetings of the Bilderbergers.

Investigative reporter Alan Stang wrote an article on the Alaska Pipeline for the March 1981 issue of this journal in which he showed how Arco chairman Robert O. Anderson used the obstructionist "environmentalism" scam to delay the development of oil sources at Prudho Bay in a drive to knock out the smaller, independent companies that were competing with giants like Exxon and Arco. For example, Anderson is said to have donated a quarter of a million dollars to an ecology lobby called the Garden Club of America — one of the most vociferous of the organizations that opposed the Alaska oil pipeline because of its alleged

ill effects on the sacred tundra.

But it is the Rockefellers and their organs which have been the prime movers in the whole futurist/ecology/no-growth movement. As James Ridgeway observes in his book, the "neo-Malthusian line achieved increased importance when the Rockefellers put money into the population-control movement by financing the Population Council, Planned Parenthood, and the Population Reference Bureau . . ."

The drive for human population control is still an integral aspect of the futurist/no-growth/ecology movement. Since the earth is running out of food and natural resources, the line goes, population growth must be stifled to avoid famine and disaster. Ignoring the Free Market solution of production with emphasis on savings for capital and advancing technology, the modern Malthusians madly focus on the crisis of too many people living off of too few resources. In his book *Grow Or Die!* James Weber tells us that "the first large foundations to make grants in the population field were the Rockefeller and the Carnegie Foundation. These foundations were joined by the Ford Foundation, which, for example, gave 80 percent of all its population grants to Rockefeller's Population Council . . ."

"Throughout this time and up to the present day, there has been an explosion in the number of organizations promoting population control, including such groups as Zero Population Growth, the Population Crisis Committee, the Association for Voluntary Sterilization, Friends of the Earth, the Hugh Moore Fund, the Population Institute, Planned Parenthood-World Population, Compulsory Birth Control for All Americans, Inc., the Coalition for a National Population Policy, and the

Council on Population and Environment, among others. Long-standing conservationist groups have also joined the population control movement, with the Sierra Club, for example, 'whose members are drawn from the same social and economic classes that populate the Social Register,' publishing in conjunction with Ballantine Books Paul Ehrlich's overpopulation tome, *The Population Bomb*."

The Rockefeller Fund was also heavily involved in the environmental scam, as was Laurance Rockefeller, who is chairman of the Citizens Advisory Committee on Environmental Quality, and who also established the influential Conservation Foundation. Even the late Nelson Rockefeller paid a friendly ghost to produce a book for him entitled *Our Environment Can Be Saved*, the theme of which was that, if government is given enough power and spends enough tax money, we can be saved from the impending environmental holocaust. A Rockefeller cousin, Robert Winthrop, was a leader of the North American Wildlife Federation when he was not busy with the board of directors of the Rockefeller-controlled First National City Bank in New York.

Obviously, as Jon Margolis noted in the March 1970 issue of *Esquire*, the ecology business "is not a poor-man's movement." He pointed out that "the conservationists . . . are not steel workers or assembly-line workers or small farmers or hotel clerks. They are Wall Street lawyers and junior faculty and editors and writers and corporate vice-presidents . . ."

Once again we see a "movement" in which the foot soldiers are misled students, radicalized hippies, starry-eyed idealists, and shallow "Liberals" from the suburbs who had their

minds laundered in Poly Sci One at Ding Dong State University. But the generals — as in the peace, poverty, and "civil rights" movements — are the penthouse plutocrats of the "Liberal" Establishment who are using the environmental movement as they used the others, to gain more and more control over potential competitors as they acquire more political power for themselves.

In *The Politics Of Ecology*, James Ridgeway makes the argument that "the ecologists, ideologues for the ecology crusade, ironically function as a cover for the energy game. They talk in radical terms about reorganizing society, about population control, but they merely serve to distract attention from the central issue." The "central issue" referred to by Ridgeway is the drive for monopolistic control of energy and other resources by giant multinational corporations and banks. The corporate-socialist *Insiders* gladly crank money into Leftwing causes and activities in order to increase their power over people and resources by expanding the power of Big Government, the policies of which they control and use to their own advantage.

