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Guerrilla War in the U.S.A.

In the last week of June, and into July, 1966, rioting occurred in Cleveland, Ohio. Four people were killed, scores shot or otherwise injured, and property damage approached two million dollars. As a result, Presiding Judge Thomas J. Parrino of Cleveland's Common Pleas Criminal Court called the Cleveland Grand Jury into special session, and charged it to "establish the immediate cause of the firebombing, shooting, pillaging, general lawlessness and disorder". We quote, from an article by W. Shepler in American Opinion of October 1966, the Grand Jury Report of 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 of or officers in the Communist Party . . . It further notes the presence of many of these same individuals and organizations in another instance of lawlessness and disorder, that on Superior Avenue, which bore many of the striking similarities to the Hough Area disorders.

"It notes the further significant fact that the Superior Avenue episode preceded the Hough Avenue disorders by less than a month.

"Some of the same people were observed in both places on several nights of the disorders.

"This Jury further believes, that, even though what already happened is both regrettable and tragic in every conceivable human aspect, there is a grave potential for repetition of these disorders, or others like them, occurring elsewhere in this community...

"Therefore, this Jury believes its judgment should be made an important part of the formal record of what has happened and of whatever may happen in the rather unpredictable future towards which we all, as citizens of this community are mutually moving wherever we may live, or whatever may be our place in life.

"Finally before making specific reference to adult leaders in these crises areas, and the events leading up to them, the Jury respectfully calls attention to the effective uses made of impressionable, emotionally immature and susceptible young minds by those who for one reason or another have set out to accomplish their designs and objectives in Europe, Asia, South America and elsewhere.

"It is no casual happenstance or coincidence that those throwing fire bombs, or bricks, or bottles, or pillaging or generally engaged in disorder and lawlessness were in the main young people obviously assigned, trained, and disciplined in the roles they were to play in the pattern of these dual outbreaks separated by less than a month.

"Nor, by the same token, is it happenstance, or even just singular coincidence:

"1—That the overall pattern for firebombing and destruction to both the Superior and Hough Areas was so highly selective; 2—That the targets were plainly agreed upon: 3—That certain places were identified to be hit, and that certain other places were similarly spared.

"On both of these occasions, the Superior and Hough disorders, the presence of teenagers previously referred to was observed by the police, by plain clothes officers and undercover agents who had been assigned for long periods to observe these youths.

"With this background firmly established by the Jury's inquiry, and with the help of County Prosecutor John T. Corrigan and his staff, particularly Assistant County Prosecutor John T. Patton, this Jury herewith makes reference to some of the principal and recurring personalities in the chain of events which preceded both the Superior and Hough situations:

THE JFK HOUSE

"The JFK House,* meaning Jomo Freedom Kenyatta House, is located at 8801 Superior Avenue. The leaders are: Lewis G. Robinson, and Beth Robinson,† his wife, living at 1242 E. 89th Street; Harlell Jones, 9716 Hough Avenue; Albert D. Ware-Bey, 11611 Castlewood Avenue; and Philips Morris, 7806 Randell Avenue.

"Lewis Robinson has been affiliated with the Freedom Fighters of Ohio, the Medgar Evers Rifle Club (which he helped to found), the JFK House, of which he is the ultimate head, the Deacons for Defense, and the Revolutionary Action Movement (RAM).

"All of these clubs, to which Lewis Robinson belongs, are black nationalist clubs.

"Testimony before this Jury discredited Lewis Robinson as a leader concerned with generally altruistic interests in youth but rather points to him as inciting these youths to focus their hatreds and as indoctrinating them with his own vigorous philosophy of violence.

"He exerted a profound influence over the JFK youth and he still does.

"Harlell Jones‡ is affiliated with JFK House, the Medgar Evers Rifle Club, RAM; he is Vice President of the Deacons for Defense in spite of his public disavowals and has frequently either presided over or sponsored meetings for black nationalists, and espouses the ultimate revolutionary purpose for adjusting differences or obtaining desired ends.

"Along with Robinson, Harlell Jones caused 2,000 pieces of literature to be printed and circulated, citing alleged instances of "police brutality," and on the eve of the Hough

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^{*†‡} Mr. Shepler's footnotes given on page 3.

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The Party Line

The Standing Committee on Education Against Communism of the highly respected American Bar Association has just published a first-class study entitled Peace or Peaceful Co-existence?* which is an essential handbook for understanding today's non-military world war.

Bertram D. Wolfe, who has been writing about Soviet affairs for 40 years, says in the Foreword:

Brought up in a world of flux and openness, we Americans find it hard to believe in the ruthlessness and durability of despotic systems. Accustomed to tolerance of other nations and other ways, we have been prone to read the idea of live and let live into the phrase peaceful coexistence.

