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The Names Mark Lane Left Out...

JFK KILLERS APPREHENDED!

Twelve More Arrests of Long-time Conspirators Imminent

From combined sources

Three rightwing Cubans named in the October, 1977 YIPster Times as principals in a CIA-inspired "Murder, Inc." responsible for dozens of assassinations, including JFK in Nov. '63, are now in custody in connection with another case mentioned in the story: the car-bombing murder of former Chilean Foreign Minister Orlando Letelier and his assistant, Ronnie Moffit.

Ignacio and Guellermo Novo are currently being held at the Manhattan Federal House of Detention, indicted for the Letelier hit on the testimony of Michael Vernon Townley, an American "soldier of fortune" who coordinated the whole thing between the American conspirators and the Chilean Junta.

That brings to three the members of the squad that killed JFK who are now in custody. The Novos are New Jersey-area lieutenants of Orlando Bosch, currently imprisoned in Venezuela for bombing a Cubana Airlines jet in late '75, killing 73. Bosch, undeterred, plotted the Letelier hit from jail.

About a dozen more arrests are termed "imminent" by sources close to Carter's Justice Dept., which has evidently chosen to prosecute only the most recent crimes of the conspirators—jailing them one by one—instead of the harder-to-prove, politically-explosive killings of Kennedy and King.

But it is unlikely that investigators of the House

Assassinations Committee, with their mandate to expose the Greatest Hits of the 60's, will be as timid as the Administration, which moved only after rightwing Cubans detonated bombs near the White House to intimidate Carter against relations with Castro.

Sources close to the House Investigation promise that scheduled televised hearings will blow the lid off the conspirators' far-reaching links into the CIA, FBI, organized crime, and the highest corporations.

Sources closest to it confirm that the House Investigation has been "turned around" by the steady accretion of evidence, such as testimony by Marita Lorentz naming E. Howard Hunt, Frank Sturgis, Orlando Bosch, Lee Harvey Oswald, the Novo Brothers, Gerry Patrick Hemming, and Pedro Diaz Lanz as the squad who killed JFK.

Marita Lorentz, as Fidel's ex-mistress and then a key operative in Frank Sturgis' plots to ice Castro, was in a position to know.

Recently declassified Secret Service documents corroborate her testimony, indicating Bosch was

under 24-hour surveillance when Kennedy came to Miami on Nov. 18th '63 and that Bosch was involved in an incident in Chicago where an informant for the Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms Bureau was told just before the assassination—"Our new backers are Jewish gangsters—as soon as we assassinate Kennedy we invade Cuba."

Protected today from extradition to Cuba or the US by powerful connections in Venezuela's secret police, Bosch has in effect turned his jail into a fortress, from which he soon renewed his grand offensive, hi-lited by the La Guardia bombing (26 dead) in December of '75.

Gaining confidence, Bosch masterminded the Letelier hit to heal a rift that had developed between the fascist junta of Chile and the Cuban exile community of the United States. This rift started when Bosch convinced the Junta that he needed a false passport to go to Costa Rica to terminate one of Letelier's relatives. Actually Bosch was planning to snuff Henry Kissinger, who was to visit Costa Rica shortly after Bosch arrived. But Frank Sturgis, who had worked on the Kennedy hit alongside Bosch, informed on Bosch, and the CIA had him arrested.

Bosch and the Novos were head of a group called Cuban Power. Interestingly enough, the Miami Organized Crime Bureau pig, Danny Benitez, who picked up one of the Novos this time, is a close personal friend of Frank Sturgis. The Novos trusted Frank's people also, because they worked together on the Kennedy hit.

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ASSASSIN NATION



Ignacio Novo



Guillermo Novo



Lee Harvey Oswald



Orlando Bosch

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In 1967 the FBI wired informer Ricardo 'the monkey' Morales and had him question Bosch about a man named Hunt, who "represented the Republican Party" and supplied Bosch's group with "\$17,000 to place bombs." This was Sturgis' CIA case officer, Howard Hunt. "The Monkey" went on to become head of the Venezuelan anti-communist police and played a part in busting Bosch for the Cubana airlines bombing, before furnishing info for the extradition of Mike Townley. Ex-DINA agent Townley was being transported by the FBI back to Washington, D.C. when, on April 6, 1978, the Monkey was busted by Miami Police for possession of several tons of marijuana.