The ruckus caused by the "pressure from below" is used to demand more government as the alleged "solution" to some crisis supposedly threatening mankind. The more powerful the government is made, the more power is at the disposal of the special-interest elitists who control it. The generous grants and subsidies of the "anti-establishment" radicals is not an expression of altruism on the part of the Establishment *Insiders* but a means for manipulating the kooks for power and profit. And this strategy certainly works — as it worked for J.P. Morgan when he underwrote the *New Republic*.

Space limitations do not permit

examination of the myriad organizations and operatives involved in the Anti-Industrial Revolution. But we would be remiss if we failed to mention at least some of the key activists and note their ties to the Establishment they make such a show of denouncing. One of the most famous and powerful of these is Ralph Nader. Mr. Nader is best known for his activities in the field of consumerism, another Establishment-promoted offensive, but he is also a major force in environmentalism. As the self-appointed guardian of the interests of consumers, Nader has been all but glorified as a saint in the Establishment media, getting better press than even the late Mao Tse-tung.

Ten years ago your correspondent was assured by a reporter for *Hard Times*, a radical underground sheet that originally carried Nader's name on its masthead, that Ralph and his army of legal assistants and associates would be the key bureaucrats of the future, working "towards a new definition of a governmental system, in which lawyers are a commanding elite. Nader's fundamental task is not so much to protect consumers as it is to organize his own constituency, the legal profession, for the assumption of power in a post-industrial society."

According to the Associated Press, "Consumer advocate Ralph Nader has proposed that corporations that abuse the public interest should be transferred to public trusteeship and their officers sent to jail." He would also require all corporations to operate under a federal license, subject to revocation by federal authority in the way radio and TV stations operate. Federal licensing of corporations would extend the government's already awesome regulatory powers over business enterprises. It

would be a giant step toward even more government control over the means of production. But, of course, the licensing agencies would be controlled by the usual *Insiders* of the "Liberal" Establishment.

And where does Ralph Nader get his money to operate? According to the *Indianapolis Star* for July 2, 1970, his financial angels include the Ford, Field, Carnegie, and Rockefeller Brothers foundations. Other benefactors who have bankrolled Nader include The Midas International Foundation, the New York Foundation, the New World Foundation, Chase Manhattan Bank, E.I. du Pont de Nemours, Ford Motor Company, General Electric, Mobil Oil, Standard Oil of Indiana, and David Rockefeller.

Another key influence in the radical no-growth con game has been the notorious Barry Commoner. This radical ecologist was responsible for starting the phosphate-detergent scare which turned out to be a phony after millions of tax dollars had been spent to meet government regulations. Like so many radical environmentalists, Barry Commoner makes no bones about his Marxist frame of reference. Commoner, who ran for President on the lunatic-fringe Citizens Party in 1980, makes the following admission in his book *The Poverty In Power*: "Economists and other students of capitalism will recognize that the basic ideas I have discussed are among those first put forward by Karl Marx. All this suggests that it may be time to view the faults of the United States capitalist economic system from a vantage point of alternative . . ."

Other prominent names in the anti-industrial ecology movement include Gary Snyder and E.F. Schumacher. Snyder was the reigning Buddhist poet of the West Coast

environmentalist sub-culture and a close associate of Jerry Brown, later the Medfly Governor of California. E.F. Schumacher is a British socialist who authored the popular book titled *Small Is Beautiful*, which also had a powerful influence on Jerry Brown, who as governor implemented many of the anti-development policies called for in the book.

There are now vast numbers of environmental, ecological, and no-growth organizations and fronts. We cannot possibly mention them all here. Some of the most influential include: the Worldwatch Institute, the Union of Concerned Scientists, the Conservation Foundation, Friends of the Earth, the Sierra Club, the Environmental Defense Fund, the Natural Resources Defense Council, and the Ecology Action Educational Institute. All of the above organizations were contributors to a task-force report sponsored by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. The study was published in 1977 as a book entitled *The Unfinished Agenda: The Citizen's Policy Guide To Environmental Issues*.

