

toothed Britain, for instance, that it is being used as an excuse to call in the troops to harvest their sugar beet crop. This same procedure was used already in Belgium.

Meanwhile, the press has cited all sorts of phony deals to blame the Soviet Union for their alleged collusion with the Arab sheikhs to stockpile sugar. This CIA-manufactured story is absurd. While the Arabs have accumulated nearly nine million tons of sugar over the last few weeks, total Soviet purchases for this period are in the order of a mere 500,000 tons.

If the cartel goes ahead with its plan to sell 15 million tons of sugar for \$24 billion, thereby raising the wholesale price from the current 63 cents to 80 cents per pound, by Christmas a pound of sugar will cost a dollar or more at the supermarket.

#### BANKERS CALL FOR LICENSE TO LOOT FARMERS

ST. LOUIS, Nov. 29 (IPS)--At a national agribankers conference here Nov. 25, bankers reaffirmed their commitment to strangle U.S. agriculture and they endorsed Rockefeller's program for a World Food Bank. Chomping at the bit for an across-the-board license to loot the farm sector, they also called for the repeal of existing ceilings on interest rates chargeable to farmers--the usury laws.

In most states usury laws prevent private banks from charging more than eight per cent on farm loans, and private bankers have refused to extend desperately needed credit to farmers. As the bankers see it, they can get a much higher return elsewhere.

As the various government-sponsored farm credit sources--like the Farm Credit Administration--begin to dry up, panicky farmers are finding themselves trapped in the bankers' looting drive. As a professor at the notorious agricultural think-tank Cornell University told IPS in September, "Farmers aren't trying to keep the bank rate low, because they know they can't get any loans that way."

With farm commodity prices sliding from their earlier speculative heights, millions of American farmers are sitting ducks for the agribankers.

#### HEINZ' ANTI-TRUST TASK FORCE TARGETS FARMERS

Nov. 29 (IPS)--In addition to the credit squeeze and the deliberate rise in feed, fertilizer and gasoline costs engineered via the Great Oil Hoax, Rockefeller's agricultural "restructuring"

drive intends to destroy the central farm marketing mechanism, the cooperative.

Under the guise of "anti-trust" probes, the coordinated watergating of farm coops is directed by H.J. Heinz III's "House Republican Task Force on Antitrust and Monopoly Problems." The task force's first target was "the food industry." "After all," said Heinz, "who should know it better than I?"

Heinz, a Republican congressman from Pittsburgh, is the son of H.J. Heinz II, chairman of the multi-billion dollar food company and a prominent spokesman for Rockefeller's mass starvation World Food Conference held in Rome earlier this month.

The task force was behind the months-long attack on the Associated Milk Producers, Inc., an attack that emerged from the original CIA Watergating of the Nixon administration.

Currently, the task force is taking the National Broiler Marketing Association and the Central California Lettuce Producers to task in an attempt to strip them of their anti-trust exemption.

The farm cooperatives walk a fine line legally: They are exempt from the traditional anti-trust rulings, but at the same time they are forbidden to engage in "other monopolistic practices."

The "anti-monopoly" attack is aimed to destroy every vestige of an independent farm marketing mechanism. This destruction of the agricultural infrastructure is preparation for bringing what's left of U.S. farm production and distribution under centralized Rockefeller control.

#### DAIRYLEA GOONS EJECT LABOR PARTY ORGANIZERS

Nov. 25 (IPS)--Goons ejected U.S. Labor Party organizers from tonight's meeting of Dairylea Cooperative members in Middleburg, New York. Most farmers attending were in a desperate mood--many of them drunk--since Dairylea had just decided to assess its members a total of \$18.6 million to make up its huge deficit. The farmers' rage has been diverted, in many cases, into swinish, anti-labor sentiments, typified by one farmer's comment: "You're from labor....How much will a worker pay for my milk?"

Those farmers, however, who paused for a briefing by Labor Party organizers on how Rockefeller engineered the farm credit squeeze immediately bought copies of New Solidarity. They wanted to read more about how the present pitting of farmers against worker-consumers can be overcome through the Labor Party's campaign for an emergency farm debt moratorium and expanded food production.