"Our hopes and longings are likely to betray us again and again into a readiness to be deceived by those who have sworn the destruction of all we stand for. From the 'New Economic Policy' of Lenin (which was heralded in its day as a 'return to capitalism' or to a 'free market economy') to Stalin's 'Socialism in one country' (which was hailed as an abandonment of the intention to extend Communist rule to other lands); from the 'Popular Front' and 'Collective Security' to the 'Grand Alliance' and 'One World'; from 'Peaceful Co-existence' to the 'Geneva Spirit' and the 'Spirit of Camp David'; on down to the latest illusions concerning the significance of the Sino-Soviet conflict and the introduction of a few elements of market regulation into centralized planning - the occupational hazard of the intellectual world of our campuses has been not to read too little but too much into involuntary changes, and even tactical manoeuvres and intentionally disarming verbal declarations.

"Each of these tactical alterations or verbal deceptions has been hailed in turn as the softening of the war which the totalitarian state wages on its own people to remake them in accordance with its blueprint and an abandonment of the war for the extension of Communism to all lands. Each manoeuvre and slogan has been greeted as the long awaited 'fundamental transformation'; 'the sobering that comes from the responsible exercise of power over a great nation'; the

*Richard V. Allen, 'Peace or Peaceful Co-existence?' American Bar Association, 1155 East 60th Street, Chicago, Illinois 60637, USA \$1.00.

'response to the pressure of reality'; the modification of totalitarian power by the growth of a 'rationalist technocracy'; the 'sobering effect of privilege upon a new privileged class'; a 'feeling of national responsibility to Russia as against the aim of World Revolution'; the 'quiet digestion period of a sated beast of prey' no longer on the hunt; the 'diffusion of authority which could lead to a constitutional despotism'; the 'mellowing process that sooner or later overtakes all militant movements'; the 'sober second thoughts' which have come at long last 'from a recognition of the universal and mutual destructiveness of nuclear war'; the 'erosion' or even 'the end of ideology'. Each of the expressions in quotation marks is quoted not from some physicist or mathematician or specialist in paediatrics who pauses in his work on his chosen task for a moment to pronounce on a movement and on historical matters which he has not troubled to study, but from the writings of some highly respected specialists in Russian history and Soviet affairs in the Anglo-Saxon world.

"From these reassuring formulae of complacency and hope we have had to turn back each time to the flood of works inculcating misinformation concerning and hatred toward the freedoms of the free world, or to the contemplation of the Berlin Wall and the wastelands and watch towers on each frontier that proclaim the Communist paradise to be a prison for its inhabitants . . .

"It is clear that when Communists employ the language of peace, they do so to mask their true strategic purpose: the isolation, encirclement, weakening, and final destruction of the free world and its way of life.

"The cold war has not concluded, but has entered a new and still more complex phase in which the spectrum of psychological, political, economic, and class warfare will be radically expanded. Such classic techniques as subversion, espionage, propaganda, sabotage, terrorism, deceit, and incited disorder will remain and be refined; but the new techniques of nuclear blackmail are also to be employed whenever feasible. It would seem to be unrealistic to hold, as some do, that nuclear weapons have only a military purpose. Long ago the Soviet Union appreciated fully the political purposes of these enormously destructive modern weapons, and their early decisions to invest huge sums of money and manpower in their development indicate their willingness to attempt to attain real supremacy over the West.

"During the period of peaceful coexistence, the Communists also hope to reap the benefits of a world-wide détente, i.e., a relaxation of tensions. Under such conditions they would hope not only to gain through an American and Western slowdown in armaments, but also to subvert and paralyze hostile governments in the hope that at the critical moment such governments will capitulate or will be incapable of offering effective resistance . . . "

Re-quoted from East West Digest, October, 1966

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riots, circulated the greatest number of these to youths of non-voting age under the plausible guise of urging the defeat of a levy at the polls.

"Special movies of an undisclosed and voluntary interview shown to the Jury presented Harlell Jones as an outright exponent of violence, a black power apostle with a bitter hatred for all whites, a co-founder of the Rifle Club, and in command of at least one rifle club.

"Albert D. Ware-Bey belonged to the same Clubs as Jones. He declined to testify before the Jury. Police agencies presented evidence that Ware-Bey, Robinson and Jones all

purchased quantities of rifles, and all belonged to the Rifle Clubs here and in other cities.

"Ware-Bey expressed no allegiance to his country, professed himself not to be bound by its laws, and in the opinion of the Jury, by both testimony and by his own conduct, was not one who could have other than destructive influence upon youths either at the JFK House or elsewhere.

