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F.O.R. NATIONAL COUNCIL INDICATES "KINSHIP" WITH CATONSVILLE AND MILWAUKEE DRAFT BOARD RESISTERS

Returning to its former pattern of twice-yearly meetings, the National Council of the F.O.R. met on November 20, 21 and 22 to discuss and forward a wide range of program ideas and operational emphases.

Having evaluated a new membership survey, 26 members and staff considered the opportunities and problems of education and the church of women and youth, and explored relationships with other peace and civil rights organizations. The most far-reaching decision was to authorize a trans-national program outlined by Alfred Hassler that would place the survival of man and his impulse to freedom above limited nationalistic aims.

Last act of the three-day session was to adopt a resolution, the text of which appears below:

"Members of the National Council of the Fellowship of Reconciliation feel a deep sense of kinship with the twenty-three persons who at Catonsville, Maryland, and Milwaukee, deliberately risked long prison terms in an act of conscientious violation of law designed to demonstrate their passionate resistance to the war. We feel lovingly close to those who are our fellow FOR members: Daniel and Philip Berrigan, already convicted, and James Forest, under indictment. We share the goal to which they dedicated their dramatic acts: the creation of a non-exploitative human community in which governments will not have the right to force men into involuntary servitude for the purpose of killing their fellows, and rededicate ourselves and all our acts to the same objectives."

(A fuller, illustrated report will appear in the January FELLOWSHIP)

LATE NOTE— Charles Billups, founder of the Alabama Christian Movement for Human Rights was robbed and shot to death in Chicago last month. The 41-year-old Negro minister was the subject of a FELLOWSHIP article in 1959, *The Man Who Escaped the Cross* by James Lawson.



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Happy
Holidays
from
all the staff

Nonviolent Leadership Emerges from Colombia Conference

By GLENN E. SMILEY

Priests, nuns, engineers, teachers and professors, students, seminarians, labor leaders, lawyers and the poor from eleven countries converged on the Barrio of Santo Domingo in Medellin, Colombia, Oct. 8-12 for a workshop on nonviolent methods in revolution. The Barrio of Santo Domingo is an area outside the city which was settled over a four year period in a nonviolent land "invasion" by poor folk who now number about 7000. They and their little church entertained the more than 85 delegates. An international team included Jean and Hildegard Goss-Mayr of France and Austria, Hector Merino of Argentina and Glenn E. Smiley of the U.S.A.

In the memory of the writer, no workshop since Montgomery has offered greater potential for social change. Emerging from the conference as a symbolic as well as actual leader of nonviolence in Colombia was Padre Gabriel Diaz, priest of the little Barrio Church named Casa

de los Pueblos de Dios (House of the Peoples of God). The poverty of these rejected people brought memories of Gandhi's untouchables. The untouchability of the Barrio of Santo Domingo is economic—not racial. More than half make less than \$10 per month with an average family size of 5-6. Forgotten by Medellin, they live without electricity and until recently without water. Twenty percent do not even have outdoor latrines, and a baby died of starvation during the seminar. There are no medical services for the Barrio. Yet, under Padre Gabriel the people organized an action council, provided their own internal security and developed plans for a fight for electricity, already referred to as the "Battle of the Candles." The similarity to Montgomery is eerie. Nonviolence is not dead. It is living and doing well in Barrio Santo Domingo.

Conferences similar to the above were also held in Costa Rica and Mexico City later in the month.

Military Acts Against GI Resistance; GI Numbers Against War Grow

Military harassment of GIs outspoken in their opposition to the Vietnam war is increasing, but so are the numbers of GIs expressing that opposition.

For their part in the recent 10,000-strong San Francisco peace march, Lt. Susan Schnall of the Oak Knoll Naval Hospital in Oakland, Cal. and Airman Michael Locks of the Hamilton Air Force Base face courtmartial. Both were organizers of the march and both wore their uniforms during it.

More than 200 active-duty U.S. servicemen and several thousand veterans participated in the march. Military efforts to prevent it were strong. Specifically, military authorities ordered those members of the armed services involved in the demonstration shipped out of state—or, as in one case, as far away as Taiwan—but several appealed to federal courts and halted the action. Also, the authorities issued a memo urging “this demonstration be quashed if possible because of severe impact on military discipline through the services.” It noted, however, that “in the absence of a regulation or order specifically prohibiting such activities we believe any prosecution would be tenuous to say the least, particularly in view of the political climate of the day.”

