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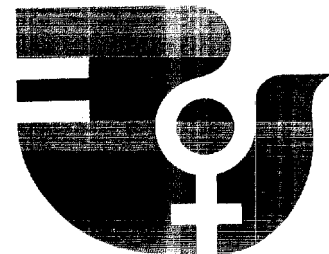
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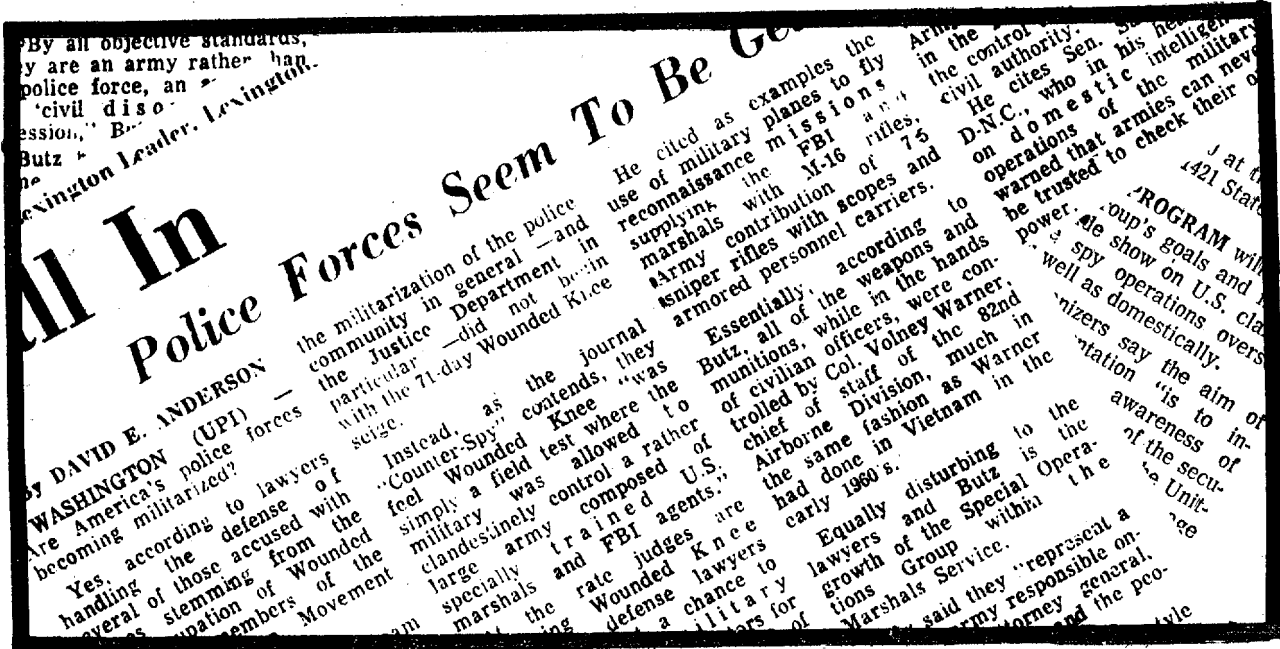
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# AIFLD



IN HONOR OF THE RETIREMENT of General Secretary Loyd Haskins of the International Federation of Petroleum and Chemical Workers and Wallace J. Legge, Inter-American Representative, Postal, Telegraph, and Telephone International, AIFLD presented each of them with an illustrated scroll. At left, Mr. Legge receives his scroll from AIFLD's Executive Director, William C. Doherty, Jr., as the AFL-CIO's Inter-American Representative Andrew C. McLellan, center, looks on. In the background, General Secretary Loyd Haskins of the International Federation of Petroleum and Chemical Workers is visible.

# Annual Report



This past year has witnessed great and sudden changes in world politics. Aside from the recent changes in the Federal government the most obvious effect of these changes has been spiraling inflation and now massive unemployment. Most Americans, according to the latest polls, fear this depression will be as terrible as the great one of the thirties. No one knows for sure what 1975 will bring for American pocketbooks. But the portents are for even more dramatic changes than in 1974.

