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How Communist Are We?

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■ SINCE THIS COUNTRY has been creeping, walking, and running toward collectivism for over thirty years, it should not be surprising that this year, as in the past, the Left has again made great progress. The fact that the nation is still outwardly prosperous is hardly due to increasing doses of Marxism, but to the phenomenal viability of what remains of our free economy. To put it bluntly: The American economy is just pretty tough to destroy. But it can be done; in fact it is being done with ever-increasing effectiveness.

Note that the House Committee on Government Operations has revealed that the worth of property nationalized by the federal government now exceeds \$355 billion — up more than a third in the last ten years alone. Note that direct and indirect government employment now accounts for twenty-five percent of all employment in the nation; that the value of goods and services taken off the market by all government units last year accounted for more than twenty-

five percent of our entire Gross National Product. Note that government-held lands now exceed the combined areas of California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Arizona, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and South Dakota — the federal government owning more than a third of all of the land in the United States and the state and local governments owning another five percent. Note that the total value of federal holdings exceeds the assessed valuations of all farms, livestock, and farm implements in America *plus* the assessed valuation of our fifty largest cities.

How Communist are we? We'll let you answer that one.

I

IT WAS KARL MARX who noted that one of the primary requisites for the establishment of Communism is the "Centralization of credit in the hands of the State. . . ." Lenin had a corollary to Marx's axiom. He observed that "the surest way to destroy a capitalist nation is to debauch its currency." The past year has seen continuing activity in this Communist program within the United States. During 1966, the value (or purchasing power) of the American dollar was again debased by more than four percent. Projected over a decade, this continuing trend means financial disaster for those Americans who depend upon savings, fixed incomes, and pensions. It is a planned attack on the frugal middle class; it subsidizes debt and penalizes saving.

How do our politicians and bureau-

crats debauch the currency? Since the Marxist design for centralization of credit in the hands of the federal government is for all practical purposes an accomplished fact, it has become a part of our national economic life for our federal money managers to manipulate the American currency. Fiat money and inflated credit are made to circulate through the economy bidding up prices and destroying the value of savings and fixed means. In October of 1965, bank deposits amounted to \$157 billion and circulating currency to \$35.5 billion — a total of \$192.5 billion. Between then and now, a period of moderate recession with high interest rates ostensibly to try and control its own dangerous inflation, the government has inflated the money supply still further. By February of 1967, bank deposits totalled \$161.4 billion and currency was up to \$37.8 billion — for a total of \$199.2 billion. During the same period, our gold stock, which theoretically backs our money supply, sank to a thirty-year low, dropping from \$13.9 billion to \$13.2 billion. As collectivism has grown and our money systematically reduced in value, America has suffered an \$11 billion gold loss in only ten years. We are clearly in trouble.

Indicative of the fact that Americans are losing faith in their currency is the continued disappearance of our silver coins — with their intrinsic worth of ninety percent of face value — presumably into the piggy banks of those who have studied enough economic history to know what is coming. The coins of inherent value are being replaced with token sandwiches of nickel and copper, which in the case of our quarters, for instance, have an intrinsic worth of only slightly over two cents. Faced with the effect of Gresham's Law,* and learning that people prefer real money to the

virtually valueless peanut-butter quarters, the Treasury is now planning to remove from circulation even what real quarters are left as they pass through the banks.

The fiat money, government bonds, and social security programs are all defended as having behind them the integrity of the United States government. May we ask: What integrity? The government is now spending billions more than it takes in but refuses to cut costs; permits France, which owes us tens of billions, to make massive demands on our gold supplies as part of de Gaulle's announced efforts to destroy the American dollar; prints un-backed currency to pay for its irresponsible deficits; and even replaces our silver coins with two-cent slugs. The U.S. Government is so full of integrity that it has now stooped to forging dates on our coins† to cover up its monetary problems. On May 3, 1967, *Associated Press* announced that the House Banking Committee has gone so far as to approve legislation ending the redemption of one-dollar silver certificates — outright currency repudiation. Integrity? A promise from our government is worth little more than what is expedient to whichever group of collectivists is in power at the moment. Not so? If our Marxists have not bankrupted us, why call in our silver, forge dates on our coins, or repudiate promises for currency redemption that have been good for nearly two-hundred years?