In the tradition of other Establishment-sponsored "scientific" reports,* such as the previously dis-

*Other doomsday "studies" have included one called the "Final Staff Report of the Energy Policy Project of the Ford Foundation," which was published in 1974 as a volume titled *A Time To Choose: America's Energy Future*. This one examined various rigged scenarios and made projections of different rates of energy and resource use, depending on what policies were assumed. In its concluding chapter, *A Time To Choose* makes a number of statist recommendations for the achievement of "national goals." The Ford Foundation planners advocated using government manipulation of the economy to slow the rate of energy growth to an average of about two percent annually — then, after the year 1985, imposing a "Zero Energy Growth" pattern in order to conserve scarce resources and avoid

cussed *Limits To Growth*, the Rockefeller Brothers Fund report had the same basic theme: the need for a massive increase in governmental planning. The stated objective was to get the United States away from heavy industry, nuclear power, and economic growth and move us toward a more decentralized "soft energy" approach — such as windmills and solar power. Energy expert Dr. Petr Beckmann has explained why this "soft energy" alternative is woefully inadequate to a modern industrial economy.[†] But, of course, it was precisely the growth-oriented industrial economy of this country that the ecology radicals and their Establishment backers had targeted. The game was to finish off what is left of unregulated American industry.

Our industrial growth and development would be slowed while our

ecological catastrophes. The Ford report and its conclusions are answered and refuted in *No Time To Confuse*, a critique written by ten experts for the Institute for Contemporary Studies in San Francisco. The critical findings were aptly summed up as follows in the first paragraph of the first chapter: "A Time to Choose — better titled A Time to Confuse — regrettably confuses energy and environmental issues, enters the Guinness Book Of World Records for most errors of economic analysis and fact in one book, is arrogant in assertions of waste and inefficiency, is paternalist in its conception of energy consumption management, is politically naïve, and uses demagoguery. That is a shocking indictment of a Final Report of a \$4 million project financed by the Ford Foundation." Other comprehensive refutations of the limits-to-growth claims are *The Ultimate Resource* by Julian Simon; *Grow Or Die!* by James A. Weber; *The Politics Of Ecology* by James Ridgeway; *Government Against The Economy* (see especially Chapter One) by George Reisman; and, *The Myth Of Overpopulation* by Rousas Rushdoony.

[†]Petr Beckmann, *Why Soft Technology Will Not Be America's Energy Salvation*, The Golem Press, Box 1342, Boulder, Colorado 80306, \$2.00 postpaid.

capital and technology was sent abroad to competitors. The blueprints for stifling U.S. industry to make possible our being forced into a world merger were drawn up by C.F.R. draftsmen decades ago, planting the collectivist seeds that would become the strangling weeds of the no-growth movement.

One of those who plowed the groundwork for the *Insiders* in this field was Amory Lovins, who was a major contributor to the 1977 Rockefeller Brothers Fund task force cited above. He was also one of the blueprint draftsmen who wrote in the C.F.R. journal about the ecological plan. Senator Steve Symms (R-Idaho), while he was a member of the House Subcommittee on Energy and the Environment, gave the following evaluation of Mr. Lovins:

"In October, 1976, *Foreign Affairs*, the quarterly journal of the Establishment's secretive Council on Foreign Relations, carried a treatise by one Amory B. Lovins, a youthful Oxford dropout who was identified only as British Representative of Friends of the Earth. Until the appearance of that article in the Eastern Establishment's most important journal, hardly anyone in the energy industry or in government had ever heard of Lovins. He advocates dealing with fuel problems (actually created by Big Government and the energy cartel) through an immediate conversion to what he terms 'soft' energy technologies such as solar, wind power, biomass conversion, etc., as opposed to 'hard' technologies such as coal and nuclear.

"Mr. Lovins, like Barry Commoner of the Center for the Biology of Natural Systems at Washington University, also recommends the elimination of electric generating stations and distributions systems, replacing them with small backyard

systems using *only* the soft technologies. *The Lovins treatise . . . is a formula for deindustrialization*; for assuring the looting of America by the oil cartel; and its implementation would be the beginning of America's 'Great Leap Backward.' " (Emphasis added.)

Senator Symms was right. All we have to do to confirm that is to look at the subsequent statistics of auto, steel, and other heavy-industry workers laid off and not rehired. It was all planned at the top.

It was kooks and radical reactionaries like Amory Lovins, Ralph Nader, Barry Commoner, Paul Ehrlich, and Denis Hayes who started the contrived ecology/no-growth chorus. But the thing to note is that they are nourished by the Rockefeller/C.F.R. elite. Without funding and guidance from this financial and social elite, you would never have heard of any of them. They were simply employed to crank out the Big Con as a cover for the conspiratorial program to sabotage America's competitive advantage, exporting our wealth and our jobs overseas, and calling for a "new economy" based almost exclusively on high-tech and service industries.