In this atmosphere of economic depression and constant political change, the Fifth Estate has managed to achieve substantial results. There hasn't always been enough money—there still isn't—nor has public support for our effort been vigorous. But with hard work and a little faith in our knowledge and approach, we have managed to overcome the obstacles of 1974. In many ways the Fifth Estate has grown in numbers and influence; it has monitored the most dangerous trends in the security community; it has provided the public with information on these trends and has joined with them to oppose abuse of power in government. With your support, 1975 can be as equally effective and gratifying.

## GROWTH

Despite severe funding limitations, members of the Fifth Estate toured the nation this fall, covering over 25 cities coast-to-coast. The Fifth Estate multi-media presentation was followed by workshops in many cities for those interested in initiating local projects. The Fifth Estate also sought to establish liaison with organizations and individuals in other localities whose work is related to the focus of the Fifth Estate. Among the many conferences attended by the Fifth Estate were: the National Committee Against Repressive Legislation (NCARL) conference in the spring; the National Lawyer's Guild Conference (with whom we work closely); the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP); and the American Industrial Security Association (AISA). The Fifth Estate also participated in a conference on covert action sponsored by the Center for National Security Studies.

## RESEARCH and EDUCATION

Throughout 1974, the Fifth Estate attempted to collect data in as many areas as was possible, concentrating on those areas of vital concern. Most of this work was performed by two of the autonomous, independent and non-profit groups within the Fifth Estate; the Intelligence Documentation Center, and Fifth Estate Security Education. Both are located in the nation's capital. Other research was performed by our embryonic affiliates around the country; a Fifth Estate field project at Wounded Knee, and independent researchers cooperating with the Fifth Estate.

Research has concentrated on the following issues:

The *Terrorist Information Project (TIP)* was launched with the rise of the SLA. Working with reporters and other investigators, our investigation revealed that SLA member Donald DeFreeze, aka Cinque, had, in the past, been a police informant and agent provocateur. This phenomenon raised the spectre of government agencies using terrorism as a catch-all for repressive domestic operations. Additionally, we examined the activities of two less

# Mailer and the Fifth Estate

By Bethlyn Bates

For months Norman Mailer's Fifth Estate was nothing more than a Norman Mailer lecture tour.

But then Mailer headed out CARIC (the Committee for Action/Research in the Intelligence Community) and joined with Norman Mailer, that seeks to counteract the massive security apparatus reported to be watching over American cities in the nation selected as organizing targets by a group sponsored by a novelist.

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well-known groups - the National Caucus of Labor Committees (NCLC), which claims to be a left wing group; and IDENTITY, a paramilitary right wing group using a church as a cover. Although lacking funds, TIP will continue to receive the attention of the Fifth Estate, due to the increased focus of security groups on countering terrorism.

The Fifth Estate also undertook a painstaking analysis of the FBI COINTELPRO memos released through the Freedom of Information Act, and we are working with several attempts to discover how widespread COINTELPRO operations were and if they are still continuing. COINTELPRO was the FBI plan to disrupt and neutralize various political groups. COINTELPRO authorized illegal actions.

We initiated a major research effort into the relationships of international labor organizations with the CIA. The Fifth Estate also uncovered an intelligence network operating in the United States run by the Saigon government, gathering information on both Americans and Vietnamese citizens in this country opposed to this obviously corrupt dictatorship.

We explored the role of the Defense Intelligence Agency in the coup which overthrew Salvadore Allende in Chile. Memos obtained by the Fifth Estate revealed that local utilities were sponsoring intelligence gathering operations aimed at loes of nuclear power plant construction.

We also exposed a confidential study prepared for LEAA on methods of stopping the flow of illegal aliens into the United States, suggesting a variety of Orwellian methods and blaming aliens for virtually all of the social ills of the United States.

We also explored the incidents of cooperation between the CIA and Soviet KGB which have come to our attention. The Kent (Ohio) Committee for a Fifth Estate uncovered the existence of a proto-type "Master Plan" for political surveillance of campus groups and activists in Ohio.

And our field project, undertaken in conjunction with the Wounded Knee Legal Offense/Defense Committee, demonstrated the continuing trend towards militarization of domestic law enforcement agencies. Our research showed that the 71 day standoff between Indians and the Justice Department in May, 1973, was, in fact, a classical military cordon operation, patterned after similar missions in Indochina, and in violation of the posse commitatus act of 1887. Recently, a high level FBI official commented that the documents the Fifth Estate helped to procure at the trials were more important than the Pentagon Papers.