"There was evidence placed before the Jury that Rifle Clubs were formed, that ammunition was purchased, and that a range was established and used, that speeches were made at JFK House advocating the need for Rifle Clubs, and that instructions were given in the use of Molotov cocktails, and how to throw them to obtain maximum effect.

"Further, irrefutable evidence was shown to the effect that Robinson pledged reciprocal support to and with the Communist Party of Ohio.

"In addition, Robinson attended many meetings at which imported Communist speakers talked and was arrested at one of them.

"It was established before the Jury that the leaders of the W.E.B. DuBois Club and the Communist Youth Party, with interchangeable officers and virtually identical concepts, arrived in Cleveland only a few days before the Hough Area disorders.

"They took up residence at 1844 E. 81st Street, only a short distance from the central point of origin of the Hough Area troubles.

"These men, who came from Chicago, New York and Brooklyn, were Mike Bayer, otherwise known as Mike Davidow, Daniel Mack, Ronald Lucas, and Steve Shreefter.

"They were seen constantly together. They made swift contact with the JFK House leadership, and with Phil Bart, of Middlehurst Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio, and his wife, Connie, who, the evidence showed, are the leaders of the Communist Party throughout the Ohio Valley District including Cleveland.

"With specific regard to the W.E.B. DuBois Club, the evidence further showed that Mike Bayer, Daniel Mack, Ronald Lucas and Steve Shreefter, previously living and residing a large part of their time outside of Cleveland, are currently making plans to move their efforts from the Hough Area over to the West Side: That they are not employed, and are now so far as the Jury knows without any visible means of support but nevertheless are able to carry on their advocacy and to maintain themselves with clothing, food, and shelter from some undetermined source. Finally, evidence was presented that UJAMA is an organization dedicated to black power and has begun its effort to establish itself in the Cleveland area. Their philosophy is that black people should be governed by themselves in every respect and that anything pertaining to the rights of Negroes must be cleared through the central organization of UJAMA which has flourished in New York, and has spread into other places, and is embraced locally by Robinson and his lieutenants at JFK House. In attendance at one specific meeting at which plans for UJAMA in Cleveland were discussed were Robinson, Jones and Ware-Bey. Also in attendance at this meeting were Cornelius Freeman from Cleveland and Oserjiman Adefumi, also known as Serge King, and Gizengaga Latunju, representing New York UJAMA.

"It is this Jury's opinion that the investigative authorities have progressed sufficiently to justify the expectation that they will ultimately, if either urged or permitted to follow beyond what they have thus far gathered, be able to put together all of the pieces to this pattern of lawlessness and disorder.

"Because of this Jury's strong judgment in this regard it earnestly urges its successors to pursue the Superior and Hough disorders with the utmost vigor and determination.

"Nothing less than this should be permitted in the public interest."

*You may find it interesting to learn that the center for the Cleveland insurrection, the J.F.K. House, was closed temporarily in February as a result of lack of funds. In April, leading personalities in The Council of Churches of Christ of Greater Cleveland sought money to reopen the center. Among them were the Reverends Rawlings, Younger, Pennybacker, and Miller. Local Conservatives refer to them as the four horsemen of the Apostasy. Pennybacker is an officer in the National Council of Churches and sponsored a Cleveland appearance of Martin Luther King in 1964. Younger and Rawlings are Leftist activists. Along with others they formed a group called, Support Our Youth. On April eleventh, on Council of Churches stationery, Rawlings sent an appeal for money to many affluent and influential Clevelanders. He requested a total of \$1,062.00 monthly. The funds were to be used to reopen J.F.K. House. It was also made clear that the "present leadership," i.e. Robinson, was to remain. Rawlings ignored Robinson's stormy past, extensive arrest record, and extreme Leftist associations, hailing him as a resident man who said, "please, I'd rather do it myself."

Rawlings stressed the role of "idealism." Hence the naming of the center after "Jomo Freedom Kenyatta the famous African leader." Unmentioned was the fact that Mr. Kenyatta was the head of the dreaded Mau Mau, a Communist terror gang that committed some of the worst atrocities in the history of revolutionary warfare. Eating human eyeballs was a part of the Mau Mau initiation ceremonies. Unmentioned was Mr. Kenyatta's Moscow training and his important role in the International Communist Conspiracy. Unmentioned were the huge portraits of World Communist leaders which adorned the walls of J.F.K. House.

The J.F.K. House program was touted as being recreational and educational. Activities would include dancing, field trips to cultural centers, and lectures on Negro history. No mention was made that the instructor would be Cornelius Freeman, a fired Cleveland school teacher and R.A.M. militant. No mention was made of courses in the manufacture of Molotov cocktails.—W.S.

††In 1961 Mrs. Robinson was trained and taught in Communist Cuba.—W.S.

