

to keep extremists in its own ranks in check; above that running a capitalism which is freindly to foreigners, and which is now discovering its own social components."

These are today's words of fascist Trilateral Commission member Theo Sommer, writing in his capacity of chief editor of the NATO-allied West German weekly Die Zeit.

Providing a hint of what Brazil also has to offer to the European working class, Sommer drools: The parliamentary opposition in Brazil "decided on the financial reform and on the tax reform. It created new institutions, like the regional development organs. It introduced the indexation of wages and salaries. It created new possibilities for capital investment."

Assuring his West German readership that even its military government has an acceptable face, Sommer trills, "The last election resulted in a measure of freedom such as Brazil has never known up until now."

FRENCH ZERO-GROWTH BLUEPRINT MAKES AUSTERITY LOOK GOOD

Nov. 28 (IPS)--The psychological warfare attack on French workers launched in the influential French daily Le Monde yesterday was intensified today in the second part of the paper's "Residential Imperative" series. After reading this terrifying blueprint for the future, workers will welcome mere austerity and slave labor as a blessing.

The first Le Monde article yesterday proposed that France be turned into a vast farm, while workers are relocated out of the dismantled urban centers into labor-intensive agricultural work camps. The author of the series, Michel Albert, is the director of the Common Market's "Structure and Economic Development" Commission. He is writing the series in cooperation with France's Hudson Institute-linked relocation agency, the DATAR.

Part two of this futurist horror story lays out how this pastoral paradise will be run. "One of the great national objectives for 1980," Albert announced, "should be the end of the exodus from rural areas." Albert hopefully assumes that government funds for the upkeep of urban areas will be slashed, that individual capitalists will be forced to toe the no-growth line, and that "mentalities [will] change" in the face of the resulting total decay of the cities. Provided that the above occur, Albert proposed the following "development plan...to encourage the acceptance of the new conditions of industrial development."

Education as a Weapon

New jobs will be created in small towns "or even villages." In this cozy atmosphere everyone will "know one's neighbor" (and help keep an eye on him). In addition, firms will be forced to "train their own labor force" to "prepare it for necessary changes" through a system of "permanent training." This permanent training will ensure that the workforce can be flexibly deployed to agricultural work camps in France, industrial projects in Brazil, or anywhere else. In addition, the continuous recycling of the workforce through such a system provides a perfect framework for intensively brainwashing these workers, already trapped in isolated work camps.

Albert also advocates that, in the world of the future, unions be coopted into some "collective job security" guarantees in order to help firms wring the last drop of profits out of their enslaved workers. In fact, Rockefeller's men on the scene are already pushing the gutless French trade unions into just such an agreement, which will not only force workers to relocate but make them codetermine where they will be sent.

Finally, Albert's ugly scenario underlines the necessity of drastic cuts in industrial energy consumption, leaving French workers to contemplate a future in which the new rural industries will use "all local energy, manpower, and raw materials potentials" along the lines of a "recycling of waste" program. Clearly, it is human resources that are to be used to the limit, even to the cannibalistic recycling of "wasted" workers.

FRENCH WORK-STUDY PROJECT BRINGS BRAINWASHING TO FACTORIES

Nov. 28 (IPS)--A low-intensity brainwashing operation is underway in the north of France. University professors and local capitalists are setting up this pilot project for industry under the guise of a university work-study program.

The operation was initiated by a team of self-styled radical professors from the university in Lille, a hot-bed of syndicalist "local control" organizing. The project also enjoys the active support of the Northern Employers' Association. Under this scheme, high school graduates will be sent into factories for several months' work at minimum pay, before they go on to a university curriculum. The first experiment is being carried out with a group of 20 students; 40 firms in the area have already offered to employ voluntary student slaves.

The French daily Le Monde reported Nov. 27 that the jobs assigned to this first group of students are selected on the basis of psychological profiles. Le Monde notes that an unskilled