At Fort Lewis, Wash., the 1st Squadron of the 18th Armored Reserve Unit has caused so much trouble that their Vietnam orders were cancelled. The group joined ten other reserve units across the country in a Supreme Court appeal of their transfer orders for Vietnam. They also painted peace symbols around the base, obstructed their training cycle and sabotaged their equipment.

At Fort Carson, Colorado, there are 150 men in the stockade for having refused riot duty in Chicago during the Democratic National Convention. Some 43 servicemen were put in the stockade at Fort Hood, Texas, also for refusing to participate in riot control.

Xerox Inventor Gives Part of His Fortune to the FOR

Chester F. Carlson, inventor of the Xerography process, who died at the age of 62, on September 19, named the F.O.R. in his will, together with 16 other organizations. An unassuming man with a deep interest in peace and social justice, he had already assisted the FOR in a number of projects, the latest being a contribution toward the cost of advertising the “It’s time to disarm America” theme. His invention thirty years ago has produced a multi-million-dollar organization. The size of his personal estate has not been announced, but it is known that the FOR will receive 2% of the final settlement.

NEW LITERATURE

Unless otherwise indicated, all literature is available from Fellowship Publications, Box 271, Nyack, N. Y.

Special Form No. 150 for COs has been substantially changed by Selective Service and brought into conformity with the Military Selective Service Act of 1967. For information about this write: CCCO, 2016 Walnut St., Philadelphia, Pa. Their Sept.-Oct. 1968 edition of *News Notes* carries a detailed outline of the changes. Order copies of the new form from F.O.R.

Three 1969 calendars and appointment books are now available. The War Resisters League edition is devoted to the life of Gandhi in celebration of Gandhi Centennial year. There are selections from Gandhi’s writings and photographs of his life and work. Price: \$1.75. Order from: WRL, 5 Beekman St., N.Y.C. The SANE edition is dedicated to Martin Luther King Jr. and contains quotations on war and peace by such well-known writers as Camus, Russell, Tolstoy, Jarrell, and Mayer. Price: \$2.50. Write: SANE, 381 Park Ave. S., N.Y.C. International Peace Diary, pocket size in leather: \$1.50 from F.O.R.

Vietnam and the Crashing Dominoes by D. F. Fleming is a hard-hitting, realistic appraisal of U.S. foreign policy. Price: 10¢ a copy.

The Poor People’s Campaign is a moving photographic representation with text in a large format. Price: \$1.00. Order from: Southern Christian Leadership Conference, 334 Auburn Ave., N.E., Atlanta, Ga. 30303.

Two new Catholic Peace Fellowship booklets are now available: *A Vocation Called Peace* by Gordon C. Zahn which discusses the need for a “total and unequivocal rejection of war and violence” and *Conscience and the Just War* by John Courtney Murray, S.J., a cogent analysis of selective objection, the Just War concept, and the political community. Both are available at 10¢ a copy.

The FOR piece *Americans and South Vietnamese voted for peace . . . got war. Why?* is now available in two formats. The folder, containing detailed information, is 2¢ a copy. The leaflet, concise and useful for handouts, is 1¢ a copy. A “white paper” *America’s Political Prisoners in Vietnam*, a documented study, is 10¢.

Is it true that the Czechoslovak resistance to the invasion of five Warsaw Pact nations was “the most dramatic case of nonviolent action against foreign aggressors that the world has ever known”? There is much reason for such a sweeping conclusion, thinks George Lakey in *Czechoslovakia’s Resistance* reprinted from November FELLOWSHIP. Price: 5¢ a copy.

American Jewish Congress Supports Selective Objection

The national governing council of the American Jewish Council has called for government recognition of selective conscientious objection and a change in the law to permit conscientious objection “on the basis of ethical and moral as well as religious grounds.”

“It runs counter to our national and religious principles,” AJC said in a statement, “to compel a man to carry and use a gun against another man in a cause that he regards as morally wrong.”

The statement is similar to those already approved by the National and World Council of Churches and several denominational bodies.

The Council also called for a wide variety of “non-punitive alternate forms of service” for selective objectors.