Closely related to the Marxists' efforts to debauch our currency is their powerful effort to strangle us with an ever-expanding National Debt. The Treasury Department has recently asked Congress to raise the "temporary" Debt limit above \$340 billion. This limit is such a farce that we wonder how even our politicians and bureaucrats can discuss it with straight faces. Integrity? These hikes are as "temporary" as the flow of the Mississippi River. The Debt

*Bad money always drives out good.

†All coins minted in 1966 bear a 1965 date.

limit was set in 1959 at \$285 billion and has been raised "temporarily" virtually every year since. During the past eight years, a time of comparative prosperity, our politicians and bureaucrats of the Left have managed to squander \$45 billion more than they have been able to collect.* We have already paid for this by debauching America's currency in what is a tax on money — pushing up prices. But we will continue to pay even more for it in interest on the National Debt. Nonetheless our politicians of the Left still have the temerity to weep publicly over the increasing cost of living for which only their excessive spending is responsible — while at the same time making it abundantly clear that government expenditures will mount at an ever-increasing rate.

The vast deficit spending with its attendant inflation is making government bonds less and less attractive, and thus interest rates on the Debt must climb to obtain or hold investors. This means that the amount of money needed just to service interest payments on the National Debt will continue to climb, even if there is no more deficit spending, as bonds sold years ago keep coming due and must be refinanced at rates sharply increased by government inflation. Pressure is mounting to raise the interest rate on the Debt above its present all-time high of 4.5 percent. Projecting the current rate of increase on the National Debt at compound interest, and adding the unbudgeted promises to pay in the form of programmed federal subsidies, one discovers that the National Debt will begin approaching infinity at around the year 2,000 A.D. Of course, the bottom will have dropped out long before that — crushing our capitalist system with the Debt burden of Marxist follies.

A graph drawn to show the increase

*Secretary of the Treasury Henry H. Fowler estimates a Budget deficit for Fiscal 1968 of \$24 billion.

in federal spending produces a curve that is rising at a compound rate so alarming that even the economically ignorant can now see the danger. In 1947, the Budget was \$39 billion; 1957, \$71 billion; 1967, \$126.7 billion; and, the estimated Budget for 1968 is \$135 billion: We have had what amounts to a 350 percent increase in only twenty years. But even these figures are decep-



"... give it to the have nots. . . ."

tively low because our Leftist politicians trade benefits payable in the future for today's votes. If the spending by the government's various trust funds is added to the administrative budget, the expenditures for 1967 come to 160.9 billion, and the estimated 1968 Budget to \$172.4 billion. This is but the beginning as we are just starting to feel the brunt of the unfunded welfare programs for which we are committed in the form of social security, medicare, veterans benefits, etc. In order to pay off the true National Debt and meet trust fund obligations, every working citizen in America would have to double his income for three years —

with *all* the proceeds going to those who have claims against the government.

As the government has taken on more and more functions, the number of federal employees has naturally increased. These employees, who contribute nothing to productivity, must be paid by confiscating the fruits of the nation's producers. During the past six years federal civilian-agency employment alone has increased by twenty-five percent while the payroll went up sixty percent. These figures do not include the tens of thousands who are indirect employees in the War on Poverty and similar welfare boondoggles.

Of course, our Marxist bureaucrats tell us not to worry. They say that they have calculated all of these future payments and there will be no financial disaster. An example of how accurate government estimates have been in the past is the original government prediction of \$2 billion for Social Security payments in 1967; actual payments will amount to more than \$23.6 billion — a slight miscalculation by about twelve-hundred percent.

When Lyndon Johnson became President in 1963 he had already declared that he was further to the Left than Eleanor Roosevelt. As if to prove his point, President Johnson announced that he was going to take away from the haves "and give it to the have nots who need it so much." Karl Marx put it differently — he said it in German. Nonetheless, Mr. Johnson obviously meant what he said. Since he was sworn into office following the tragedy at Dallas in 1963, federal spending in a grab for control of local education has increased to \$10.6 billion, a modest jump of 175 percent; expenditures on socialized medicine have escalated from \$6.9 billion to \$11.6 billion; spending on Social Security is up eighty-eight percent in less than four years; federal expenditures on welfare programs is up thirty-seven percent; the cost of federal in-

terest payments is up thirty-one percent; spending for our Tower of Babel to outer space is up twenty-seven percent; while other government spending has been increased across the board by twenty-eight percent. And, though we are at war in Vietnam, less than half of the increased spending under President Johnson can be attributed to military expenditures. Current federal spending for Social Security, housing, education, health and veterans benefits, and urban renewal adds up to a staggering \$57.8 billion. But even as government spending last year con-



While U.S. Marxists cheer the Vietcong . . .

tinued to spiral us toward the Marxist State, after-tax profits for American industry fell by more than \$3 billion — the product of ever-increasing federal controls and a taxation program designed to reduce investment in the capital goods needed to advance our Gross National Product.