‡Jones has declared, "I still hate the white man. Policemen who have offended the Negro Community will be targets of violence. They have even been selected by badge number." Cleveland "Civil Rights" groups have already announced plans to purchase equipment to monitor police calls. Vigilante squads will then converge on the scene when Negroes are being arrested. Police will be photographed in the performance of their duties.—W.S.

RHODESIA ACCUSES

by A. J. A. Peck

"In these pages I ask you—you, the people of the United Kingdom, you people of the older dominions, you people of the United States of America, you people of Europe—and the respective governments of each one of you . . . are you not, perhaps even as I write, now guilty of, and contemplating yet, the perpetration of that final treason: the unconscious furthering of the ends of evil in the name of all that is most holy?" That is the question asked in this book—Is it a question that the West can afford to ignore?

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- 1. In 1917-18 Lenin, Trotsky, and a relative handful of ruthless criminals seized power in Russia.
- 2. In 1922, after unlimited use of terror and torture in establishing their tyranny, this Communist gang consolidated Russia proper, Russian Armenia, Azerbaidzhan, Georgia, Byelorussia, and the Ukraine into the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics.
- 3. By 1929 Stalin had exiled Trotsky, and established himself as the successor to Lenin. During the next ten years, through merciless massacres in the Ukraine and elsewhere, and then through a ruthless purge of most of his old fellow revolutionaries, Stalin made himself the absolute boss of the Communist world.
- 4. In 1933 President Franklin D. Roosevelt officially recognized the Soviet régime, thus saving it from financial collapse and at the same time opening our doors to an ever increasing army of Communist diplomats, agents, and spies.
- 5. By 1939 Stalin's long and extensive plans for plunging the world into another war (through the Sorge spy ring and other worldwide diplomatic, espionage, and propaganda activities) were ready for fruition. He then precipitated the war by encouraging Hitler (through a temporary alliance) to invade Poland.
- 6. By the end of 1941 the United States had entered the war. The alliance between Moscow and Washington was now official. For Americans, helping the Communists became fashionable, "patriotic," and profitable. Communist infiltration into positions of power in our government, our press, our educational system, our church organizations, our entertainment field, and every other division of our national life, had been steadily increasing since 1933, when Roosevelt became President. This infiltration was now given new impetus and greater opportunities by the official pro-Communist attitude of the wartime Administration.
- 7. At the end of the war many new manifestations of the fundamental Communist principle of exact reversal came into play, on a massive world-wide scale. To understand this fully it must be realized that everything about Communism is a part of one Big Lie. It is the very purpose of those who control the Communist movement to turn all the world's values upside down; to replace truth with falsehood, order with chaos, religious ideals with satanic amorality, freedom with slavery, compassion with cruelty, and love with hate. These are all ends in themselves. But they are also the means-for-achieving Communist power, as has been clearly spelled out in the Communists' own literature for more than a hundred years.
- 8. In 1945, for instance, the Communists contrived a plan for the United States to finance a great deal of their world-wide progress. The American "foreign aid" program was conceived by Communists, started and nourished along by Communists, and built eventually by Communist influences and propaganda into gigantic proportions, as a

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means of helping the Communists and their socialist forerunners everywhere in taking over their respective countries. But it was sold to the American people, of course, as exactly the opposite; as a means of preventing the Communist advance.

- 9. Another manifestation of the same principle at work was the establishment in 1945 of the United Nations. This organization was conceived by Communists, founded by Communists, has always been controlled by Communists, and has been used increasingly—and ever more brazenly—to carry out Communist purposes. But it was sold by propaganda and pretense to the American people, and to most of the rest of the world, as a means of maintaining peace and preventing Communist aggression.
- 10. Most important of all these gigantic reversals of the truth, however, has been the cruel pretense, all over the world and to the American people, that the United States was the one great enemy of Communism. The fact has been exactly the opposite. Since 1944 the most powerful single force in promoting Communism everywhere, and in turning one nation after another over to the Communist tyranny—as in Czechoslovakia and China and Cuba and the Congo—has been the help of the United States Government to that end. The record to support this statement (and those in the sections above) is absolutely clear to anybody who will give it objective study.
- 11. During the period of 1944 through 1950, with the constant help of various agencies and officials of our government, Stalin extended his European empire to include Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Albania, Bulgaria, Roumania, Yugoslavia, Hungary, Czechoslavakia and East Germany. During that same period, and with the same help from Washington, Stalin extended his Asiatic empire to include Mongolia, Manchuria, North Korea, and all the mainland of China. And the march of Soviet imperialism towards complete global conquest was well under way.

(Because of insufficient space we regret the need to hold over the final paragraphs of this excellent summary for our next issue.)

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