In disseminating our research and providing educational materials for the public, the Fifth Estate worked with a wide range of the Fourth Estate (media). We were either interviewed on, helped produce, or otherwise aided news stories on over 25 radio stations; 10 local television stations, all the national networks (as well as the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, the British Broadcasting Corporation, and the Broadcasting Corporation of Finland); numerous daily newspapers throughout the country and abroad; and throughout the alternative media.

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**Fifth Estate Out to Get Big Brother**  
 By WENDELL POTTER  
 Press-Scholar Staff Writer

The Fifth Estate is out to get Big Brother — not necessarily to destroy him, but to keep an eye on him. This is essentially what Tim Butz, a coordinator for the Organizing Committee for a Fifth Estate, will tell at the Memphis audience tonight for a Community Bookshop and Center for Dialogue at 1907 Madison. Butz is touring the country to promote the Fifth Estate, an organization formed early this year "to gather information and do research on the intelligence community" in the United States.

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**We Need a Fifth Estate**  
 There is no greater threat to our democracy than the increasing power of America's intelligence agencies, from the CIA to the White House Plumbers. It is for this reason that we heartily applaud the recent announcement that an independent organization has now been established to monitor the activities of the intelligence community and to resist what its spokesmen call "secret government." Last week the Organizing Committee for a Fifth Estate, based in Washington, D. C., has been set up to investigate the United States Intelligence and "technofascism." The Organizing Committee for a Fifth Estate announced its inception as the product of a merger between the Organizing Committee for Action/Resistance, a little more than a year ago, and the Washington Post-CARIC also known as the counter-spy endeavor launched by Norman Mailer at his 50th birthday party in February of 1973 with a tiny staff but managed in the last year to uncover the connections between the George Washington Post-CARIC and President Nixon's spy network, reported by President Nixon in the Washington Post.

The Fifth Estate, he says, is a kind of "counter-spying" group that maintains records on the established intelligence agencies and hopes to disseminate information to use by the public on how the science of intelligence works.

Also named are Robert Roberts, director of studies, and Dr. Robert Roberts, secretary of the National Security Council. The Fifth Estate is out to get Big Brother — not necessarily to destroy him, but to keep an eye on him. This is essentially what Tim Butz, a coordinator for the Organizing Committee for a Fifth Estate, will tell at the Memphis audience tonight for a Community Bookshop and Center for Dialogue at 1907 Madison. Butz is touring the country to promote the Fifth Estate, an organization formed early this year "to gather information and do research on the intelligence community" in the United States.

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**PROSPECTUS FOR 1975**

During 1975, the Fifth Estate hopes to initiate and work with already existing groups, to continue to build a nationwide network of citizen's research and educational groups on questions of security. Contacts and key organizers for such groups already exist in over 30 cities and discussions have been initiated towards establishment of affiliates under the Fifth Estate umbrella in over a dozen cities. Essential to this organizing manual, *Towards a Fifth Estate*, in April of this year.

The two most organized and functioning groups in the Fifth Estate are located in Washington. Hopefully, with adequate funding both will continue to serve the public and the growing Fifth Estate network. The Intelligence Documentation Center (IDC) is a library of information on security and the abuses of power within this community. Fifth Estate Security Education conducts research in selected areas and especially concentrates on educational activities. This publication is printed, usually at a loss, by the Fifth Estate Security Education. We hope to be able to begin a student intern program at the IDC later this year. Several work-study programs at universities and colleges have expressed a willingness to work with us on this project.

At the present time, there are two research and educational projects being conducted by Fifth Estate Security Education. The Labor Education Project hopes to conduct extensive research into the ways in which labor organizations have been targeted by various intelligence agencies. The project will concentrate on providing information to rank-and-file workers on CIA-labor operations. For more information contact: Winslow Peck.

During 1975, we hope to begin a pilot training program to train para-legal workers in basic investigative techniques. This program grows out of our experiences working with the Wounded Knee trials. For more information contact: Margaret Van Houten.