Always the word from the Marxists controlling our government has been *more*; more spending, more welfare, more taxes, and more regulations and



An American soldier in Vietnam says goodbye to a buddy who died trying to stop the Communists.

controls on the producers. Only the producers and innovators have continued their struggle against the destroyers, thus postponing the day of financial collapse and thereby buying time for America.

II

IF THE CRUSH of Marxism against the mettle of the American economy represents the work of the hammer of the Communist revolution, Leninist street activity represents its sickle. And that sickle has received considerable honing in America during the past twelve months. Revolutionary activity in the form of riots and demonstrations was greatly expanded during 1966 as the public became psychologically conditioned to accept mob action and violence with hardly a blink. Paralysis and the destruction of the will to resist are always basic in Communist efforts to conquer a nation. While cities were set ablaze and boulevards blocked with hirsute and grubby protesters clamoring for larger welfare cheques and a Com-

munist victory in Vietnam, Americans sat hypnotized before their television sets as Huntley or Brinkley wove back and forth at a web of sociological claptrap designed to rationalize mob violence.

The vastly expanded Marxism we discussed earlier can only be a prerequisite to violent revolution. This principle was well understood by the great French philosopher-statesman Frederic Bastiat. In 1849, two decades before Lenin was born and a year after the publishing of the Communist Manifesto, Bastiat warned the French National Assembly about the dangers of expanding the activities of the State and the consequences of the resultant shrinkage of individual responsibility:

When the people are encouraged to turn to government to settle all of their problems for them, the basis for all revolutions is thereby established. For then the people expect the government to provide them with all of the material things they want. And



Communist-affiliated guerrillas in California.

when these things are not forthcoming, they resort to violence to get them. And why not — since the government itself has told them that these responsibilities belong to government rather than to them? I am convinced that a revolution would not be possible if the only relationship between government and the people was to guarantee them their liberty and security.

The French chose to ignore Bastiat's advice with the consequence that both financial and physical chaos ensued and a Communist revolution took place in Paris during 1871 in which half the city was burned and more people were killed in one week than had died throughout France during the three years of the Terror of the French Revolution.

Bastiat's principle is once again being proved correct. Note, for example, the case of the American Negro. Despite President Johnson's War of Poverty, with its myriad spending agencies, the

day-to-day life of the average low-income Negro has not been significantly altered. Multitudes of social workers are now lapping up large salaries, and if you happen to be a Negro with a degree in sociology you can easily get a comfortable slot at the trough of applied Marxism; but the money is spent primarily on overhead or winds up in the pockets of the revolutionary power-structure. To the jobless, skillless Negro, all the talk of the marvelous things the government is doing for him represents so many empty and unfulfilled promises. The Communists' Black Nationalists prey upon the resulting frustration, shouting that the "white power structure" really cares nothing about Negroes, and that the only solution to their problems lies in "seizing what is rightfully ours." The *Liberator*, a widely-circulated magazine of Black Nationalism, quotes its hero Mao Tse-tung in telling Negroes: "Power comes out of the end of a gun barrel."

The fact that the government can't solve the problems of anybody — that the individual must do that himself by effort and study and hard work — is not understood by the low-income Negro who has been led by his government and "Civil Rights" leaders to believe that the federal government will provide the path to the land of milk and honey. While Negro pastorniks, Leftist social workers, and Marxist civil savants dance about in the milk and honey (your milk and honey), the militants prepare to slaughter the cow and exterminate the bees.

The master militant of revolutionary Black Nationalism is Stokely Carmichael, age twenty-five, who was virtually unknown a year ago until the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee elevated that Marxist firebrand to its Presidency. In one short year Carmichael, who had been organizing the all-Negro Black Panther Party in Lowndes County, Alabama (slogan:

Move on over or we'll move on over you), vaulted into the Number Two position in the "Civil Rights" movement, one scant notch behind the sainted monarch of marches, M.L. King.

