

War in Vietnam not over — Kolko

Tet new year joyous despite fear of bombing

By RON ROSENTHAL

Despite the joyous mood at the weekend Tet New Year celebrations, the general consensus was expressed by Gabriel Kolko — "the war in Vietnam will only end when the Vietnamese have attained complete social justice, and independence from foreign domination."

Speaking Saturday Jan. 27 at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, Kolko said the peace treaty marks a drastic reliance of forces. The vicious American bombing has stopped. The 25,000 American troops are leaving. Thieu has been exposed as the only element protracting the war. If the treaty is acted upon to the letter, peace, democracy and independence will return to a people whose living memories are only of destruction.

However Kolko, a York professor, reminded the group that the U.S. retains the capacity for interfering directly in the internal affairs of South Vietnam including the capacity to re-employ massive airpower. Responsible American officials have publicly stated that it's "impossible and unallowable" to exclude a possible re-intervention.

Apart from the 54,000 American troops in Thailand and the 60,000 aboard the 7th fleet off the coast of Vietnam, there are 14,000 marines and airforce men in Guam with a fleet of B52's; in total, 252,000 soldiers. The American administration has failed to explain precisely what conditions will cause it to re-engage it's forces in the war. Kolko concluded that "as long as the Thieu regime has the capacity to define the fate of the agreements with Nixon's tacit agreement and money, we can anticipate the possibility of the worst."

In a speech last spring Thieu stated "we have to kill the communists to the last man before we can have peace." The day after the

treaty was initialled, Thieu warned the South Vietnamese populace under pain of possible execution not to make any statement or exhibit any sign of support for the PRG (Provisional Revolutionary Government) neutralist or any position opposed to the Saigon administration. The fact that American officials admitted that they knew about these measures months ahead of time clearly exposes their contempt for even the most specific terms of the agreement, said Kolko Article II of the Accord states; "Immediately after the ceasefire, the two south Vietnamese parties will: . . . Ensure the democratic liberties of the people: personal freedom, freedom of speech, freedom of the press, freedom of meeting, freedom of organization, freedom of political activities, freedom of belief, freedom of movement, freedom of residence, freedom of work, right to property ownership, and right to free enterprise."

In the workshop on civilian and military prisoners, chairperson Ann Buttrick claimed the Thieu regime was avoiding releasing prisoners by shuffling them from one jail to another. The torture and near starvation associated with Saigon jails has increased she said. Buttrick revealed that patients with malaria or dysentery were deliberately held in group jail cells to spread the diseases while in some jails fake breakouts had been used to liquidate prisoners. All these acts directly violate the treaty section on the return of captured military personnel and foreign civilians.

Repeatedly the question of the legitimacy of the Saigon regime was discussed. "If Thieu had 5 per cent of support in Vietnam, that would be extraordinary. His last base of support, the Catholics, have now broken completely with Thieu and are against him. He represents only



Hundreds of Children are imprisoned in South Vietnamese jails. These are shoeshine boys

caught sleeping on the streets and unable to pay a bribe of 25c.

chaos and the advancement of a few gangsters," claimed Kolko.

Although no resolutions came forward from the workshops, there was general support for demands to cut off all aid to Thieu; to withdraw all troops from S.E. Asia; and to implement all demands of the peace accord to the letter.

Capitalism or Marxism? both are ill-equipped

By ROBIN ROWLAND

Only a massive revolution in culture, politics, economics and industry will save mankind if the present trends of uncontrolled growth continue. That was the message. Aurelio Peccei and Alexander King, co-founders of the Club of Rome had for an audience at Seneca college Monday.

Peccei emphasized that no traditional system in use at present, whether capitalist or Marxist orientated, was equipped to deal with a momentum of growth and intertwined complexity that has no precedent in history.

The Club of Rome was founded in 1968 by Peccei, an industrial executive with Fiat and Olivetti. It's a non-partisan group of humanists, scientists, industrialists, educators and civil servants of all nations and all ideologies. The club's aim is to provide mankind with information on pending world holocausts and arouse policy makers to the need to work for long term goals. Last year the group released an MIT study it sponsored called Limits to Growth.

The study has served to produce guideposts for further work in the study of the technosphere and in the relationships of the biosphere. On-going studies include a technocratic look at the world's economic realms, a practical study of the problems of limits to growth in Japan, and a model of the globe from a Third World viewpoint produced by a group of left wing Latin American scholars and funded by the Canadian International Development Research Center.

Problems outlined by Peccei and King stated that:

- The doubling of the world's population will require a new infrastructure in the next ten to fifteen years, equal to the total infrastructure throughout history

since the stone age just to support it.

- The quarter of a million dollars used for the MIT study was equal to the money spent in forty seconds of the global military expenditure in one year.

- Man's culture which has allowed him to adapt may now be so complex that it is left out of control; is so complex that the cultural bases are no longer functioning.

