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ANNOUNCING...

This is the first issue of The Rising Tide, published bi-weekly by the Freedom Leadership Foundation, Inc., sent to you as a complimentary copy. The Rising Tide will examine the international situation today and the challenge facing our nation, particularly in light of the threat of world communism.

WHAT IS FLF?

The Freedom Leadership Foundation is an educational organization, committed to the achievement and preservation of a true world peace which ensures freedom for all peoples. We view the communist ideology with its totalitarian goals and practices as the chief obstacle to that peace. We long for the freedom, which we so cherish, to be extended to all peoples, especially those now under the yoke of Communism.

We do not consider the people of those communist nations to be our foes, nor do we bear any malice toward their leaders who, misguided by their destructive philosophy, have brought so much anguish upon the world. Rather we feel compassion for them- their pain is even greater than our own. Therefore, our work and prayer is for the liberation of all men, and the recognition of the true value of the individual spirit.

FLF is a totally independent organization with no sectarian or partisan political goals. We seek to shape an American foreign policy which adheres to the moral truths and principles that are the necessary foundation for peace. Before God and man, we cannot compromise these principles or lend our support to policies whose objectives are anything less.

We believe that the peace of the world depends upon the credibility of America's commitment to defend that peace. We believe it is the indecisiveness of America in the past, by failing to support our commitments with appropriate actions, that has brought the world closer, not to peace, but to war. We must now urgently state and unmistakably demonstrate our renewal of that commitment.

As a non-profit educational corporation*, FLF has a membership which includes

people from all social, religious and political backgrounds, working together for these common objectives. We seek to respond to the challenge of this world crisis by teaching the responsibilities of freedom, and inspiring and developing dedicated leaders who are committed to the revitalization of our society, protecting its heritage and ideals, while pioneering new levels of achievement.

FLF On Campus

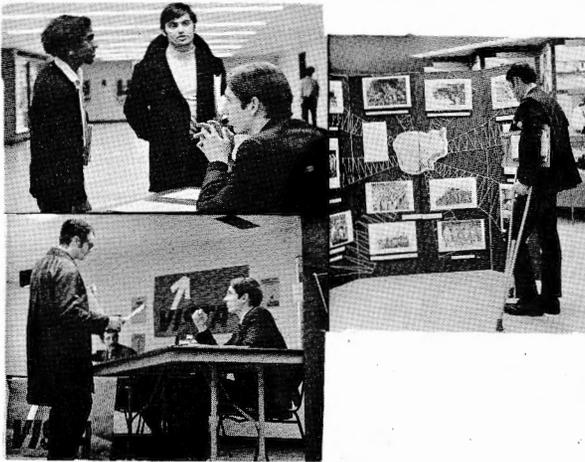
A major concern of FLF-on-Campus is combatting the misinformation about American involvement in Southeast Asia. Because radical propaganda has so often gone unchallenged, we find that few students have any real grasp of the facts and specifics in the case.

One of the more prevalent myths is that "capitalist Amerika" designs her foreign policy to promote wars for the maintenance of a "war economy" and to exploit the resources of the rest of the world. This represents more than just a grievance, but more a basic loss of faith in the whole system by which America developed. Therefore, the FLF strategy is geared not just to winning one or two "issue skirmishes" but to designing programs which develop a small corps of freedom cadres, who can then begin taking responsibility, on successive issues as they come up.

An effective way to both educate the whole campus and develop such cadres is through the use of a campus display and literature table. Our current project, "Long Live Cambodia!" is a good example. Attracted by the colorful and informative display, both radical and conservative are drawn to ask questions and gather literature. After long dialogue, often very heated, many sign the petition which protests the communist invasion of Cambodia. These students will then be invited to a meeting to see films and talk about what they can do to focus attention on the plight of the Cambodians. At such a

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By Whose Mandate?



meeting, everyone is strongly encouraged to become involved by helping at the display, distributing literature, or taking petition around to be signed. In this way, both goals of (1) informing the campus at large, and (2) getting committed students involved are accomplished.

Taking a page from the radical left, we know that only many hours and weeks of manning the table will develop a network of students who understand and care enough to join in the larger cause of revitalizing America's commitment to defend freedom around the world. Supported by the enthusiasm of our growing membership, the national office will keep students around the country supplied with literature, but only as long as our resources allow. This is an important area where your help is urgently needed.