It was during the summer of 1966 that the predominantly Marxist "Civil Rights" movement began to openly take to the streets in the fashion of the Leninists. The move was symbolized by the Black Nationalists' call for "Black Power." The cry was hardly original, but it was not until the Meredith March in Mississippi last June that Stokely Carmichael popularized the slogan, surrounding it with a revolutionary mystique. (See AMERICAN OPINION, September 1966, Page 1.) Americans began to wake up to the fact that young Negroes were supporting Stokely, and that Stokely — who says he wants to "burn down Western civilization" — supports Mao. Throughout the year, S.N.C.C. leaders often referred to the brotherhood between American Negro revolutionaries and the Chinese Communists

(see AMERICAN OPINION, January, 1967, Page 1), and most of the Black Nationalist organizations are now quite open about their link with the Communists. The growth of Black Nationalist agitation has been reflected in the mushrooming sale of guns in Negro neighborhoods (a fact well known to police departments in virtually every major city in the United States) and the formation of armed and Communist-trained Black Nationalist guerrilla units. (See AMERICAN OPINION, May 1966, Page 31.)

That Stokely Carmichael has been personally involved in the Communist guerrilla movement was established on January 16, 1967 before the House Appropriations Subcommittee in testimony by F.B.I. Director J. Edgar Hoover. Director Hoover linked Carmichael with the Revolutionary Action Movement, described by Hoover as "a highly secret, all Negro, Marxist-Leninist, Chinese Communist-oriented organization which advocates guerrilla warfare to obtain its goals." Carmichael and the



Marxist Stokely Carmichael is supporting Red guerrillas "to burn down Western civilization."

Communists, it seems, have been busy forming the "Black Panther" units — about which we shall have more to say later in this article.

As was well prophesied by "Civil Rights" seers, all of whom are presumably equipped with crystal balls, the summer of 1966 was long and hot.* Disturbances serious enough to be regarded by the national news magazines as "riots" occurred in Cleveland twice; Chicago twice; Pompano Beach, Florida; Omaha; Des Moines; Philadelphia; Brooklyn; South Bend; Jacksonville; Dayton; Wauwatosa, Wisconsin; Benton Harbor, Michigan; Waukegan, Illinois; and Jackson, Michigan. The riot scoreboard reads as follows: 1964, seven major riots; 1965, three major riots including the Watts insurrection; 1966, sixteen major riots.

Of the sixteen major street revolutions instigated last year, the two largest occurred in Chicago† and Cleveland‡. Chicago's *American* of July 19, 1966, revealed that in the Chicago insurrection extensive participation and key

leadership were provided by the Communist Revolutionary Action Movement, an organization of well-trained specialists in guerrilla warfare under the ideological command of Robert Williams, a violent Communist revolutionary now operating out of Cuba. Of the Cleveland insurrection, that city's Grand Jury reported on August 9, 1966:

This Jury finds that the outbreak of lawlessness was both organized, precipitated and exploited by a relatively small group of trained and disciplined professionals at this business. They were aided and abetted, wittingly or otherwise, by misguided people of all ages and colors, many of whom are avowed believers in violence and extremism, and some of whom are also members or officers in the Communist Party. . . .

Just as in the case of the Watts Insurrection of 1965, the rebellions in Chicago and Cleveland had to be quelled by the National Guard. In the intervening months, however, the National Guard has undergone changes that do not bode well for America in the event that the Communists are able to program new rebellion for the Long, Hot Summer of 1967. Secretary of Defense McNamara, the erstwhile Earl of Edsel, has prevented Guard units from further recruiting and thus they are shrinking from natural attrition. Even more significant is the fact that the National Guard has been stripped of much of its transportation, communications gear, and automatic weapons. This equipment has been sent to Vietnam to help meet the serious equipment shortages there. As their arms and carriers are drained off to Vietnam, the Guard units become



In Vietnam Marines retrieve their dead.

*These same sun-tanned swamis see in their tea leaves a similar summer of revolution for this year. See *Los Angeles Times* for April 26, 1967, Page 3, and April 27, 1967, Page 7.

†See *AMERICAN OPINION*, September 1966, Page 1.

‡See *AMERICAN OPINION*, October 1966, Page 19.

less and less combat ready. It took all of the strength of California's National Guard to put down the Communist insurrection in Watts in 1965. That strength is no longer available and what remains is deteriorating. New York, Ohio, Illinois, and other states across the country are facing a similar situation.

