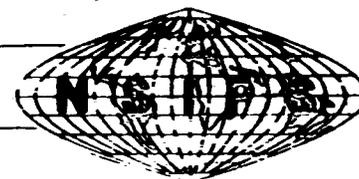


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## **Carter Candidacy Factionalizes Labor Movement Battle Against Institute for Policy Studies**

**WASHINGTON, D.C., July 10 (NSIPS) —** Interviews with top leaders of the AFL-CIO and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters this week indicated that the troubled Jimmy Carter presidential campaign has become an issue of growing battle between the constituency-linked elements of the AFL-CIO and Teamsters top bureaucracies and the corporatist agents grouped around United Auto Workers leader Leonard Woodcock, union-busting lawyer Joseph Rauh, AFSCME, and the Institute for Policy Studies-Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee networks typified by fraudulently elected United Steelworkers District 31 head Ed Sadlowski.

AFL-CIO insiders indicated this week that Trilateral Commission agent and AFL-CIO secretary treasurer Lane Kirkland and IPS-linked AFL-CIO legislative director Al Zack are maneuvering behind the scenes to win a quick show of labor movement "unity" — however reluctant — behind the candidacy of fellow Trilateral Commission member Carter in an attempt to forestall an open labor movement battle against Rauh and the IPS agents who form the backbone of Carter's campaign "machine."

Key to the stiffening of labor leaders' resistance to the IPS-DSOC union-busting drive is the fact that major sections of the trade union movement, centered around the Teamsters and elements of the building trades and related layers, have — under intense membership pressure — so far refused to accept demands by Wall Street and Leonard Woodcock's Initiatives Committee for National Economic Planning crew — and backed by Carter — to eliminate minimum wage protection for "full employment" slave labor schemes. While the main such scheme, the corporatist Humphrey-Hawkins Full Employment and Balanced Growth Act, is stalled by the inability to reconcile union insistence on minimum wage provisions and demands put forward by the Brookings Institution for below-minimum-wage-rates in public works projects authorized by the bill, statewide "Civilian Conservation Corps" bills have been rammed into operation in both California and Wisconsin. A heated battle is being fought over a similar bill — supported by Carter and opposed by trade unions and the U.S. Labor Party — in Ohio.

At the same time, labor leaders, including top officials in AFL-CIO headquarters in Washington, D.C., are finally beginning to gear up for an all-out fight against the IPS Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee "union democracy" union-wrecking apparatus headed by Joseph Rauh. Many officials had smelled a rat when Rauh installed IPS stooge Arnold Miller as head of the United Mineworkers, but the publicly circulated endorsement by Auto Workers agent Victor Reuther of the efforts of Rauh protege Ed Sadlowski to take over the presidency of the United Steelworkers of America, combined with Rauh's own direct interventions into two locals, has sent shockwaves through top trade union layers. This combined pack of rats has all but called for an insurrection against the old line AFL-CIO leadership.

The state of siege atmosphere placed around the union movement by the IPS-Rauh attacks is beginning to break down traditional barriers of animosity that divided unionists. Although none will say so publicly, leading AFL-CIO officials are finding themselves quietly sympathetic to Teamsters resistance to the IPS New York Times attacks.

### **ESCALATE ATTACKS ON TEAMSTERS**

Two factors guarantee that the battle between these two loose factional groupings will heat up over the summer: first, the Institute for Policy Studies and major Atlanticist sewers such as the New York Times, have indicated they intend to escalate their push for slave labor and union-busting irrespective of the sensibilities of old-line labor leaders. In the latest developments, Federal officials leaked to the press that Charles O'Brien, the foster son of former International Brotherhood of Teamsters president James Hoffa, is under investigation by a grand jury for allegedly receiving gifts from a Detroit automobile dealer. The officials "told" the New York Times that the purpose of the investigation is to pressure Mr. O'Brien to testify in connection with the disappearance of Hoffa. The officials further told the Times, which faithfully printed all, that they know who kidnapped and murdered Hoffa, and that O'Brien was involved along with New Jersey Teamster leader Anthony Provenzano, who was recently indicted for involvement in a murder conspiracy that took place 15 years ago.

At the same time, the Times gloated that its "report" that the Teamsters Central States Pension Fund had had its tax exemption revoked retroactively, has caused employers (who would retroactively lose tax credits deducted for payments to the fund) to resist making payments due to the fund. The fund is also, the Times claims, having trouble with credit lines from banks. The blatant harassment involved was indicated as the Internal Revenue Service announced that the revocation of the tax exemption — a move that in all likelihood would have been reversed in a court challenge in the opinion of tax experts — has been "postponed" until August 31.

But, unlike the relatively unopposed Institute for Policy Studies takeover of the Mineworkers, the IPS attacks on the Teamsters and the Sadlowski operation are intersecting a massive exposure of the IPS-Woodcock fascist labor networks by the U.S. Labor Party. The rapid success of that campaign on the local and district union levels was indicated as labor officials this week purchased a record number of the just-issued NSIPS brief on "How IPS Took Over the Mineworkers Union." One high-ranking United Steelworkers of America leader, in collaboration with local USWA officials in Pittsburgh, has initiated a detailed investigation of USLP charges that Sadlowski is being used by the Democratic Socialist Organizing Committee and the IPS to wreck the USWA.