Several of our affiliates are conducting research on their campus's involvement with various security forces, on the action of narcotics agents in their areas, and their local police forces. More information on these projects will appear in *Counter-Spy* throughout the coming year.

The major problem for the Fifth Estate is, as we have said, financial. We have an adequate analysis of the ways and means power is abused in the security community. We have an enormous potential human force. And we have a successful program. But we just do not have enough money.

Some of our financing has been provided by a few foundations and concerned individuals, such as Norman Mailer. We have also raised funds through several events, and subscriptions for *Counter-Spy* are increasing. But this is just not enough.

Therefore we wish to encourage all citizens concerned with the problems we raise to investigate us and our program, and if you then believe that we are providing a vital service to you and your neighbors, please pledge a regular donation for a specific area of Fifth Estate work, on either the national or local level. All contributions to Fifth Estate Security Education or the Intelligence Documentation Center are TAX DEDUCTABLE (write for more information).

With your participation in the Fifth Estate, 1975 can prove to be even more successful than 1974.

# In Last Issue

Response to each issue of *Counter-Spy* continues to grow, and we at the Fifth Estate find that fact gratifying. Public criticism, corrections and ideas are invaluable to help us place the information we uncover in a proper perspective. As we have said before on this page, the Fifth Estate believes that criticism is a necessary component for our continued political growth. So we'd like to thank all of the people who took the time to let their feeling be known, and encourage those who have remained silent to contribute.

The lead article in the last issue of *Counter-Spy*, giving an overview of CIA labor operations, has met with worldwide response. Unions in the United States and overseas have kept us busy responding to requests for copies of that issue. The political issue of CIA involvement with labor organizations has grown in importance in recent months as the result of ever increasing contradictions within the AFL-CIO and the CIA relationship, and conscientious organizing efforts on the part of rank-and-file trade unionists. It is our hope that the Fifth Estate will be able to continue to have an important role in educating people to this issue during the coming year. As the content of this issue shows, we are continuing our investigations into the relationships between the Agency and labor.

Aside from the generally positive feedback, and a few minor corrections, the only other significant response to our last issue came when a retired CIA official denounced the Fifth Estate during a forum at a nearby university. We take pleasure in agreeing with his proclamation that we have no respect for that Agency's cloak of secrecy. What secrecy there is in government should be decided by all Americans, not just the "old boys".

Response to other articles in the last issue has been significant also. The article on the counter-insurgency actions of the Army and the Justice Department during the siege at Wounded Knee, South Dakota, has met with unanimous praise. A number of publications have reprinted the article, and the Fifth Estate has been called upon to give technical advice for a Hollywood production of the occupation of Wounded Knee.

We were criticized that our article on agents and informants was too superficial. We agree, and would like to explain our intentions. First, the article was intended to serve as an introductory vehicle, one that would stimulate further observations in this area. And secondly, a bibliography intended for inclusion with the article was left out at the last minute due to space considerations. This detracted considerably from the introductory aspects of the article. We apologize to any readers that we may have inconvenienced. In the future, we intend to publish further discourses on this subject.

In closing, we would once again encourage our readers to contribute advice, criticisms, ideas, and articles to *Counter-Spy*. 1975 promises to be an exciting year for the Fifth Estate, and we hope you will join us in our efforts.

*Counter-Spy* is a journal of research, analysis, and opinion on the abuses of power by those in our nation's security forces. The journal is educational and, we hope, provides information and analysis otherwise unavailable to American citizens.

*Counter-Spy* is produced by the Fifth Estate Security Education, an autonomous research and educational group within the umbrella of the Fifth Estate. The Fifth Estate is an attempt by researchers, former government employees, educators, and activists to develop an alternative intelligence community serving the needs of the American public. With the Fifth Estate active in many communities across the country, we believe that abuses of power can be

demonstrated to the public and that the public can take action to terminate them and prevent their reoccurrence.

*Counter-Spy*, and the Fifth Estate believe that abuses of power occur in three areas. We will expose violations of civil, democratic and humane rights. We will expose corruption and criminality. And we will expose conscious efforts to create some new form of totalitarianism - what we call technofascism - in America. If the military, police or intelligence services are abusing their power in any of these ways, the Fifth Estate will be watching them.

We encourage all citizens to become involved in monitoring their local and national security forces.



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