What will happen if the prophecies of Powell, King and Company should, by merest chance, eventuate? Presumably, the National Guard will send out a call for taxis in the manner of the French at Verdun. True, some transportation remains, but the response to the coming emergency will necessarily be much slower and much less effective. America's various Guard units will be virtually immobile in the event of the numerous and simultaneous riots which the Communists and Black Nationalists say they are preparing for this summer's Fiftieth Anniversary Celebration of the Russian Revolution.

Martin Luther King has said there will be serious violence this year in ten American cities. Just how King knows about that coming violence was indicated on April 13, 1967 by Communist Mike Laski, Chairman of the Communist Party U.S.A. (Marxist-Leninist), who told a press conference in New York:

King knows what's going on. He is allowing himself to be utilized by the Communist Party. . . . King willingly enters into an alliance with the Communist Party. . . . Mr. King receives financial support from organizations and individuals that are tied with the [Communist] Party. He knows what is happening and so does the Reverend James Bevel.

King knows because he is working with the Communists. As he said in New York on April 14, 1967, "Only Marxism has the revolutionary spirit. . . . If we are to get on the right side



In New York Vietnicks burn America's flag.

of revolution, we as a nation must undergo a radical revolution of values."

A clue to the nature of the holocaust envisioned is contained in a description of a revolutionary plan, not yet executed, described in a report prepared for top officials of the state of California by investigator G. Richard Callaghan. Page twenty-five of that report, dated December 1966, quotes a state law-enforcement officer:

We gathered a lot of information last Spring about some subversive activities going on here locally. We found that these people we were checking on had the intention of setting 15 fires in the San Gabriel and San Bernardino Mountain ranges. They wanted to draw all fire equipment possible away from the valley area and tie up the Sheriff's office and the CHP [California Highway Patrol] on traffic control and evacuation of the mountain population. At sundown they planned to physically destroy all law enforcement and fire



These Maoist Black Panther guerrillas charged into California's capitol with loaded guns.

communications systems plus the Pacific Telephone microwave system. These people had the organization and the capability of carrying this out. . . . They had planned a seek and kill system against any police contacted while this was going on. We understand that their plan was for widespread terror in this area and then they planned to retreat into the west end. They were going to try and maintain control for at least 48 hours.

What was perhaps a preliminary to terrorism took place May 2, 1967 when the band of "Black Power" guerrilla's known as the Black Panthers, armed with loaded rifles, pistols, and shotguns, entered California's capitol building in Sacramento and charged into the Assembly chamber screaming that the Legislature was "racist." Thanks to quick police work, twenty-six were arrested. One of the leaders of the guerrilla's, Mark Comfort* of Oakland, was apparently unarmed and therefore al-

lowed to go free. The revolutionaries can hardly afford the arrest of so important a figure as Mr. Comfort. *People's World*, the Westcoast newspaper of the Communist Party, has been promoting and publicizing him since he was a teenager — he has been very well trained indeed, even marrying the daughter of two identified Communists.

When captured, the armed demonstrators claimed they had come to protest an arms-control law under consideration by the Assembly. It was obviously a matter of dialectics; nothing is more likely to produce gun legislation than an armed invasion of the state capitol.

The important point, however, is that it was the Black Panther guerrilla movement about which Director J. Edgar Hoover testified in January — linking it directly to Stokely Carmichael and

*Until recently Comfort was employed by the War on Poverty as was another leader of the armed display, Bobby Seale. In fact, Seale was employed as a family counselor at the North Oakland area's service center at the time of the armed assault.

the Communist Party U.S.A. (Marxist-Leninist). Next time, the Black Panthers may come in shooting.

III

CURRENTLY THE MOST important phase of the Leninist movement in America is the effective use the Communists are making of the various New Left groups which have been organized and mobilized to protest the Vietnam War. America's no-win war in Asia is serving the Communists as an even more potent rallying point for recruiting campus radicals than did the "Civil Rights" movement. Not since the Thirties have the Communists had such an appealing issue with which to proselytize. Accordingly, the Party has successfully revived the ancient methods of the United Front in order to swell the ranks of its pro-Vietcong demonstrations.

It is not difficult to understand why they are meeting with such unprecedented success. America's college-age youth have been raised in an Alice-In-Wonderland atmosphere where "peaceful coexistence" with the Communists has been consistently preached at them by their government, the nation's mass media, and their teachers and professors. Since their early teens our young people have heard the Soviet Union praised from every corner for its ever-increasing mellowness. They are now ripe for exploitation.

