

the Harrimanites intend to impose drastic cuts in real wages, give-backs in benefits, and other sacrifices.

Various proposals are being circulated on how to restrain wages:

- James Tobin, Nobel economist and co-chairman of the National Policy Exchange's policy advisory board, advocates "getting rid of Davis-Bacon, zoning and building codes, and continuing deregulation, particularly in transportation and trucking."

- Barry Bosworth, Director of Carter's Council on Wage and Price Stability, suggests in a Center for National Policy study issued last fall, in addition to mandatory wage controls, eliminating multi-year union contracts and cost-of-living escalators; outlawing strikes; and abrogating existing contracts.

- Several Democratic "experts" are promoting a tax-based incomes policy (TIP), which would penalize wage hikes above a certain level by imposing additional taxes on both employer and employee.

- Paul Jensen, executive director of the National Policy Exchange, is one of many DNC advisers who advocates setting up a national tripartite board to coordinate wage restraints.

Investment policy is devoted to the post-industrial era. The draft resolution acclaims "industries like computers, communications, electronic components, aerospace, pharmaceuticals, fiber optics, and data base management." This section of the DNC's economic policy resolution is a declaration of war on the country's basic industrial infrastructure, which is to be replaced by a post-industrial "information economy." In this respect, the resolution mirrors the "National Agenda for the Eighties" issued by the Carter administration.

Lester Thurow, also a member of the DNC's Economic Priorities Panel and a favorite spokesman for the Center for National Priorities argues against attempting to prop up what he calls "dying industries" such as basic steel, on the grounds that the props "will only prolong the pain. *Whatever government does, they will in the end die.*"

The **energy policy** is "conservation, insulation, retrofitting factories, and power plants; through production and development of our coal, oil, and natural gas resources; through the creation of new industries for synthetic fuels; and in the technological miracles that American genius can create in solar power; geo-thermal energy, wind power, biomass and other new forms of energy. Energy conservation is the people's energy source," says the DNC draft resolution, ruling out nuclear and fusion energy. Already, an estimated 115 million people in the developing sector have died since the 1960s because the advanced sector, especially the United States, has put the brakes on nuclear-power development. Calling conservation "the people's energy source" is like saying that hunger is the people's food.

Editorial Comment

Hinckley decision is license for assassins

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John W. Hinckley, Jr., a highly-trained assassin apprehended in the shooting of President Ronald Reagan and others, has just been awarded a legal slap on the wrist. He has been exonerated on a plea of legal insanity.

This is not merely a monstrous miscarriage of justice. It is, plainly and simply, an invitation to every pot-smoking scoundrel with a mental-illness-treatment-record to make himself a national celebrity by taking a pot-shot at some prominent political figure.

I am not interested in what the jury did or did not think. The jury was, overall, a typical street-corner audience standing fascinated, watching a shell-game run by the federal prosecution. The jury guessed where the pea was hidden; naturally, as the decision shows, the suckers bet wrong, as usual.

How the shell-game was rigged

From my knowledge of the Hinckley case, the prosecution and defense teams in the court case were both effectively orchestrators of Hinckley's "insanity" defense, with the principal psychiatric witnesses for both sides drawn from the same orbit: the interconnection of the World Health Organization, National Institute of Mental Health, and directly or indirectly interfacing the same Walter Reed Hospital at which one among the jurors was a psychiatric researcher.

More important than the "dog and pony show" features of the courtroom-debate on psychiatric interpretation was the manner in which that sideshow was rigged. Hinckley was presented by the prosecution as a "lone assassin," and therefore the jury was not given the mass of facts indicating that Hinckley was a highly-trained potential assassin and that strong indications of a "Manchurian candidate" case had been developed during the investigations.

Especially significant is the fact that Hinckley's psychiatric treatment in Colorado tracked him through institutions which are known in the psychiatric literature as authorities on the subject of techniques for creating "Manchurian candidate" varieties of assassins. This is especially significant when compared with the fact that a number of persons constituting a "threat-potential" against the President during the same period as Hinck-

ley's shooting-attack also operated under the same "Jodie Foster" scenario-motivation as Hinckley. It appeared as if some team of evil psychiatric networks had been stamping out "Manchurian candidates" with the clinical equivalent of a mimeograph-machine.