- Multi-variant problems are so complex that no one government or government agency or ideology can deal with them.

- Bangla Desh, Indonesia and Mexico are growing so quickly that they could become flashpoints where the growth crisis can explode.

- The influx of \$200 billion dollars for oil into the Middle East during the next 10 years will have long term effects not only on those countries but on the world monetary system.

- Technical solutions cannot solve social problems but the social ideals if enough for everyone may be pushed aside by the simple need to survive upcoming crises.

When challenged that a Marxist system would be able to solve these problems, Peccei said that to date all socialist, state-capitalist and capitalist groups worked on short term, politically or nationally defined goals and were unable to face global realities. The eventual system that the world would have, if the growth crisis was solved, would be something entirely new.

To Waffler Bruce Kidd on questions of his connections with Olivetti and Fiat, Peccei replied that his position as an industrialist did not prevent his seeing contradictions inherent in the capitalist system which he characterized as decayed. He added that the club had no political aim but instead was acting as a catalyst to speed up the answer to man's predicament.

'Cops are tops' not real issue

By PETER MATILAINEN

A march sponsored by the Communist Party of Canada (Marxist-Leninist) which appeared at the Cops are Tops rally Sunday, was attacked by right-wing elements in the crowd while police looked on. Police finally moved in to arrest seven members of the CPC (M-L) for various offences including obstructing police and assault.

The marchers carried a banner saying "Cops are not the issue. The Monopoly Capitalist class and their Reactionary Violence is." and other signs linking oppression in society as the real crime.

A speaker for the CPC (M-L) also stated that police, as agents of the state, are being used against people through strikebreaking, aiding in deporting immigrants who are political refugees, and hassling poor people by constant surveillance.

Crime, he said, cannot be stopped by giving police more arms, re-instituting capital punishment, or tightening bail laws. "This can happen only by changing society."

The group attacking the marchers, members of the Western Guard, goaded the marchers, by calling them Americans and then telling them to go back to China. They refused to identify themselves and claimed they were nationalists wanting to show their support of the police. An unidentified officer speaking to one of them later on remarked "I understand that you're on our side."

The rally failed to draw the 50,000 expected by organizers, however youngsters enjoyed a concert by a rock band and small children out for a drive with their parents got autographs from policemen in dress uniform.

York Briefs

Grad residence rent goes up

A meeting of the grad residences tenants' association was told last Wednesday that a three per cent rent rise is needed to offset an anticipated \$69,000 deficit. Don Nesbitt, the residence manager, told the meeting the deficit will result mainly from increased mortgage costs associated with grad residence four. Ontario student housing, which built the other three residences, had depleted its funds when York decided to go ahead with the new residence, he explained. Instead, mortgage funds were obtained from Central Housing and Mortgage Corporation at less favourable rates along with secondary bank financing. Nesbitt also said the delay in occupancy of the new building due to strikes was a factor in the deficit. If approved by the board of governors, the rent hike would mean an increase from \$126 to \$130 for a one-bedroom furnished apartment. In response to a tenant complaint about dirt and wear in the lobby of grad residence three which houses daycare, Dorothy Ferris, the grad residence supervisor, said she is opposed to having daycare in the building. When the university agreed to put daycare in the grad residences she had already leased the space to tenants she said. However, the university paid for all alterations and pays housing services for the space daycare uses.

Broken glass unexplainable — Dunn

In the last two weeks, 11 incidents involving broken windows and glass panels in doors have been reported. The cost of replacing the broken glass was \$1,870, including labour. George Dunn head of security, was at a loss to explain why so much glass had been broken. He expressed the hope that the community would close doors and windows more carefully in the future and that the vandalism would stop.

Tour of China offered at Guelph

Guelph university is offering a special tour to China for 20 students. The tentative date of departure is April 24 and the cost per person will be roughly \$1,500 to \$2,000. Interested students may obtain application forms and further information from the CYSF office, rm. N111 Ross.

Bilingual admission test commissioned

Laval university has been commissioned by SACU (Service of Admission for Canadian Colleges and Universities) to construct two language admission tests, one in English and one in French. Preliminary studies are being carried out in both English and French universities to establish exact language requirements for first year students. Essays and term papers are being studied to determine those skills necessary to persons whose native tongue is not English or French. Any students willing to donate their first year papers as samples please take them to rm. 801, Ross. They will be xeroxed and returned.

Library cuts continued . . .

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the remaining staff would be to organize a staff union. When asked about the library's involuntary role as "hatchet man" for the provincial government in laying off staff, Newman said: "Let us use policies to be as humane as possible in terms of staffing — and pray a lot."

not coming back, according to friends on staff. When asked about this case, one senior library official confessed that he had not heard of it.

Another staff member stated that because of the continuing layoffs, the only way to preserve the jobs of