Adding fuel to the fire, the Johnson Administration's mishandling of the Vietnam War has played into the hands of the Communists who are using the war as a launching platform for their propaganda. Is it surprising that students do not relish leaving school to fight a no-win war pitting Americans, man for man, against the hordes of Asia while Chiang Kai-shek's Army atrophies on Taiwan and our government promotes trade with the arsenal of the enemy? The brutal truth is that the Administration's *no-win* policy in Viet-



Marxist Black Panthers recruit at Berkeley.

nam is indefensible. While Communists readily lie whenever it is in their interest to do so, some of what they are saying about Vietnam is true. Of course their conclusions and alternatives are entirely false and they seek only to advance Communism; but Mr. Johnson's no-win war has provided the Left with their best issue in years.

A measure of the impact of the Communists' anti-war propaganda is the increased number of those participating in their "peace" demonstrations. In October of 1965 a Communist-led march from the Berkeley campus to the Oakland Army Terminal attracted fourteen-thousand; the San Francisco demonstration of April 15, 1967 filled Kezar Stadium with an overflow crowd of more than sixty-thousand. Though the latter program was more extensively promoted and made more attractive by the presence of Leftist celebrities,* so

*For example, Robert Vaughn, *The Man From Uncle*, was one of the speakers at San Francisco. Vaughn, who might better portray *The Man From Moscow*, was used as bait to attract an audience for Communist speakers.

vast an increase in participation is obviously indicative of the progress the Communists have made on this issue during the last eighteen months. The New York counterpart of the San Francisco march claimed to have attracted a quarter of a million Vietniks so firm in their commitment that they cheered Mao Tse-tung and Ho chi Minh, burned an American flag, and marched in the streets of New York behind the flag of the Vietcong.

Nothing is more symbolic of the overt strength of the Communists in America than the United Front assembled by the Reds for these Spring Mobilization marches — the premier accomplishment of the Leninist street movement during the past year. It has been obvious for many months that the strategy of the revolutionaries is to combine the "Civil Rights" movement and the peace movement with a "union of the poor." *Communist Origin and Manipulation of Vietnam Week*, a Report issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, reveals: "Dr. Martin Luther



Communist Vietnik organizer Aptheker.

King's agreement to play a leading role in the April 15 demonstration in New York City and his freeing the Rev. James Bevel from his key position in the Southern Leadership Conference to head up the spring mobilization committee are evidence that the Communists have succeeded, at least partially, in implementing their strategy of fusing the Viet Nam and civil rights issues. . . . You may recall that Bevel told a mass audience at Berkeley on October 29, 1966: "I hate Western civilization. . . ." and "we must move to destroy Western capitalism." That the Spring Mobilization's Vietnam Week was a Communist operation is beyond doubt.

The plan for the Spring Mobilization was formed at a conference held in Cleveland during November of 1966. The meeting was called by Mrs. Martin Luther King; A. J. Muste, described by J. Edgar Hoover as a man "who has long fronted for Communists," and who shortly before his death traveled to Communist Vietnam to visit his friend Ho chi Minh; Stokely Carmichael; and Professor Staughton Lynd of Yale and the Communist DuBois Club, who also conferred with Ho chi Minh in 1965. *Challenge*, a newspaper published by the Communist Progressive Labor Party, tabulated the ideological leanings of the 150 delegates: "nearly 40 were public and known Trotskyites. Liberal-pacifist elements and Communist Party members and sympathizers were present in similar proportions." It was at the meeting in Cleveland that A. J. Muste was selected to lead the organization of a giant demonstration for April 15, 1967. But, alas, the "Reverend" Muste's judgment day (which must have been a most interesting confrontation indeed) arrived first and he was replaced by King's Bevel.

Meanwhile, Communist Bettina Aptheker was mailing invitations for a conference to be held in Chicago during December to discuss a national student



Thousands of Communists, Vietnicks, and Liberals marched to fill Kezar Stadium and cheer Ho Chi Minh.

strike. The House Committee on Un-American Activities reports that:

At the time she approached the 32 other initial sponsors, Bettina Aptheker was probably the most widely known Communist in the United States — having received far more press coverage as such in recent months (as a result of her Free Speech Movement activity and subsequent proclamation of party membership) than party leader Gus Hall himself. Despite this fact one campus minister, eight professors or assistant professors, seven officers of student bodies, five representatives of student organizations, and two editors of student newspapers gave their complete cooperation to her effort to launch a nationwide student strike. . . .