Americans Toured U.S. After Visit With Deserters

Sixteen Americans went on a speaking tour of the United States following their visit with military deserters and draft resisters in Sweden and France during October. The group sought to generate popular support for the men. In addition to speaking, members of the delegation wrote articles and appeared on various TV and radio networks.

“We miss these young men in America,” a spokesman for the group said. “We need them and we hope some day many of them will return; but in the meantime we are profoundly thankful to the Swedish people for welcoming them and for sharing with them the hospitality of this generous and civilized land.”

The project was sponsored by Clergy and Laymen Concerned About Vietnam. Harvey Cox of Harvard Divinity School and John Cogley, a former editor of *Commonweal* magazine, were members of the team.

DATE:

Dec. 27-29, Non-Registration Conference at: The Back Bench, 23 40th Street, Philadelphia, Pa. For information write: Wally Nelson, 2810 Hamilton St., Philadelphia, Pa. 19104.

A journal of news and opinion from American deserters and draft resisters all over the world is now being issued on a regular basis. Entitled *The Second Front*, it is put together by deserters and draft resisters in France and Sweden, with editors in both countries. The focus of the magazine is on the effective political work that can be done through draft resistance. For a copy of the magazine or for more information write: American Deserters Committee, c/o Verdandi, Gotgatan 73, Stockholm, Sweden.

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Donald Butler	Walter Vann Jones	Stephen Reid
Richard Cool	David Kelley	Raymond Stauffer
Thomas Crawford	Dan Kelly	David Thompson
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Federal Youth Institution, Ashland, Kentucky

Charles Thomas, Timothy Zimmer, Dan Bromley

Federal Correctional Institution, Danbury, Connecticut

Peter Irons, Tom Corneli, Edmund Kittredge, Edward Oquendo, Richard Dominick, Earl Jenkins

Dane County Jail, Madison, Wis.

Jim Auler

Federal Prison, El Reno, Okla.

Thomas Jepson, Argyle Jansen

Federal Youth Center, Englewood, Colo.

John Akeson

Federal Prison, La Tuna, Tex.

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Federal Prison, Lewisburg, Pa.

Gary Hicks, Arthur Schrock, Thomas Lewis, Ronald J. Smith, Jim Wessner, Richard Clay, David Reed, Richard B. Clay, Jeremy Mott

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Federal Prison, Marion, Ill.

Fred Aviles, Clifford Turner, Steven Thompson

Federal Penitentiary, McNeil Island, Washington

Mel Acheson, Guy Colwell, Lawrence Sherry

Federal Prison, Milan, Mich.

Odin Johnson, Robert Hill

Federal Prison Camp, Montgomery, Alabama

Albert Carvella

Federal Reformatory, Petersburg, Virginia

Jay Harker, Robert Talmanson

Federal Prison, Safford, Arizona

John Banks, Dena Rae Perk, Leonard Ray Davis, Hiawatha Davis, Joseph Malzish, Richard Lee Mussman, Frank Dolling, Louis Baltomeo

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Federal Prison, Springfield, Mo.

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Naval Correctional Institute, Portsmouth, N.M.

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Treasure Island Brig, San Francisco, Calif.

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7800 Freiburg/Br. Wonnhalde 5

Wonnhalde 5

CAMPS FOR CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS, DOING ALTERNATIVE SERVICE

DENMARK

Talsmaendene, Gribskovlejren, 3230 Graested

Talsmaendene, Kompdalvejren, 7442 Engesvang

There is also a group of CO's in a social school in Copenhagen. Their address is:

Militaerneegterne, Kofeds Skole, Dronningensgade 34, Copenhagen S.

BELOGIUM

Service Civil, rue Bonnehère, Kemexhee (par Oreye), Belgium

Radioactivity Causes Infant Mortality Rise, Physicist Says

Infant mortality in America has increased by 25 percent since the start of atmospheric nuclear testing in 1951, according to radiation physicist Ernest J. Sternglass of the University of Pittsburgh.

Infant deaths are continuing at a rate of 34,000 a year above the anticipated levels, he said, although the number has been dropping slowly since the signing of the test ban treaty in 1963. Sternglass said the figures strongly suggest the deaths may have been due to fallout from nuclear tests.