The problem of public policy on 'insanity'

The key problem of public policy posed by the "insanity" plea in the Hinckley case is a fundamental distinction which neither the prosecution, the defense nor the psychiatric specialists are indicated to have presented to the court or jury. In a case such as Hinckley's reported syndromes suggest, we must determine which of three principal categories of mental disorder are involved. Does the derangement of the subject's mind indicate merely possible "insanity," or does it signify either "criminal insanity" or simply a case of a "criminal mind"?

A "criminal mind" is typified by the case of a person who is not insane in respect to recognition of real events and social processes around him, but who is morally insane: who believes, emotionally, that he has the right to kill, steal, and so forth. . . . With this type, justice demands something approximate to tossing the convicted perpetrator into a maximum-security center and throwing the key away.

The "criminally insane" perpetrator is an insane person whose insanity involves a recurring compulsion to commission of criminal acts. By "insanity" we mean not only an incapacity to perceive physical or social reality in a "normal" fashion, but that he mixes up real and fantastic images of real experiences in the manner we associate with systematically generated delusions.

The best illustration of such a "criminally insane" person is the mental case of whom his psychiatrist writes something such as, "Subject will almost certainly attempt to kill his father if released."

This sort of perpetrator, unless cured, should never be released from maximum-security custody.

The third category is the case of the victim of a deluded composition of judgment, in which the insanity does not subsume a persisting or recurring impulse to perpetrate actions which the sane world knows to be felonious injury to other persons or himself. In such a case, the person's delusion-twisted lack of perception of reality may cause the person to perpetrate a criminal act, but sometimes without a criminal intent.

Today, especially during the post-war period, this problem of public policy has been compounded, chiefly as a result of the work launched by the London Tavistock Clinic under the co-direction of the late Brigadier Dr. John Rawlings Rees and Dr. Eric Trist. Through perversion of psychiatric skills and clinical procedures for criminal purposes, there has developed a large network of psychiatrists and associated specialists who

have developed a capability for selecting human "raw material" suitable to be converted into a "programmable assassin," a "Manchurian candidate." The published psychiatric literature now bulges with clinical studies of such methods and procedures of selection, conditioning, and programing.

Hinckley passed through institutions which are integral to the production of such a specialist literature. The network producing the psychiatrists testifying in the Hinckley trial is connected to and well-informed of the clinical work being done in the area of "Manchurian candidate" programing.

The initial experimental work done by John Rawlings Rees and others, experimenting on World War I "shell-shock" cases, was greatly expanded with research into "Korean War"-style methods of "brainwashing." However, the most important technical expansion of "brainwashing" capabilities, apart from "electroshock" conditioning, has developed out of a proposal publicized by Bertrand Russell during the late 1920s. Russell proposed then a concentration on developing cheap methods of mass-drugging to be developed as a repertoire of social control over large populations.

The best-known outgrowth of Russell's proposal is the connection between work being done at both Palo Alto and Harvard during the 1950s and early 1960s, the drug- and cult-synthesizing pilot-experiments associated with Russell's accomplice, Aldous Huxley, Gregory Bateson, and Harvard's researcher Timothy Leary. Approximately 1963, the pilot-projects were deployed in the form of a mass social experiment, the creation of the rock-drug-sex counterculture, as well as a group of experimental cults, including the "Manson Family." The basic techniques are at least as old as the Phrygian cult of Dionysus, the classical model for modern international terrorism.

If a youth drops into the rock-drug-sex counterculture, especially one with a certain kind of potential associated clinically with inadequate mother-love in childhood, the transformation of the personality effected produces an individual of the sort wicked psychiatrists would scrutinize more closely, to determine whether this subject were not truly potential material for producing a programmable assassin, to behave more or less precisely as Hinckley is known to have deployed during the period preceding the attempted assassination of President Reagan. We have knowledge that at least some of the relevant facts were part of the package placed at the disposal of the FBI and prosecutors. The case as defined by such facts was not presented.

As a result of this miscarriage of justice, a new dimension of threat-potential is now unleashed against not only President Reagan, but many additional public figures. The kooks are probably already oiling their weapons on receipt of news of the jury's decision.