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## U.S. Prepares to Invade N. Vietnam

By Fred Goldstein

As the Johnson Administration races ahead with its program to turn South Vietnam into a U.S. military garrison for the coming all-out attack on North Vietnam, hundreds of thousands of U.S. youth will be impressed into the service of U.S. imperialism in the coming months. Washington is rushing to get

August 8, also called for 500,000 men to "provide a shield for South Vietnam."

However the half million figure is only what the U.S. monopolies want spoken about publicly right now.

According to the New York Times of August 7, the determination of North Vietnam to carry on the

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Come here, kid. I've got a job for you.

400,000 men into Vietnam by the end of the year (that means 100,000 more in the next 5 months). But it has already been made clear by two important spokesmen for U.S. big business, Richard Nixon and Sen. Jacob Javits, that the 400,000 figure is just the beginning in Wall Street's preparations for a giant scale U.S. escalation.

Speaking from Saigon on August 7, Nixon referred to the 400,000 troop target as a "marginal" number and urged that it be upped to 500,000. Nixon's war-cry was widely publicized in the capitalist press across the country.

And while the extreme conservative Nixon made his proposal in the name of more war, Sen. Javits, the "middle-of-the-road" imperialist, during a Waldorf Astoria speech on



Put this helmet on and take a gun.

## "Rights" Bill AGAINST The Black People!

While Afro-Americans from Mississippi to Chicago, from New York to Detroit were battling the tear gas, guns and police clubs of the U.S. ruling class, the racist House of Representatives piled insult upon repression by passing a fraudulent, watered-down, so-called Civil Rights Bill.

As fascist lynch mobs in Chicago stoned peaceful demonstrations protesting racism in housing, big business Congressmen voted a phony "anti-discrimination" law. This insidious bill, by specifically exempting 60 per cent of all housing units from coverage, actually gave Congressional sanction to racism in the

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### Is This Because U.S. Casualties Are "Light"?

MEXICO CITY, July 23 (Hsinhua)—The U.S. government is trying to hire Mexican doctors at high pay to serve the U.S. aggressor troops in South Vietnam. It offers each a total sum of \$100,000 for two years of service there. But the great majority of Mexican doctors have

ignored the offer.

(This is further evidence of the high U.S. casualties described in our last edition, which the U.S. military is hiding with false figures so that they can lull the American people as they step up the war—Ed.)



Get over there and fight. If you get killed I'll send your folks a medal.



It's all for a great cause — to preserve My way of life.

## Thousands Protest U.S. Warmaking in Viet Amid New York's Big Business Towers

NEW YORK—Between 20,000 and 25,000 people turned out for a rally against the war Saturday, August 8, in New York. The demonstration was a part of a world-wide marking of the A-bombing of Hiroshima and a protest against the U.S. war in Vietnam. It was sponsored by the Fifth Avenue Parade Committee, a coalition of New York anti-war groups.

The demonstrators first circled Times Square, New York's center, carrying signs calling for U.S. to get out of Vietnam and supporting the three soldiers who refused to go to Vietnam. Police allowed a small group of right wingers to picket in the middle of the square.

Bystanders generally watched, took leaflets, and thought it over.

A man tried to arouse opposition to the marchers by shouting, "Look, look, the Reds have taken over Times Square!" During the time this writer watched him, no one responded to his incitement. Marchers smiled.

The rally was held at 48th Street between Park Avenue and Madison, filling that wide block to overflowing.

Two of the most militant speakers were black leaders: Mrs. Mae Mallory, speaking for the Black United Action Front of Harlem, and Ivanhoe Donaldson, New York head of SNCC.

Mrs. Mallory said that the Black People would decide who their real enemies were and that they were not

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## Anti-War Forces Fight Back Against HUAC Witch-hunt

WASHINGTON, August 16—

Early this morning a federal court of three judges overruled two lower court decisions. HUAC hearings began this morning as scheduled with most of an angry crowd opposing HUAC barred from entering the hearing room.

AUGUST 12—Having tried on several occasions to launch a witch hunt against opponents of the counter-revolutionary U.S. war in Vietnam, the ruling class is now trying again—this time with a House Un-American Activities inquiry.

On August 6 (Hiroshima Day) the very day that scores of thousands were protesting the war throughout the country, HUAC subpoenaed at

least ten anti-war militants to appear at its star chamber hearings August 16 to 18 and the 23rd.