Some of Bosch's people in the Miami DEA—grateful for the *carte blanche* they got to search luggage after the La Guardia bombing—snatched out the Monkey's pot operation, which was making him a millionaire.

Meanwhile, in a dramatic courtroom confrontation in Miami, Watergater E. Howard Hunt trembled visibly and turned white as slashing cross examination by independent researcher A.J. Weberman cut Hunt's alibi as to his whereabouts Nov 22, 1963 to ribbons.

Hunt's distress was even clearer as he charged Weberman with "orchestrating" the entire House Assassination Investigation, and meeting with a key investigator from the Senate Intelligence Committee once a week for the past year.

But his distress was actually more with evidence the investigators now have about his connections to the conspirators, including Lee Harvey Oswald, whom Marita places in one of the Dallas-bound cars with Frank Sturgis, Bosch, the Novos, Hemming, etc. the key week-end prior to the assassination.

Oswald's whereabouts that weekend, according to the Warren Commission Report, are a mystery. Marita says Oswald was in Miami that weekend.

Why Miami? Kennedy was due in Miami on Monday, November 18th, 1963. Oswald was to be the patsy in Miami but the plan fell through.

Gerry Patrick Hemming hinted of this when he told Weberman that with Bay of Pigs vets in Interpen (Sturgis' group), he was asked to eyeball the Miami Airport "for Castro double-agents" Nov. 18th—clearly an attempt to breath life into his alibi; since Secret Service records indicate that Manual Artime's Brigade 2506 (Hunt's people) drew that assignment. Instead, Hemming had already left in one of the two cars for Dallas.

Bernardo Torres was one of these men. Torres infiltrated Garrison's investigation and has been *secretly indicted for his part in the Letelier hit*, according to a source knowledgeable regarding Cuban exile affairs. Torres once worked for SIONICS, Mitchell Stewart Livingston Werbell's ar-

about this document, Lanz told him that he didn't remember any trip or any appointment with Immigration and Naturalization.

Lanz refused to testify before the "Weberman Commission"—A.J.'s inquiry in the Courts of Miami into the Kennedy assassination and Howard Hunt's connection to it. Lanz also refused to testify before the House Committee on Assassinations.

For this he will probably be called in front of televised sessions of the House Assassinations Committee this fall, in Washington, D.C. Lanz is convinced the Communists are behind Weberman and the House of Representatives. In fact, Lanz is convinced the Communists are behind just about everything he doesn't like.

Hunt had changed his alibi as to his whereabouts on Nov. 22, 1963.

ments firm [for Werbell and the Larry Flynt Hit—see *YT*, Apr/May '78 issue.]

Oswald's notebook contained the name "Lee Odum" who hired personell at Love Field Airport, in Dallas. Ozzie turned down a job as baggage handler there, which paid \$2.50 an hour in favor of the Depository job which only paid \$1.00. Was Oswald going to be patsied when Kennedy was assassinated at Love Field on Nov. 22, '63—until the plan was abandoned in favor of a hit near the Depository because Secret Service attention was focused on airports?

The name of Pedro Diaz Lanz was found at the time of the arrest in one of the Novo's addressbooks. Recently declassified Secret Service Documents reveal that the SS was so apprehensive about Lanz attacking Kennedy during his visit to Miami (November 18th, 1963) that they called him on Friday, Nov. 15th, and told he had an appointment with Immigration and Naturalization on Monday November 18th, 1963. Lanz told the SS that he was going on a trip, and couldn't make it to the office on that date.

When in March of 1978 Miami Newsman Vic Walters asked Lanz

Lanz is one of the people Marita revealed was in the Car with Oswald.

Gerry Patrick Hemming, 6' 8" soldier-of-fortune who took up at least two seats in the car going to Dallas, refused to testify at a "Weberman Commission" hearing either. When A.J. called all the phone numbers he had for Hemming, and left messages to remind him he was under federal subpoena, Hemming sent around "Val Matrix," one of his hitmen, to stake out A.J.'s lawyer's office. There Val drove up and said, "Hey, AJ. I got a 'job' over at the Roney Plaza Hotel"—where A.J. was staying.