URGENT!

The Freedom Leadership Foundation, Inc. needs funds to continue its regular activities, including publication of this bulletin. This work deserves your financial support. Please help to continue these efforts on campus and in the community, with the most generous contributions you can afford. TODAY!

As part of an increasing campaign to rebuild the momentum of the anti-war movement, and to lend credence to their radical demands, the elitist leadership of the discredited National Student Association is promoting a "treaty of peace" between the peoples of Vietnam and America. Although they claim to be the legitimate spokesmen for American student opinion, and to have met with equally representative groups in North and South Vietnam, the facts hardly bear this out.

For example: the group they allegedly "signed" with in South Vietnam does not even exist. * Actually they "signed" with a few pro-communist members of one of the student groups in Saigon. In essence, the treaty repeats the Hanoi stand at the Paris peace talks.

NSA has been circulating their misnamed "peace treaty" at an increasing number of university and college campuses, primarily as an organizing tool to regroup students for the late April-early May anti-war actions. A case in point is one Florida university, where they succeeded in having a student referendum on the issue. However, the question asked was put forth in this form: "Do you feel that a peace treaty should be signed with Hanoi?" Not surprisingly, most students answered Yes, though few of them had any idea that it was in reference to the NSA "treaty", rather than to the legitimate negotiated end to the war which everyone desires. Even so, this referendum is being pro-claimed by the NSA as an endorsement of its "treaty".

This political activism within NSA, which violated the charter of the organization, caused many responsible student elements six years ago to create an alternative Association of Student Governments, which takes a more apolitical stance, seeking to legitimately serve student interests. In fact, so many universities have cancelled their affiliation with NSA, that the organization ceased publishing the membership back in 1967. Another group, STOP-NSA (Students Opposed to Participation in the National Student Association), 4723 Richmond Avenue, Houston, Texas, has been formed to carry on a campaign exposing the irregularities in NSA - more detailed information is available from them.

* South Vietnam National Student Union. There are five student unions in South Vietnam, none of them national.

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A full analysis of the "treaty" written by the American Youth for a Just Peace, is available from us in whatever quantity needed, along with the coordinated plans of various organizations to counter-act this political fraud on campuses this spring.

FROM THE PRESS

(Ed: The following excerpts from the Evans-Novak column (Washington Post, 10 March, 1971), portray briefly the power struggle behind the events planned for this spring.)

"A heated backstage struggle among leftist groups competing for control of the peace movement has been won (by) the Trotskyists, whose remarkable renaissance has been built through strong college campus ties and consistent nonviolence. The losers were violence-prone New Leftists led by Rennie Davis, who favored revolutionary civil disobedience for the spring demonstrations.

"That means violence here this spring will be scattered rather than planned. But there is a more dangerous implication. The well-meaning... are at the mercy of backstage power struggles as to whether or not they will be unwitting tools and victims of a possibly violent upheaval.

"The struggle really began in June and September, 1970, with "strategy action conferences" at the University of Wisconsin by the National Coalition against War, Racism and Repression. The name was new, but the organization was, in fact, the New Mobilization Committee, which ran the November, 1969, antiwar demonstrations, as a coalition of far-left groups including the Communist Party.

"The September, 1970 conference adopted an eight-month strategy calling for an ultimatum to Washington that failure to end the war by May 1, 1971, would provoke civil disobedience designed to bring the federal government to its knees.

"Here was the hand of Rennie Davis, convicted in the Chicago conspiracy trials... The National Coalition changed its name to the People's Coalition of Peace and Justice, with Davis a key officer.

"But in December, 1970, a conference was called in Chicago by the National Emergency Conference Against the Cambodia-Laos-Vietnam War - tightly controlled by the Trotskyist Socialist Workers Party and its strong ally on the campus, the Young Socialist

Alliance. It scheduled an antiwar rally for April 24, just one week before Rennie Davis' big push.

"By February, People's Coalition leaders were pressuring the Trotskyists to cancel their April 24 demonstrations. The Trotskyists refused.