Most of HUAC's intended victims are people who have helped the beleaguered Vietnamese people with money for medical aid, blood plasma, etc.

One of those summoned was Walter Teague, chairman of the U.S. Committee to Aid the National Liberation Front. Others were Steve Cherkoss, George Ewart and Steve Hamilton, members of the Progressive Labor Party who were active in the Vietnam Day Committee at Berkeley; Jeff Gordon and Rick Rhodes, also of PLP, who campaigned against the war in New York;

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**"White" Power and Black Freedom**

The racist trash who attacked Black marchers in Mississippi, Chicago and other points north last week raised the cry of "white power." This was ironic as well as provocative.

All the seats of power in this country are occupied by members or representatives of the white ruling class, as even the most ignorant fascist well knows.

The big power is maintained by big money—that is, capital, which in itself knows no race. But in order

to overthrow or even shave down that power, the program of the oppressed must demand the liberation of the Black People as a first premise for the real freedom of the white working class.

The slogan of "white" power only enhances the power of the capitalist class. The slogan of "Black Power" is aimed squarely against oppression and in the long run contributes to the liberation of the white poor as well as the Black.

**Guess Who Won The "Peace Award"?**

Last week Johnson got an award for being "the American who contributed most toward the cause of peace this year."

This makes sense if you understand the double-talk of Washington and translate the Washingtonese word "peace" into its English equivalent, which is "war."

With this clearly in mind, one

can easily envision Johnson getting the award for next year, too, since he intends to enlarge his peace campaign considerably and possibly carry peace into North Vietnam with ground troops as well as bombers.

If his plans succeed, he will carry his peace from Vietnam into People's China and begin the Third World Peace.

**U Thant's Resignation?**

Why is U Thant quitting the UN? Many forces want him to stay. Both houses of the British Parliament voted to ask him to remain at his post in an unprecedented unanimous action. Johnson and the militarists in the U.S. are somewhat annoyed with him, it is true, because he wants a compromise in Vietnam and they want all-out victory. But the Western imperialists, generally, want him to keep his post.

And there's the rub.

Thant knows that all Asia is beginning to consider him a tool of the capitalist West in spite of his peace efforts. Even as a "neutralist" and compromiser, he serves the long-

range interests of imperialism and refurbishes the discredited UN. Thant is an Asian and an Asian politician at that. To keep any kind of base for himself, much less his self-respect, he has to quit.

His resignation will restore a little of his moral authority with the Asian masses, because it will put the responsibility for the Vietnam war more clearly on the U.S. Government, while it indicates the helplessness of a UN which faintly tries to be independent of U.S. imperialism, even in a generally pro-imperialist way.

Thant wants to quit while the quitting is still good.

**The Steel Price Grab**

Bill Moyers, Johnson's press secretary, obviously speaking for his boss, said on August 5, "No one can force them to do what they don't want to do."

Moyers was not referring to the striking airlines workers, who were being driven back to work by Johnson and Congress—that is, forced to do what they didn't want to do; work without a contract.

Moyers was speaking about the steel corporations' price increases and advertising Johnson's unwillingness to stop them.

Now it is quite true that no one in the Government can make the big capitalists as a whole do what they don't want to do—in the long run, at least—because the big capitalists run the Government like they run everything else. But is it really true that Johnson, with all the apparatus of the capitalist state at his disposal cannot force one section of the monopolists to do something that is to the obvious benefit of the capitalist system as a whole?

The capitalist system requires a move against price rises for its own economic stability, to say nothing of

avoiding the political explosion that Johnson knows to be in the works better than anybody else. Other Presidents, loyal to the larger interests of their class, have stuck to their guns and stood up to powerful sections of their bosses to prevent such increases at similar times of crisis.

But not Johnson.

A vulgar opportunist and bosses' man in the most direct and venal sense, knowing the hardship involved for millions of consumers who will pay far higher price increases as a result of those in basic steel, knowing that his own mass supporters (and dupes) will be the final victims, Johnson still permitted the increase and refused to fight it. He could not have told the country more plainly that the present and coming war will be paid for by the poor and profited from by the rich.

And his chief press agent justified him with the bland statement that—"No one can force them to do what they don't want to do."

Maybe not. But Johnson didn't bother to try.