But Hemming, who never testified, gave a revealing indication of how tight he is with the other conspirators and E. Howard Hunt, who did testify. For Hunt changed his alibi as to his alleged presence in Washington, DC, Nov. 22, 1963, on the basis of a *misimpression given to Hemming*, that Weberman was about to produce Mr. Wah Ling, the only corroborating witness Hunt ever cited who was not a close friend or his immediate family. Since first being questioned about the JFK assassination by the Ervin Committee in 1973, Hunt has maintained

he had an ulcer attack in the morning, went out to buy *Chinese groceries* with his wife around noon, then drove to the Washington Friends School and

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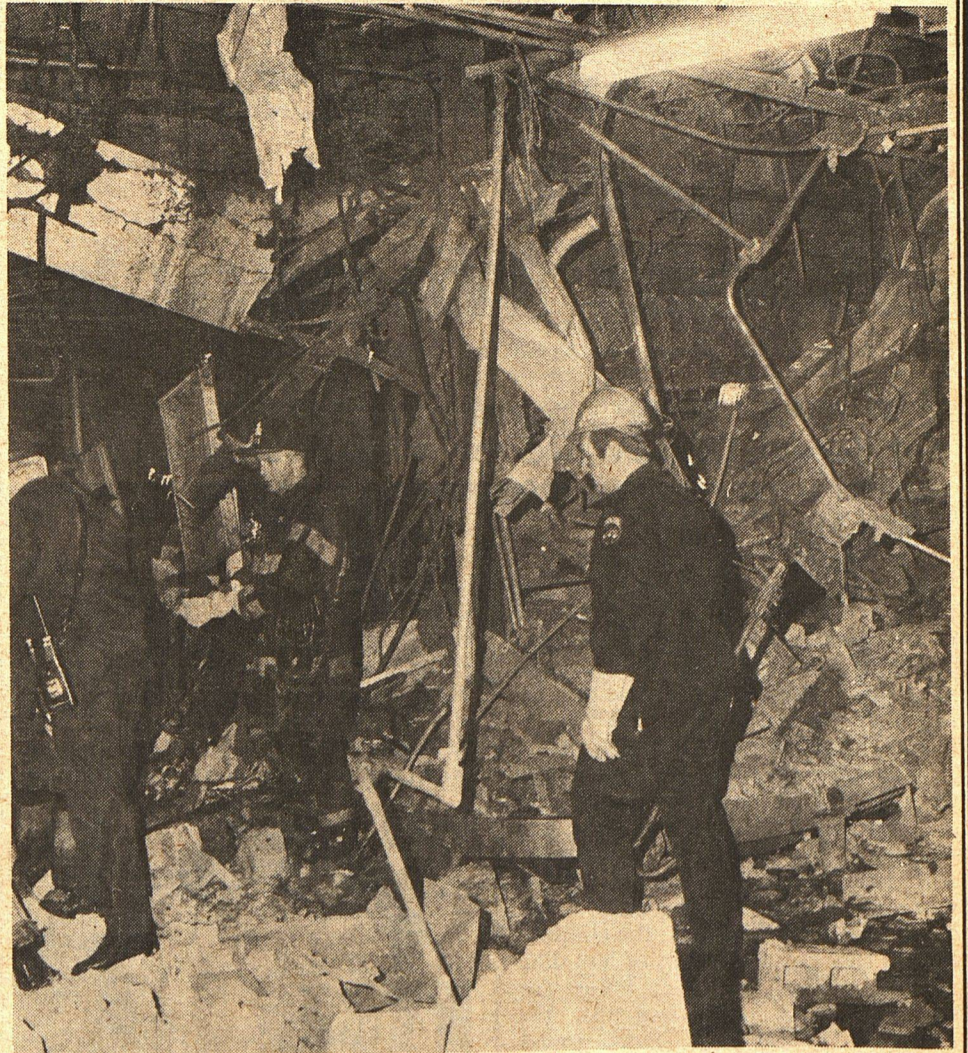
E. Howard Hunt



Gerry Patrick Hemming



Frank "Fiorini" Sturgis



After 26,000 man-hours' investigation, the NYPD has decided "Puerto Ricans didn't do the La Guardia bombing." Meanwhile, Richardo Morales helped convict Orlando Ortero—a henchman of the New Jersey Novo bros. & Bosch—of detonating an identical device in the Miami Airport 3 days later.

picked up their children.

Hunt: I have been subpoenaed by the House Committee on Assassinations, certain of whose personnel Mr. Weberman, I believe, at one time (if not today) maintained a very intimate linkage.