When the House Committee Report on Vietnam Week was released, just before the march, "Liberals" attacked the Committee's conclusion that the demonstrations were "completely com-

munist in origin," giving the impression that the Committee had made unsubstantiated charges aimed at stifling free dissent. Nothing could be further from the truth. The charge is proved with photostatically reproduced copies of the literature of the participating groups. The Communists stand condemned out of their own mouths. The Committee proved that, out of the 193 delegates to Bettina Aptheker's student conference, eight were known Communists, twenty-seven members of the Communist Du-Bois Club, eleven Trotskyite Communists, and three members of the Maoist Progressive Labor Party. Bettina's conference decided, curiously enough, that America's students were not yet ready for a full-fledged student strike and determined instead to stage a "Vietnam Week," which by the sheerest coincidence just happened to be a carbon copy of Muste's plans for a Spring Mobilization. The Spring Mobilization people soon merged with Bettina's Student Mobilization.

Who else labored with the "Rever-

ends" King and Bevel on the Communists' Spring Mobilization program? Endorsers included Communist Jesse Gray, identified by J. Edgar Hoover as the former Communist Party Organizer for Harlem; Ann Eaton, wife of the notorious pro-Soviet financier Cyrus Eaton; Stokely Carmichael; Julian Bond, the revolutionary Georgia advocate of draft dodging; and, the omnileft Linus Pauling. The list of sponsors is even more imposing. There was of course Bettina Aptheker, the aforementioned charismatic Communist who combines



Hundreds of thousands of Vietnaks in New York.

all of the physical attributes of Twiggy with those of Cyrano de Bergerac; Anne and Carl Braden, Communist Party Organizers in the South; Frank Emspak of the Communist DuBois Club and son of former Communist Party official Julius Emspak; Hugh Fowler, past President of the Communist DuBois Club; Corliss Lamont, whose activities on behalf of the Soviet Union date back thirty years; identified Communist William Howard Melish; and, Jerry Rubin, a Castro-trained Marxist who recently

finished second in a four-man race for Mayor of Berkeley.*

Other celebrities in Martin Luther King's Spring Mobilization included its Westcoast Chairman, Edward Keating,† then publisher of the ultra-Leftist *Ramparts*‡; the Westcoast Executive Director was Kipp Dawson, a Trotskyite Communist; Mickey Lima, Northern California Chairman of the Communist Party was a sponsor and publicly donated \$100 to the cause; another sponsor was Communist DuBois Clubber Terrance Hallinan, son of Vincent Hallinan, a millionaire Castro propagandist and self-professed Marxist, and brother of identified Communist Matthew Hallinan; Al Richmond, editor of the *People's World*, the Communist Party's official Westcoast newspaper, sent out promotional material for the Mobilization on his *People's World* stationery; also working on the campaign was Marxist Mike Meyerson, a former DuBois Club officer and an honorary nephew of Ho chi Minh. To list all of the revolutionaries who bent their efforts

* Rubin got seven-thousand votes, four times as many as the "Conservative" candidate who finished behind the winner, Rubin, and Trotskyite Communist Peter Camejo. Do you believe that the radical takeover at the University of California has not affected the area? Try Rubin's platform: rent control through a rent strike; a restaurant revenue tax to provide free food in the parks; hitch-hiking stalls; the turning of Telegraph Avenue into a mall with free bicycles; political control of the police; legalized abortion; give money to the poor; and, end the war in Vietnam (a local issue in Berkeley).

† Keating, forty-two, was the victim of a coup shortly after the march. His New Left protégés—Warren Hinkle, and former Fair Play for Cuba leader Robert Sheer—succeeded in ousting him after he had poured over \$800,000 into the *Ramparts* venture.

‡ Indicative of the mushrooming Marxist movement in America is the fact that the circulation of the incredibly anti-American *Ramparts* has skyrocketed from 74,000 last October to 228,000 in March. Who advertises in *Ramparts*? Try the full page advertisement in the issue for May of 1967, which is headlined: "Celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Bolshevik Revolution." The advertisement is offering for sale "giant-size 2½' by 3½' posters of Mao, Lenin, Castro, Marx, Trotsky, Ho and Stalin."



As Communists march in America's streets, U.S. Infantrymen tally their losses in lives.

in promoting the Communists' Spring Mobilization would require page after page, since virtually every top Communist in America participated. We shall, therefore, assume the reader has grasped our point.