**U.S. Plans Latin Force to Fight Guatemala Guerrillas**

PEKING, July 18, (Hsinhua)—U.S. imperialism is scheming to suppress the Guatemalan guerrillas by using the joint armed forces of the Central American countries, according to a San Jose report.

The U.S.-controlled "Central American Defense Council" at its meeting in El Salvador in late June, decided to use the joint army of the Central American countries to suppress the Guatemalan guerrillas. Although over the past few years the U.S. has supplied the reactionary Guatemalan government with military advisors and arms to suppress the guerrillas, guerrilla activities have continued to develop.

According to a report by the Salvadorian paper "La Prensa" on June 30, the U.S. officer who attended the meeting, threatened that "the Central American joint army should intervene (against the Guatemalan guerrillas), or the U.S. army

would intervene directly.

It was reported too that the meeting had decided to form a Central American joint air force to suppress the liberation struggle in this area. Another resolution approved at the meeting called for a big military exercise to be held under the direction of U.S. officers, this year along the Atlantic coast in Nicaragua.

The meeting was attended by chiefs of staff of the armies of Nicaragua, Honduras, El Salvador and Guatemala, and an observer from Costa Rica.

The "Central American Defense Council," formed under the direction of the United States, is a tool to suppress the national liberation movement in the Central American countries. The Central American joint army was formed in July 1965 in Honduras.

**1st U.S. Base on Indian Ocean**

RAWALPINDI, July 30 (Hsinhua)—The U.S. is carrying out surveys in India's Nicobar Islands with the object of establishing an American military base there in the Indian Ocean with the tacit consent of the Indian government, according to today's Pakistan Times.

The American plan calls for establishing military installations on Nicobar Islands which are 350 miles south of the Andaman Islands where India itself is constructing a huge naval complex.

According to reliable sources,

American naval engineers in the guise of oil prospectors are being flown to these islands for the project.

When the U.S. plan is implemented, the U.S. government will have acquired its first naval base on the Indian Ocean, from which the whole of Thailand, Vietnam, Indonesia, Burma, East Pakistan, and southern China would be within range of U.S. bombers. Furthermore, the U.S. would then control the sea route to the far east through the Malacca Straits.

**Puerto Rican Defies U.S. Draft**

(Reprinted from the San Juan Star.)

Another young Puerto Rican who refused to be inducted in the U.S. Army yesterday pleaded innocent to charges of violating the U.S. Selective Service Act.

The plea was entered before U.S. District Court Judge Hiram Cancio by Gabriel Mezquida Quinones, 22, of Guaynabo.

Mezquida Quinones was indicted in May by a Grand Jury for refusing to submit to induction at Ft. Brooke Last March 29, as ordered by Local Board 29 of Guaynabo.

Judge Cancio allowed the recent University of Puerto Rico graduate to continue to be free on \$2,000 bond.

In an interview after the hearing, Mezquida Quinones declared he refused induction because "as a Marxist-Leninist I cannot join the United States imperialist Army." He added that he was a member of the Puerto Rico Socialist League.

Unlike other young men who have balked at the draft because they would have to swear allegiance to the United States, Mezquida Quinones said he would not enter the U.S. Army "under any circumstances."

Several other potential draftees who refused to be inducted said they would go into the army if they did not have to swear allegiance to the United States.

**50,000 Viet Troops Desert**

HANOI, July 14 (Hsinhua)—About 50,000 puppet troops deserted in the first six months of this year, according to the South Vietnam Liberation Press Agency.

A whole company and half of another company of a puppet ranger battalion deserted on June 18 right after being sent to Saigon to repress the peoples' protest movement.

The U.S. aggressors and their stooges had to transfer the remainder of this battalion to another unit, and sought to black out the incident.

The deserters rejoined their families or left for the liberated areas under the cover and with the assistance of the Saigon population.

In May alone, nearly 2,000 puppet soldiers in the central part of Nam Bo

(South Vietnam proper) crossed over to the peoples' side with their weapons. In Tan An, Cholon, Long Zuyen and Ben Tre provinces and in the plain of Reeds, eight companies of puppet troops left the enemy ranks.

By the end of the same month, almost all the companies of the 7th, 9th and 25th divisions lost from 30 to 40 per cent of their men. The 46th battalion of the 25th Division in Tan An-Cholon only has two companies left with 34 men.

