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## STUDENTS STAY AWAY FROM "SURVIVAL WEEK" ACTIVITIES

Survival Week died at RIC due to "Ecology" slogans like "We have met the enemy--and he is ourselves." The problems of exploitation, war, pollution, and imperialist aggression were attributed to man's "drives" and "innate greed." Thus, the "problem" facing us most acutely right now is "people pollution." The solution to pollution is to remove people, according to RIC's worthy experts.

McLaughlin (a clergyman running for senator) said that the United States does not have a "population problem" but the Third World countries do. Since the exploitation is not occurring any longer, the people have no purpose for living, according to the exploiters' logic, so they should stop having children. According to McLaughlin, people in the U.S., however, should increase their population "to spread the tax base", equip and maintain the imperialist army and culture, while "helping birth control programs" abroad. Another expert, Barry Commoner conceded that in the era of colonialism "large populations in Asia and Africa were good because the Mother Country could use the labor power to harvest raw materials." Now, the demand has "declined" and there is a "surplus population."

The "demand" has certainly declined. In over 50 countries around the world the people are rising like a mighty storm, reclaiming their nations, and the wealth of their own hands from those who have robbed them, rocking the imperialist ship to the point of capsizing it and retrieving the earth. The "demand" is not for further exploitation, but for liberation! When the markets shrink and the slaves become hostile, there is a population problem, a hostile population not an "over population."

RIC's contribution to the imperialist lies--the administration-promoted "Survival Week"--was simply one instance of the nation-wide effort of the Rockefeller-Nixon clique' to cover up their crimes throughout the world blaming people and diverting attention from the real contradictions in

the U.S.

"SURVIVAL" EXPERTS CALL FOR FASCISM **2**

Austin Daley, "air pollution expert," talked about the marvels of "big, bad government" which, although big and bad, is "the only solution to our problems." He was in fact calling for fascism, saying fascism was necessary because of "people's stupidity." He said "people" refused voluntary solutions and that fascist rules and regulations must be imposed from above. Daley also pointed out how "generous" the Zionists are to offer 30% of the River Jordan waters to the people living on its banks. But "the Jordanians would rather starve than accept water from Israel." Students pointed out that that was robber's logic. First you steal and then make a token "reparation" and then condemn the people you stole from for not being overjoyed and grateful for the reparation. Palestinians have been evicted from their homes and thrown into the desert by the Zionists. However, oppressed Arabs are taking back their land, building revolutionary organizations such as El-Fateh, and thereby refuting the fascist charge that they are "stupid," "fanatics," and "backward."

Barry Commoner also said that "we are stupid" and our technology is running away with us. A student denounced this lie that people are stupid and pointed out that U.S. imperialist society forces us to pay for the technology which only benefits industrialists and a few lackey scientists and propagandists such as Commoner.

To blame the people for the crises of imperialism, as these "concerned" experts do, is to spread confusion and breed fascism which can only be imposed on a demoralized and isolated people. This is the lesson of "survival week" - the imperialists have their hands full trying to hold back the Vietnamese, Cambodian, Indian, American and all other peoples. Students will continue to reject and oppose the rulers' propaganda against national liberation struggles. People will continue to ORGANIZE TO CHANGE THE WORLD!

DOWN WITH IDEOLOGICAL STORM TROOPERS ! !

DOWN WITH PROPHETS OF DOOM AND GLOOM ! !

ALL SUCCESS TO PEOPLES' NATIONAL LIBERATION  
STRUGGLES ! ! !

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POLLUTION PROBLEM SOLVED IN PEOPLE' REPUBLIC OF CHINA

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Workers in Shanghai, China's largest industrial city with a population of 7 million, have stimulated production and eliminated pollution by making use of valuable materials extracted from industrial waste. Shanghai produces a large amount of waste water, gasses and slag daily. The workers, revolutionary cadres and technicians regard these waste products as precious and have put them to good uses. They conscientiously studied Chairman Mao's great strategic principle "be prepared against war, be prepared against natural disasters and do everything for the people," and criticized Lui Shao-chi's counter-revolutionary revisionist trash such as "putting profit in command." At the same time they stressed the significance of the multiple use of these waste materials for developing industry and for socialist construction. . . After repeated study and experiments, the workers of the Shanghai No. 10 dyestuffs plant succeeded in using the waste gases for producing hydrogen sulfide to make a large amount of sodium sulphide. In doing so they not only increased production, but solved the problems of air pollution.... Electroplating plants used to use highly poisonous sodium cyanide solution for plating with copper, zinc and copper tin, and the waste water was poisonous. The workers of more than 200 electroplating units did a lot of scientific experimentation last year to make the poisonous solution harmless and to improve the plating process.... This makes possible the saving of hundreds of tons of sodium cyanide each year; moreover, the waste water has become fertilizer which is of benefit to farming.... The dyeing and finishing workshop of the Shanghai No. 17 woolen mill used to discharge the waste water after each dyeing of woolen yarn and used new dyestuff for another dyeing. This resulted in a big waste of dyestuff and also caused river pollution. The workers had suggested that the water be used again for dyeing, but the proposal was turned down by the bourgeois technical 'authorities.' Making use of discarded equipment, the workers carried out repeated experiments and finally introduced a new technology to use waste water for dyeing. These reports prove that under socialism, where science and industry are developed to serve the interests of the people and not profits such things as pollution are readily solved.



SOCCIOLOGY SYMPOSIUM: "Why ARE Police in Our High Schools" Student Union, May 6, Lounge "C" 2. PM.

## SYMPOSIUM ON EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY 201

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To challenge the reactionary lines "Flooding the student with too much learning will retard the thought process" and "Are you normal or are you creative?", students in Educational Psychology 201 are conducting a symposium on the two lines in learning. Students will examine the contradiction between passively accepting "scientific" formula and the creative application of their practical experience in an attempt to get at the basis of education.

TUESDAY, MAY 5, STUDENT UNION (place to be announced)

### REACTIONARY CULTURE HINDERS BLACK STRUGGLE

In literary and art criticism, there are two criteria: the political and the artistic. There is the political criterion and there is the artistic criterion: What is the relationship between the two? There is no abstract, unchangeable artistic criterion and no abstract, unchangeable political criterion. Politics is not equated with art; neither is artistic criticism equated with a general world outlook. However, all classes in a class society invariably put the political criterion first and the artistic second.

When Mike Harper, a poet visiting RIC last week, was asked by a student about how his poetry advanced the Black struggle, he replied "I just read my poetry; I'm not here to answer for its political content." Concealing his own evasions, he said "Why don't you get therapy to take care of your guilt" and "I have to leave; I can't stick around and answer these kind of questions"...

To profit from exploiting "Blackness" is the typical reactionary stance of the "Black Art" experts. What is the net result of Harper's "art-for-art's-sake" argument? It results in popularizing irrational concepts of Black "spirituality," "Soul Force". Harper's line was that Black people can relate to Miles Davis because he is Black, but are unable to relate to white musicians. It provides an experience of art in which "Race rules out politics" (LeRoi Jones) and supports cultural businessmen playing their yo-yos of cultural "revolution," revolution from the heads of poets.

Progressive literature by Blacks is the direct opposite of what's being produced by these Black Businessmen of Art.