"That forced the People's Coalition to meet in Washington the weekend February 26 - 28. Among the 60 or so present were representatives of the Communist party, the National Welfare Rights Organization, the War Resisters League and the newly formed May Day collective, backing Rennie Davis' tactics of disruption.

"The consensus of the meeting was that the Trotskyists had preempted the field with their April 24 rally and that the People's Coalition should co-sponsor it. Davis objected, holding that those who came here April 24 would not stay for his May disruptions. Davis was overridden, however, when several groups threatened to withdraw financial support unless the April 24 demonstration was co-sponsored...

"Davis finally yielded and gave lip service to nonviolence..."

Ed: What most knowledgeable observers are worried about is that these internal factions will become an explosive combination, when brought together, uncontrolled and uncontrollable.

THE LABOR VIEW

(Ed: Student-worker relations have concerned the radical movement, based on theoretical common interests. The following excerpts from the statement by the AFL-CIO Executive Council on U.S. Strength and World Responsibility in Bal Harbor, Florida, February 19, 1971. The obvious failure to create an American Worker-Student Alliance merely underscores the fact that communism has never attracted the "proletariat" in any country, as claimed by a small totalitarian elite in the "name of the people.")

"The most disturbing feature of the present world situation is the continued growth of Soviet military power and political influence. The Soviet Union has already attained a rough parity with the U.S. in strategic arms and seeks to catch up with and surpass our country in the nuclear field. This would be a serious threat to world peace, because the avoidance of a global conflict has - since the end of World War II - depen-

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ded on the overwhelming atomic superiority of the U.S. Emboldened by its growing military might, the U.S.S.R. has intensified tension and conflict in Southeast Asia and the Middle East. In Europe, Moscow has been maneuvering to undermine NATO and gain Allied de jure acceptance of its post-war conquests. These Kremlin moves conflict with the paramount goal of American foreign policy - the preservation of peace with freedom.

"Despite these Soviet moves for worldwide extension of its power, the withdrawal of American troops from South Vietnam continues and the end of our combat role is in sight. Simultaneously, Vietnamization has made encouraging progress not only militarily but also in land reform, the pacification of the countryside, and greater political stability...

"Unable to conquer South Vietnam and the rest of Indochina, through military power, **Hanoi**, fully supported by Moscow and Peking **has sought**, at the Paris negotiations, to **achieve this take-over through a political settlement** calling for unconditional acceptance by Washington and Saigon of its program for Communist control. Capitulation to this demand would mean the abandonment of South Vietnam and all Southeast Asia to Communist domination - a grave blow to world peace and freedom...

"The crisis in the Middle East remains serious; not even a stable truce, let alone a just and lasting peace, is in sight. The heavy influx of Soviet military personnel and sophisticated weapons, especially into Egypt, continues...

"The Jarring talks have progressed slowly mainly because the Arab governments insist on complete Israeli withdrawal from occupied territories without granting Israel "The secure and recognized borders" called

for by the U.N. Security Council Resolution of November 22, 1967.. Clearly Moscow aims to perpetuate hostility and strife between Israel and her neighbors in order to win a firm grip on the Arab countries and make them militarily and economically dependent on the U.S.S.R.

"We strongly urge President Nixon to have our government provide Israel with unstinting financial and military assistance so that she can survive as an independent, prosperous democratic nation...

"Since the end of World War II, the USSR's goal in Europe has been to secure control over the entire continent. Hence, the Soviet Union has been seeking the dismantlement of American bases, the withdrawal of American forces from Europe and the break-up of NATO. These are the real objectives of the so-called Security Conference. In reality, such a conclave would not further European security but rather insecurity by separating the continent from America, by crumbling the West European democracies.

"To thwart these Soviet maneuvers, it is most urgent that Western Europe be strengthened through closer economic and political cooperation. The admission of Great Britain and other democratic countries to the European Economic Community would be a significant step in this direction. The NATO must be strengthened. In this connection, we commend America's NATO partners for their resolve to increase their contributions to the common defense efforts. Finally, in this precarious situation, there can be no room for a neo-isolationism in our country. American troops should stay in Europe as long as the Soviet Union pursues its imperialist designs. American military might, which is the cornerstone of the Western defense system and the preservation of world peace and freedom, must be maintained at a level capable of deterring and defeating aggression."

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