In Ben Tre, the puppet armymen in coordination with the guerrillas rose in 47 mutinies, destroyed several enemy posts, punished many cruel agents, and then left for the liberated area with their arms and applied to join the resistance war against U.S. imperialism.

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## Lesson of the Counter-Revolution: No Peaceful Road to Socialism

## Indonesian Youth Statement

A number of impatient "leftists" in the U.S. have been unsparing in their criticism of the Indonesian revolutionaries for "allowing" the pro-U.S. counter-revolution to do its bloody work so effectively in their country.

These "leftists" are utterly wrong to seek the main reasons for the bloodbath in the policies of the oppressed, particularly since they have so few criticisms of the role of the Indonesian and U.S. oppressors in the matter.

But it so happens that the Indonesian revolutionaries understand quite well what happened in their country and have drawn the lessons quite as sharply as many sideline generals.

The People's Youth League of Indonesia, for example, in reporting to the Assembly of the World Federation of Democratic Youth held in Sofia, Bulgaria, during June, observed that:

"The bloody terror perpetrated by the fascist military regime against the progressives and democrats of our country has demonstrated to us the total bankruptcy of the theory of the possibility of a peaceful transition to socialism. If peaceful transition to socialism is indeed possible, where if not in Indonesia might such a transition take place?"

"As is well known, before October, 1965, the organized masses of the Indonesian people had actively

participated in the shaping of the Government's policies, both domestic and foreign. And when such a transition is not possible in Indonesia, then we believe that at any time and any place the so-called peaceful transition to socialism will never happen. From our own direct experience we have become more aware that no reactionary forces will voluntarily allow the revolutionary forces to achieve victory in a peaceful way."

Commenting on the revisionist campaign against the leaders of People's China in this connection, the delegation added:

"At a time when the progressive forces of Indonesia are faced with grave difficulties, certain false revolutionaries slander the Indonesian progressives, particularly the Communists, by claiming that the difficulties they are now encountering are caused by their adherence to the so-called Peking dogmatic line and by their refusal to follow the line of the false revolutionaries or the modern revisionists. We categorically reject this slander. We wish to emphasize our stand that all the policies and actions taken by the Indonesian progressive forces are the sole responsibility of the Indonesian progressive forces themselves."

The Indonesian Youth delegation obviously did not just arrive at their convictions on peaceful transition, etc. since the counter-revolution in

their country. The delegates fought hard at the conference for a revolutionary line there and warned the world youth body against liquidating itself into a mish-mash of revisionism without a sharp and clear stand on co-existence, wars of liberation, etc.

"No co-existence is possible," the delegation asserted to the assembly, "between the oppressors and the oppressed, between the reaction and the forces which strive for progress, between the counter-revolutionaries and the revolutionaries. To impose the principle of peaceful co-existence with U.S. imperialism upon the peoples and youth who are fighting resolutely for

their liberation, will mean to assist imperialism, because this will disarm the vigilance of the peoples in the struggle..."

"To maintain its domination in the world and to check the growing revolutionary struggle waged by the peoples of the world, U.S. imperialism is resorting to nuclear blackmail. The WFDY should try to mobilize the youth of all countries to resist this imperialist policy of nuclear blackmail and to oppose the imperialist nuclear monopoly. We believe that we should not make an indiscriminate call for a nuclear non-proliferation, partial ban of nuclear tests, for nuclear disarmament etc., without recognizing the fundamental difference in character between nuclear weapons in the hands of the imperialist forces and nuclear weapons in the hands of the revolutionary forces."

## Rob Williams, Mae Mallory Speak On Black Power in Peking and N.Y.C.

PEKING, August 8 (Hsinhua)—Robert F. Williams, a leader of Black Freedom fighters who is now in exile, spoke to an audience of over 10,000 people here today. He said, "We have some white Americans with us in our struggle. They are our true brothers."

In the name of revolutionary Afro-Americans, he said, "We shall take the torch of freedom and justice into the streets of racist America and we shall set the last great stronghold of Yankee imperialism ablaze with our battle cry of BLACK POWER! FREEDOM NOW OR DEATH!"

When he finished he was warmly embraced by Premier Chou En-lai to tremendous and prolonged applause.