The increase in deaths totalled 375,000 between 1951 and 1966. All the victims were under one year old.

The report has been submitted for publication in *Science* magazine.

Government Subverting Grape Boycott, Farm Union Charges

The U.S. Government is buying up California's grapes in large quantities and shipping them to Americans in Vietnam, according to farm labor union officials. Thus, it is "acting to break our boycott and crush the farm workers' movement," they said.

A study made by the United Farm Workers Organizing Committee (AFL-CIO) and released recently shows that since 1965, the year the union began its strike for the right to organize and bargain collectively, grape exports to South Vietnam have risen sharply.

During the 1966-67 Texas and 1968 Coachella Valley strikes, the U.S. government opened the California border to unlimited immigration from Mexico, thus undercutting efforts by the farm labor union to force growers to the bargaining table through traditional striking and picketline activity.

Norman Morrison Memorial Fund Established at Friends College

A memorial fund in memory of the late Norman R. Morrison has been established at Friends World College in Westbury, N.Y. An annual Norman R. Morrison Memorial Award will be made by the College to a student enrolled or accepted for enrollment, chosen for his or her commitment to peace and humanity.

Norman's widow, Ann Biedler Morrison, approved the establishment of the fund in these words:

"The spirit of Norman Morrison's life and sacrificial death shared much in common with the spirit of Friends World College. Obviously, he believed in the wisdom of risk-taking when the occasion demanded. Not one to choose well-worn paths, he often preferred the untried route. This is true of the adventurous and daring spirit moving the idea and reality of Friends World College."

Contributions to the fund, which should be so marked, may be sent to the college at Mitchell Gardens, Westbury, N.Y. 11590.

In 1965 Norman Morrison burned himself to death attempting to bring home to the American people the agony and suffering of the Vietnamese in the war.

Guaranteed Income to Replace Welfare, Civil Liberties Union Goal

After a year's extensive consideration, the New York Civil Liberties Union has endorsed a guaranteed annual income in lieu of the state's present welfare system. This income should be unconditionally guaranteed as a matter of right, and "high enough to satisfy basic human needs." The Union's study found "severe and pervasive deprivations of civil liberties" so inherent in the present system that litigation cannot effectively overcome them.

The Union stopped short of endorsing a particular form of guaranteed income; it will continue to examine the proposals that come along to determine whether they are both high enough and unconditionally guaranteed. These two elements are imperative to avoid the intrusions upon individual privacy and violations of due process that are built into the present system—a system which allows a woman one comb every two years and one haircut per year, and requires a caseworker to inspect the holes in a man's underwear if he asks for a new set.

The New York welfare system was found to be one that caused not only recipients but caseworkers "to lie and cheat or else abandon decency." (Some caseworkers would rather falsify records than ask to see a man's worn underwear.) The Union has gone on record as blaming neither welfare officials nor social workers but the system itself for its inherent abuses. "In no other area" has it found "such extensive regulation of the lives of persons who have not been incarcerated or conscripted."

QUOTE/UNQUOTE

"The cause of liberty becomes a mockery if the price to be paid is the wholesale destruction of those who are to enjoy liberty."

—GANDHI

"Private" Bullets Claim More Lives than War

A total of more than 750,000 American civilians are estimated to have died from gunshot wounds in the United States since the turn of the century. This number far exceeds the 530,000 Americans killed in battle in all wars in American history—from the revolutionary war through the Civil War, both World Wars, Korea and the current Vietnam conflict.

The killing still goes on at an estimated rate of two persons per hour throughout the United States.

The present situation results from the fact that there is no law against importing, selling or owning firearms in the United States.

Federal Employees Organize to Oppose Vietnam War

A new anti-war, civil rights organization called Federal Employees for a Democratic Society has grown out of a petition circulated among the employees objecting to the Vietnam war.

The society bases its opposition to the war on moral grounds and is encouraging employees to be "moral people" by speaking out against the conflict.

Federal workers are being told they have "both the legal and the moral right to oppose the war," if that is their feeling. The legal right, sponsors point out, was given them in the Code of Ethics for Government Service, which Congress approved in 1958. The code says, in part:

"Any person in government shall put loyalty to highest moral principles and to country above any person, party or government department."

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It is imperative that FOR members who move tell us promptly of their old and new address, and include zip code.

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