Of course Establishment support and funding did not stop with the propaganda phase of the movement. It continued as radical demands were translated over the years into public policy. Ford and Rockefeller money was soon financing a battery of radical lawyers to stop industrial development and new projects through lawsuits on behalf of the environment. Even as early as 1971, for instance, the Ford Foundation had fattened the purse of the Environmental Law Institute by \$152,000; donated over \$37,000 to the University of Michigan "to study the role of the courts in reviewing decisions

affecting the environment"; given \$20,500 to the Association of American Law Schools and the extremist American Association for the Advancement of Science to hold a symposium on the relation of the law to environmental problems; and, granted \$10,000 to the University of California to finance the *Ecology Law Quarterly*.

Readers will recall how environmental legalists used court injunctions to delay the construction of the Alaska Pipeline for years while the U.S. was made vulnerable to the O.P.E.C. oil cartel and the price of crude oil was run through the roof, further crippling production in the West. As one drawback, the courts required an "environmental impact study" before the pipeline could be finished. Such studies fill whole rooms with paper. They take months, in many cases years, to compile. Your energy costs have been increased nearly four hundred percent during the last ten years as a result of delaying that pipeline and other projects. Add the impact on heavy industry generally and you begin to see the crucial relevance of the no-growth campaign to the current plight of laid-off steel and auto workers.

Because of the propaganda campaign, the lobbying efforts, and the judicial harassment, many growth-stifling laws have been enacted by Congress. To name only a few of these anti-energy and anti-industrial acts, consider the following: the Surface Mining and Control Act; the Federal Safety and Health Act; the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act; the Federal Land Policy and Management Act; the National Forest Management Act; the Alaska Claims Settlement Act; the Federal Coal Leasing Amendments Act; the Mining in the Parks Act; the Clean Air Act; the Clean Air Act Amend-

ment; the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act; and, the Community Health and Environment Surveillance System Act. And these are merely a few such laws, primarily affecting only the use of coal.

If the United States had had a fully free market in the energy field, it would not have been vulnerable to traumatic price hikes by O.P.E.C. Indeed, if it had a free market in energy, instead of the numerous governmental impediments now imposed largely by the ecology promoters, American industry would already have developed around coal — which we have in super-abundance — as a major fuel.

Meanwhile, America's rate of savings, investment, capital formation, and economic growth have all suffered tremendously as a consequence of the no-growth policies of government which were promoted, enacted, and implemented by the "Liberal" Establishment's ecology stooges. Taxation and inflation have also been combined as a potent weapon in the war against new capital accumulation and growth. The cost of government regulations alone has added hundreds of billions of dollars to the backs of U.S. producers. We have also suffered a bold attack on private property rights, the cornerstone of Free Market capitalism. Writing in the April 1979 issue of *The Freeman*, Charles Batten observed:

"Federal and state environmental protection acts, coastal zone protection acts, air and water pollution control laws, forest practice acts, surface mining control acts, wild and scenic rivers acts, and endangered species acts are some of the laws passed since 1970 that authorize government agencies to impose their authority over the resource owners. They have usurped the property own-

er's control over his property. Ownership implies control. If a person holding a deed does not control the use of the property it describes, he does not truly own it."

Control is the name of the game. And it is time for American workers to wake up to what is happening.

The slowing of U.S. productivity, the ongoing destruction of our industrial base, the exportation of American capital and jobs to our foreign competitors, the creation of a permanent Welfare class in America, and the conversion of the U.S. into a service economy — all of this was planned and promoted by agents of the Establishment *Insiders*. They told us well in advance what to expect. And we have since seen how they "projected" the future which they planned. The theme was that the U.S. was going to become a service economy, and that the traditional "smokestack" industries were on the way out as industrial "dinosaurs." They said it would happen, and conditioned the American people to accept the "inevitable" as if it were a natural process as inescapable as aging. But they made it happen by manipulating public policy.

If your job has been destroyed in the process, know that it was no accident. It was done on purpose, and it is time to fight back.

Recognize what is happening and join us in the battle to expose and defeat these conspirators. And join us also in advocacy of the powerful alternative ideals of less government and more individual freedom. We must champion the concepts and institutions of individual liberty, private property, free markets, and limited constitutional government. As Thoreau once observed, "Government never of itself furthered any enterprise but by the alacrity with which it got out of the way." ■ ■