NEW YORK, August 6—Mae Mallory, collaborator of Robert Williams, spoke before tens of thousands of anti-war protestors in New York's center. She said, "We are inspired by and salute the great People's Republic of China."

The early United States was of course quite an improvement over feudal and semi-feudal Europe. But even so, elections were not quite what they were cracked up to be.

All slaves, all women and most non-property-owning males were excluded from the ballot. And the popular vote for President was so tiny that it wasn't even recorded until 1824!

Washington and the more radical democrat, Jefferson, were chosen by much less than one per cent of the population.

In 1824 John Quincy Adams won with slightly over one per cent of the population voting for him. His opponent, Andrew Jackson, got 1.5 per cent—a third more than Adams. But since the Electoral College was deadlocked over a three-candidate race, the House of Representatives made the choice and "democratically" picked Adams! (Jackson made it at the next election four years later with a then-unprecedented five per cent of the country voting for him.)

Lincoln, like Jackson in 1824, won not a majority of those voting in 1860, but a plurality. Unlike Jackson, he assumed office, but his victory sparked the Civil War. In 1864 Lincoln would have lost if the white South had been allowed to vote (fortunately, they weren't) and if they had voted for McClellan, who wanted to end the Civil War without ending slavery. (The black majority in the South, although "Emancipated," still did not have the vote.)

One successful gimmick for capitalist Presidential candidates started by Woodrow Wilson, is this: Say you are pledged to peace and vow not to send American boys to fight on foreign soil—but don't start the war till you get elected.

Truman and Johnson hopped up even this cynical formula to the point where they got elected as peaceful saviors of the common man, then made war and called it peace.

The moral to all this is not that the oppressed should never under any conditions vote—but that they should never expect to get freedom or soften the hearts of their oppressors with just a ballot.

## Engineered by Old Hands in the U.S.

## S. Viet Election Fraud Nothing New

By Eleanor Stephens

Next month's elections in Vietnam are even more of a joke than a fraud. They will exclude all of North Vietnam, all the NLF-held territory (over two-thirds of South Vietnam) all neutralists, all Communists, all dissident Buddhists.

And if the remaining fraction should elect a Constituent Assembly that "Premier" Cao Ky considers Communist or even neutralist, he declares in advance that his army will overthrow it. (U.S. Secretary of State Dean Rusk assures his listeners at home that Ky doesn't mean what he says, but Ky then reassures the world he certainly does!)

It's a joke. But it's an old joke—the U.S. ruling class has been playing it for quite a while.

When they sponsor "free elections" in the U.S. itself, they make sure the only freedom involved is the freedom to choose one or another of their own hand-picked candidates. And with their multi-billion dollar network of TV, radio, newspapers, movies and magazines, they don't have to resort to stuffing ballot boxes or forging names from tombstones very much, either.

When they sponsor "free elections" in other countries, where they do not have such open and absolute control, and there is often a substantial difference of program between the major candidates, they are somewhat more crude.

They stage bloody coups and counter-revolutions through the instrumentality of the CIA. And in more "normal" and "peaceful" channels, they also pour millions of dollars into plastering billboards, running ads, buying radio and TV time and buying puppet politicians in half the countries of the world.

Sometimes, when the insurgent masses move too quickly to be controlled, an election really does express the will of the majority—and

the U.S. capitalists have to take other steps to keep control.

Take, for example, the Congo elections of 1960.

Lumumba's party proved to have SIX TIMES as much popular support as Tshombe's. But the imperialist rulers of Europe and the U.S. conspired to drive Lumumba from power, dissolve the Congo Parliament, deliver Lumumba to his enemies, who murdered him, and finally handed over the power to the Congo's most hated misleader—the repudiated puppet, Moise Tshombe! Elections in the U.S. itself were



And when the election method doesn't work, the ruling class overrules it by force. In Argentina, after the elected government was removed, gestapo tactics (above) were used on university students and faculty who objected.

always manipulated by the ruling classes. But the first fully imperialist-dominated election was in 1896.

When Bryan, the Populist demagogue, first ran against McKinley, the bankers' man, McKinley's backers were so desperate to get him in the White House working for them, they engineered one of the most vicious slander campaigns in history against Bryan. Having infinitely greater financial resources than Bryan, the campaign worked,

Nowadays the major U.S. candidates with the major publicity seldom have the kind of deep differences between them that tear the ruling class apart.