Top Teamsters, meanwhile, have advised the USLP to investigate Hoffa's links to the "prison reform" movement — a notorious Institute for Policy Studies Operation — in con-

nection with his disappearance. The officials said that the name of Marcus Raskin, the Institute's director, became widely known among Teamsters during the period of Hoffa's involvement in prison reform, which began while he was in prison.

### THE RESISTANCE TO CARTER

It is this sentiment that is being focussed on the hapless Carter campaign. A top official at AFL-CIO headquarters in Washington, D.C. who is close to George Meany this week expressed shock on learning that Mary King, a top Carter "brain-truster" and the wife of Institute for Policy Studies drug and brainwash expert and Carter confidante Dr. Peter Bourne, is also an associate of union-buster Joseph Rauh. The official indicated that there is growing concern within the top labor officialdom over Rauh and his Sadlowski and Mineworkers operations. Meany himself has refused so far to give his endorsement to Carter, despite a personal visit from the former Georgia governor, and officials at COPE, the AFL-CIO Committee on Political Education, indicated that no Democratic nominee could expect a COPE endorsement — bringing with it a needed infusion of AFL-CIO grassroots level organizers — before mid-August at the earliest.

Unlike 1972, however, when George Meany impotently sat out the Democratic Presidential debacle, AFL-CIO non-support for Carter this year could virtually hand the backing of increasingly politicized local union machines to the U.S. Labor Party presidential candidate, Lyndon LaRouche. Already, with the Democratic nomination still officially undecided, two union leaders, Ray Marks, president of the roofers' union in Harrisburg and a member of the executive board of the powerful Eastern Pennsylvania Building Trades Council, and Q. Casiana, president of Pulp and Paperworkers International Local 657 in Trenton, have given their endorsements to LaRouche. Other local and district level union leaders have already put out feelers to the LaRouche campaign, a development without precedent in recent years.

### REDOUBLE DRIVE FOR SLAVE LABOR CAMPS

In the wake of the Supreme Court decision abolishing minimum wage standards for state and municipal employees, the Ohio press has begun a renewed effort to push through the "Youth Civilian Conservation Corps" program presently bottled up in the state legislature by a combination of U.S. Labor Party and trade union opposition. Ohio CCC slave herders were brought to Wisconsin to view a model slave labor program in that Fabian heartland and praise its virtues to the folks back home.

"I haven't seen women work like this since I was in Hong Kong," said Ohio State Rep. Gene Damschroder, whose

district is in the Ohio strip mining region. Ohio State Sen. Arthur Wilkowski, author of the Ohio CCC bill, stated, according to the Dayton Daily News, "The key to this thing is cheap labor. If we have to wait to pay prevailing wages, it will never be done." Wilkowski is Jimmy Carter's only leading public supporter in Ohio, and has secured a personal endorsement of his Ohio slave plan from the Georgia candidate.

Wisconsin's program has four camps, paying \$2 per hour wages for 35 hours, and deducting half of this, \$35 for "room and board." Camp routine is modelled on Army basic training, and failure to address foremen as "sir" results in 10 pushups as a penalty.

### TEAMSTERS LAUNCH DRIVE TO ORGANIZE KRESGE'S

The International Brotherhood of Teamsters has launched a major organizing drive to unionize warehousemen employed by the anti-labor Kresge-K-Mart chain in Canada. The drive, now centered in Ontario province, has already been successful in Scarborough, and at Kresge's largest warehouse in Bramlea, more than enough employees needed to constitute a local have signed up for membership. Teamster officials, confident of a victory in Bramlea, have announced that they will begin shutting down Kresge outlets in Toronto, giving them enough momentum to bring the drive to all 200 Kresge outlets in Canada.

The Teamsters, in launching this organizing offensive in Canada, are moving in a limited way to fend off the effect of massive attacks on them led by the Institute for Policy Studies. The Teamster drive to organize Kresge-K-Mart employees follows a successful boycott of the chain's outlets in the U.S. and Canada last year by the U.S. Labor Party to halt Kresge's participation in the IPS-coordinated harassment campaign against USLP electoral activities.

Response by Teamster members to the Kresge organizing drive in Canada further indicates that they are spirited and apooling for a fight should the hesitant IBT leadership finally launch a full-scale counteroffensive against the Institute for Policy Studies and Justice Department attacks on the union. Yesterday, North American Labor Party organizers found Teamsters from local 419 in Brampton, Ontario fully briefed on the Labor Party's exposé of the IPS role in the anti-Teamster attacks. With the Kresge organizing drive also the union's first offensive against the Canadian Anti-Inflation Board's roll-back of Teamster wage gains this spring, pickets from local 419 proudly reported that their 100-man picket line had chased off scabs brought in by Trudeau's fascist Manpower Board earlier in the strike. Members of both local 419 and local 938 have begun posting copies of New York Times smear articles against the Teamsters, indicating their willingness to meet the Institute for Policy Studies head on.

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