In addition to the accomplishment of their goal of merging the "Civil Rights" groups into a coalition with the "peace" movement, the Communists' Spring Mobilization took yet another major step by involving a great deal of union support. Besides featuring as speakers two representatives of Harry Bridges' Communist-controlled I.L.W.U., the rally at Kezar Stadium was highlighted by a revolutionary harangue from Walter Reuther's Westcoast representative, Paul Schrade, who included in his remarks a call for the Alinsky-style* "union of the poor" which the Com-

munists have been advocating so vigorously.

The total cost to the Communists of promoting and effectuating the two marches will never be made public, but it was enormous. Such extensive travel, printing, and mailing are very expensive indeed. The Communists were so highly subsidized in this venture that they were even able to implement a systematic campaign at hundreds of colleges and high schools, offering lodging and roundtrip transportation for next to nothing. Amusingly enough, various Marxist groups have of late been holding little fund-raising dances and passing the hat to meet what they say is the "\$1,200 debt" of the Spring Mobilization. The \$1,200 figure is pure show biz; adding two zeroes wouldn't begin to approximate what was spent on this puppet show.

The House Committee on Un-American Activities contended that "The overall success of this operation will also be an indication of Communist strength." Now that the tally of par-

*Saul Alinsky recently announced that he is going to supplement his Chicago school for agitators by opening a branch office in San Francisco or Los Angeles in order to multiply the number of professionally-trained organizers for the revolutionary cadre.

ticipation is in, the Communists must be ecstatic. The Party now knows that young Americans in large numbers are willing to participate in projects openly organized and controlled by Communists. Within ten hours of the conclusion of the Mobilization, Communist photographer Harvey Richards had his pictures of the demonstration on their way to North Vietnam. They will undoubtedly be used most effectively to build the morale of the North Vietnamese. But the Communists' primary victory had very little to do with Vietnam; it lay in their establishment as the *de facto* leaders of a United Front of America's protest movements.

Communist Party leader Gus Hall has summed up the trend of the Communist youth movement in these words: "Fronts are a thing of the past. We don't need them. We've got the W.E.B. DuBois Clubs, the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, and the Students for Democratic Society going for us. . . ." Notice Comrade Hall's possessive use of "We've got . . . going for us." He knows what he's talking about.

If the Johnson Administration continues to drag out the war in Vietnam by refusing to permit our military to

win it, there will be growing unrest and dissension at home. The Reds believe there will be enough to rip America apart, as more and more disillusioned students are drawn into the Communists' revolutionary United Front. And, with the Communist Black Nationalists arming and training in every major American city; with the powerful Martin Luther King overtly committed to a Communist cause; with hundreds of thousands of young Americans marching behind Vietcong flags to support a Communist enemy killing our soldiers in the field; with the President ordering trade to the arsenal of the Vietcong; with the economy in mortal danger from the wrecking of the Marxist termites . . . they might just be able to pull it off.

That is, they might be able to do it if an ever more powerful counterforce of effective "Conservatives" is unable to awaken the broad patriotic base of America. From what we have seen of that counterforce, and what we know of Americans, we believe that the Communists *can* be stopped. It will take dedication and work. It will require more and more from all of us. But it can, it *must*, be done. ■ ■

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■ EAGLE ROCK—Once the Communists have persuaded a number of teachers and professors to repudiate loyalty oaths the Reds find themselves, almost automatically, in command of a manipulated mass to use as they will. Young people go to school in a mood to be taught. It is as easy to teach them what is evil as to instruct them in what is good. Not having lived long enough to acquire the experience to judge what is practical, young people, of necessity, tend to accept the theoretical—particularly when it is presented in terms of simple (and often false) black and white contrasts. And they accept it with all the enthusiasm of recently awakened minds.

It is easy to persuade these young people to take part in massive "protests" and "demonstrations." They are the one segment of society that has the leisure for it. They do not have to work since, for the most part, they are supported by their parents—and at this age, unfortunately, many of them are beginning to resent the authority of their fathers and mothers.

The radicals who dupe them do all in their power to widen the breach between generations. During the French Revolution they encouraged the young to look different by wearing wildly disheveled dress and by calling themselves "sans-culottes" (much like the beatniks and hipsters of our day). They had a song of their own, *Ca Ira*, meaning "that will go" (similar to *We Shall Overcome*) and an aggressive street dance, *La Carmagnole*, which often was mob violence set to music. And they burned their nation's flag just before the Reign of Terror started.

The similarities are frightening.

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