But when the black voters of Georgia twice elected an open opponent of the Vietnam war to the state legislature in the past year, that body twice refused to seat him. Julian Bond is to this day illegally prevented from representing his people.

And when the Black People have a mass campaign to merely register for the vote, the racist ruling class

unleashes all the forces of hellish depravity at their command.

When real issues are at stake, the rulers either won't allow the vote, or refuse to abide by the result, if it goes against them.

Not only "backward" Georgia, Mississippi, etc., but "advanced" New York State also operates this way. In 1919, there were five Socialist legislators elected during the militancy inspired by the Russian Revolution. The Legislature refused to seat them.

# From Tenant Peasant to Scientist in China

By Hsu Chien

obtained from his carefully tended plot, for fear that his landlord might exact higher rents.

During the land reform after liberation, Chen Yung-kang received land. Realizing that his whole world had changed, he worked more intensively than ever, and in 1951, he succeeded in reaping the exceptionally high yield of over 500 kilogrammes of rice per mou (one 15th of a hectare).--a hectare is about 2-1/2 acres--ed.

tical guidance. Wherever he goes, he draws large crowds of rice farmers eager to learn from him.

In 1958, Chen Yung-kang was invited to undertake research work at the Kiangsu branch of the Chinese Academy of Agricultural Sciences, so that with the help of the scientists he could systematically sum up his rich experience for wide popularization.

Experimental plots were allo-

## THE RICE DOCTOR

He knows so much about the rice plant that he only has to finger the leaf, flip the leaf tip and glance at the root of a plant, to tell whether the whole plot will give a satisfactory yield or not. Many rice farmers call him "The Rice Doctor" because of his skill in restoring a "sickly" paddy field to healthy growth. Some agronomists say, "It almost seems as if Chen Yung-kang talks to the rice plant."

In the last few years, Chen Yung-kang has written several scientific theses in cooperation with other rice experts. A book summing up his experience in achieving high yields of paddy rice was published in 1963. Now students learn his technique in agricultural schools and spare-time classes throughout Kiangsu, his home province.

Chen Yung-kang is known as one of the foremost rice experts in China today. Since 1954 he has been elected time and again to the National People's Congress, China's highest organ of political power.

He is as modest as ever, working and learning with the same remarkable vigor. When a fine strain of rice seed he had evolved after years of effort was superseded by one bred by other people, he recommended the new strain to those rice farmers with whom he came in touch, and himself avidly studied how to make the new strain produce the highest possible yield.

Though a recognized scientist, he is frequently seen working barefoot in the paddy fields, even when conducting inspection tours or giving guidance to other rice growers. He lives simply and is easily approached. Of his achievements, he says, "The set of rice growing techniques attributed to me is in reality rather a product of collective intelligence and labor."



Chen Yung-Kang describes his technique of rice cultivation to visitors at his demonstration farm. —Photo, China Features.

## HE SAW IT BELONGED TO THE PEOPLE

Not long afterwards, Chen was elected a national model peasant. It was when he came to the 1952 National Day celebrations in Peking and clinked glasses with Chairman Mao Tse-tung at a banquet, that he realized the country now really belonged to the people, to those formerly impoverished and oppressed like himself.

From that time on, he has always been ready to help other farmers to win high yields. He has frequently given lectures and on-the-spot prac-

cated to him, scientific instruments were put at his disposal, and scientific workers assigned to help him. He took enormous pains to acquire a theoretical knowledge of rice cultivation.

With his newly acquired fund of scientific knowledge, Chen Yung-kang has been able steadily to improve his technique. Before he took up research work he had won a yield of 500 kilogrammes or more per mou only three times in all his thirty years of farming, but he has since hit the mark on many more occasions.

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struggle against U.S. imperialism has "persuaded some generals in Washington...that the United States must be prepared to put as many as 750,000 fighting men in Vietnam soon."

After this trial balloon and after a secret meeting with Johnson at the Texas White House on August 14, General William Westmoreland hinted to reporters that the number of U.S. troops in Vietnam actually will reach 750,000 next year.

Just 24 hours after the Pentagon announced the stepped up draft call, Secretary of State Dean Rusk tipped off the world to the next stage in U.S. war strategy.

