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## ATTACK ON THE NATIONAL GUARD

Alan Stang proves that the National Guard at Kent State was under attack by a sniper when indicted guardsmen fired. Also in this issue we feature such important matters as:

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#### Dear Reader:

Two-thirds of the first wave of the invading force was shot down in the French surf as 2,500 fell at Omaha Beach thirty years ago on D-Day, June 6, 1944. An army of American Reservists and National Guardsmen and draftees, led by such brilliant field commanders as General George S. Patton, was soon fighting its way toward Paris and Berlin to free Europe from the tyranny of Hitler's National Socialism.

The little French girl in Daniel Michael Canavan's painting on our cover reminds us of this thirtieth anniversary of D-Day and of the citizen soldiers who left their jobs and families and homes to fight and sometimes die for their country. It is especially important that we be reminded now, at a time when the citizen soldier is once again under attack.

Beginning on the next page, Alan Stang describes the current Communist assault on our National Guard, an effort to destroy the very concept of the citizen soldier by discrediting the reputation and morale of American militia forces whose proud history is older than the United States itself. The Comrades know very well, as they found out in Korea and Vietnam, that in time of national emergency these men are ready to serve ably and honorably at the farthest horizons of the world. But the chief reason for the present Communist campaign to smear and destroy the National Guard is that it is the only military unit subject to the call of a governor in the event of local emergency or disaster. It is a state army, a local force, a people's militia.

The present Communist attacks on individual members of the Ohio National Guard who did their duty at Kent State could legally jeopardize every member of every Guard unit in the country. This would serve Communist revolutionary purposes by so weakening the National Guard as to force a call-up of federal troops — who are not subject to local control, local concerns, and local review — to meet whatever civil emergencies the Comrades might provoke. As our Founding Fathers knew, the threat of tyranny is best restrained by meeting problems at the local level with local authority. The National Guard is an important part of that local authority. It must be defended.

Sincerely,

Scott Stanley Jr.

# KENT STATE

## Proof To Save The Guardsmen

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EXPERIENCE shows us that there are few things more inspiring in maintenance of a conflict than a martyr. The memory of the fallen hero galvanizes those who remain. His martyrdom makes further sacrificial accomplishments possible. So it was, for instance, in the development of Christianity. The martyrs inspired believers to spread the faith. And during World War II, Americans were motivated by the memory of our servicemen at Pearl Harbor. There are endless such examples, of course, and they all share the fact that the victims were martyred by their enemies in the conflict.

The Christian martyrs were murdered by men who were anti-Christ. Our servicemen at Pearl Harbor were killed in an act of war by the Japanese. But, in recent years, martyrdom has been refined into an exact science. Today the phony "revolution" which is trying to destroy America deliberately arranges for its own martyrs by conning victims into serving as cannon fodder.

So it was in the "Civil Rights" demon-

strations, in which many who had never heard of Communism were injured. So it was in the assassination of Martin Luther King. So it was in Chicago at the 1968 Democrat National Convention, where students got their skulls fractured when their leaders attacked the police. And on May 4, 1970, on the campus at Kent State University, in Ohio, the revolution finally killed four students. The anti-American Conspiracy had the martyrs it needed. The killings at Kent State have been used to radicalize students across America — and around the world. And recently, after four years, a federal grand jury indicted eight members of the Ohio National Guard, which was also victimized at Kent State. Their conviction would mean another disaster for America.

### The Background

The way the national press tells it, Kent State University was an idyllic Shangri-la of contemplation until the moment of the shooting. The New York Times of the following day explained that "until recently the school's most serious demonstration was a 1958 panty raid on two women's dormitories." But the fact is that the killings on the campus were the predictable result of almost two years of Communist agitation by such terrorist gangs as Students for a Democratic Society.

For instance, in the fall of 1968, Kent State was treated to two appearances by Mark Rudd, the S.D.S. leader who had led the seizure of campus buildings earlier that year at Columbia University in New York. Another frequent visitor was Bernardine Dohrn, an S.D.S. official who

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