At a Washington news conference on August 6, Rusk was asked about U.S. military policy in the demilitarized zone. He tacked onto his answer the apparently irrelevant remark that "We have not wanted to go into the zone or cross the 17th parallel." This had an ominous significance in spite of the innocent disclaimer.

After answering a question about "not wanting" to invade North Vietnam—a question which nobody asked!—Rusk cynically added that the U.S. "didn't want" to bomb North Vietnam or South Vietnam, either. Since the U.S. is already bombing North and South Vietnam, his implication was that it would soon be invading the North in spite of "not wanting to."

This backhanded technique of announcing Washington's program for an Asian slaughter was clearly understood by reporters from the capitalist press, but only the New York Times, which is mildly op-

posed to the escalation, picked it up.

"His (Rusk's) fuzzing of the significance of the border as a limit to United States Military strategy" wrote the Times correspondent, "was apparently deliberate....By equating United States reluctance to move north of the 17th parallel with its reluctance to do what it was already doing—that is bombing North Vietnam—Mr. Rusk made his warning evident."

## - Rally

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the Vietnamese people but the white ruling class of the U.S. and its racist stooges. She said to the largely white audience, "If at times you find yourself facing the fury of an angry Black community, you must realize you have placed yourself between us and the enemy. You have only to step aside or better yet join with us to eliminate all oppression..."

Donaldson drew an immediate response from the crowd when he prefaced his prepared speech by calling attention to the glass and concrete towers (Bankers' Trust, The Chemical Bank, Morgan Guaranty Trust, Union Carbide) which surrounded the rally site as the home of those interests which are making the war in Vietnam. He told the crowd that "the day of moral protest is over" and that "in the struggle between the oppressed of the world against the beast, you have to decide which side you're going to fight on."

Sixto Alvelo of MPI, who has refused to go into the U.S. Army, said that Puerto Ricans want independence just like the Vietnamese people do. He said, "We salute and solidary with all North American pro-

gressives...We express today our full and unconditional support to the Afro-American people in their struggle to control their own destinies."

Family members of the three soldiers (Mora, Samos, and Johnson) who refused to go to Vietnam were presented on the speakers' platform and were applauded by the thousands of spectators.

## -HUAC

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Harold Supriano and John W. Smith, active with the DuBois clubs; Anatol Anton, organizer of a group in Stanford U. which sent medical aid to the NLF; Allen Krebs, president of the Free University of N.Y., which has sponsored anti-war discussions, etc.

Ostensibly, HUAC's current hearings are being held to consider an amendment to the McCarran Act proposed by one of HUAC's leading members, Democratic Rep. Joseph R. Pool of Texas. Pool's amendment would make it a 20-year prison offense to help any group or persons acting in hostile opposition to the armed forces of the U.S.

Aside from circumventing the Constitution, which requires a declaration of war by Congress before an "enemy" can even be defined, this would make it a crime to defend striking workers or Black Freedom Fighters if the U.S. Army should attack them!

The anti-war forces are responding to HUAC's crude attempt at intimidation by organizing a mass demonstration in Washington, where the hearings are scheduled to be held.

The Fifth Avenue anti-Vietnam War Parade Committee unanimously

agreed to send a number of busloads to this affair. Among the participating organizations in the Parade Committee are those mentioned above and nearly 90 others. Youth Against War and Fascism, one of the participants, figures prominently in the Washington protest.

## "Rights" Fraud

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only one day for a united racist-"liberal" block to vote 389 to 25 for the "anti-riot" amendment. This witch hunt law—the only part of the bill with any real teeth in it—provides the legal foundation for the frame-up of all present and future leaders of the growing Black Rebellion.

The law provides up to 5 years in jail and \$10,000 in fines for anyone who "incites, promotes, encourages or carries on, or facilitates the incitement, promotion or carrying on of a riot or other violent civil disturbance."

The racist Senator from Florida, Willi Cramer, made clear that the law was not gunning for the racist trash who viciously attacked Black demonstrations during the past weeks. Referring to the recent uprisings in Chicago, Cleveland and New York, he said;

"This violence is the work of well trained outside agitators who come into these communities for the express purpose of inciting violent civil disturbances."

Thus, while the racist rulers of America are mounting a nation-wide campaign of violence to turn the Afro-American ghettos into colonial compounds a la Johannesburg and Sharpesville, their stooges in Congress were mocking the people with phony "civil rights" legislation.