This has caused me the inconvenience, the embarrassment of being subjected to a scrutiny; furthermore, the expense of retaining counsel for that appearance. [At this point Mr. Weberman whispered some remarks

Q. What did you purchase that day?
A: I don't know. My wife made the purchases. She went into the grocery store. I stayed in the car with the children.
Q. If I told you that there is a Wah Ling's Grocery, or was a Wah Ling's Grocery in Washington at the time you were talking about, would that surprise you?
A: I would say simply that it was one of probably several that my wife visited that day.
Q. Do you remember the testimony

Mr. Hunt testified any differently than from what you have just said?
Q. (by Mr. Friedman) Within the context of this particular report, which I will present to you while we make copies of it. It indicates that the grocery store came before picking up the children.
A: Then I would say that I stayed in the car with the dog, rather than with the children.
Q. This would be different from what you just testified to earlier?
A: Well, we are talking about recollection of a good many years ago; yes.
Q. So this refreshes your recollection?
A: Yes, as to what I testified to earlier. This is not testified, and it is not a sworn statement in any case.
Q. (by Mr. Friedman) We have located the original Wah Ling of Wah Ling's Grocery. We are wondering, if we discussed with him this matter, if his memory of November 22nd—all of America seems to remember that date—do you believe that he will remember you from that date?
Mr. Rubin: Just a minute! That is an improper question, Mark. You are asking for speculation.
Mr. Friedman: The alibi—
Mr. Rubin: You are asking him what is in Wah Ling's mind. Do whatever you have to do, but don't ask him if he thinks someone will remember something.

wife visited that day," instead of that "we" visited, or that "I" visited.
 Hunt's hand was shaking as he toked on his pipe during this deposition. Michael Canfield, A.J.'s co-author on the book *CIA—Coup-d'etat In America*, described him as a "cornered rat, ready to strike out at any time."
 Actually, he stalling for time, hoping for some sort of break. The House Assassination Committee subpoenaed him several months ago. His attorney, Elice Rubin, asked for a continuance. He has yet to testify.
 When he does, he'll tell them a different story than he told the Rockefeller, Church and Ervin Committees. But he'd better not tell too many more versions—thanks to his having made the fatal mistake of suing A.J. for seven and a half million dollars for *Coup d'etat In America!*
 The "secret of the Bay of Pigs" won't forever keep away indictments for *perjury*. That would be the kind of half-measure Carter's Justice prefers.
 Consider another one of Orlando Bosch's connections, Orlando Ortero, just convicted after his fingerprint was found on a fragment of the footlocker wherein a bomb was planted at the Miami Airport 3 days before the La Guardia blast—a bomb identical to the La Guardia one except Ortero used 4, not 8, sticks of dynamite, and set it off at 3:00 AM, not 6:30 PM in the

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to Mr. Friedman.]
Q. Did you call Wah Ling's Grocery on the morning of November 22nd, 1963?
A (With much nervousness) : No.
Q. Where is Wah Ling's located in Washington, D.C.?
A: I don't think that the grocery existed or ever existed. In fact, in the testimony that I gave to the Church Committee, if you recall I said to the best of my recollection the name of the grocery store was Wah Ling (phonetic.)

Having revisited the site—in fact, by chance having dinner in Chinatown fairly recently—I determined the name of the grocery store was probably Tuck Cheong, T-u-c-k C-h-e-o-n-g.
Q. So, you are saying now that your alibi for the day of the assassination, Wah Ling's Grocery, is now changed to a different grocery store?
A: Well, I am saying now that attempting to recollect a couple of years ago, the name of the Chinese grocery store, one of several on 8th Street, that my wife visited on that afternoon, certainly is subject to re-examination and refreshment, which I have done.
Q. Now that you have refreshed your memory, where is this Tai Ching, or whatever the name is—where is this place?
A: No, the name is Tuck Cheong.
Q. 'Tuck Cheong'; where is it?
A: It is on H Street between 6th and 7th Northwest, in Washington.

you gave to the FBI as to when you picked up your children that day?
A: No, I have never seen the FBI memorandum.
Mr. Weberman: Here it is.
Mr Rubin: All right...go ahead and read it.
Mr. Friedman: "On 10/17/74 E. Howard Hunt advised that he recalls hearing about the assassination over his car radio immediately after leaving a Chinese grocery store in the area of 9th and H Street N.W., Washington,

Marita Lorenz places Oswald, Sturgis, Bosch, Hemming and the Novo brothers in Dallas-bound cars the weekend prior to the JFK assassination.

D.C., on the 22nd of November, 1963. He was with his wife, Dorothy, who is now deceased. Before returning home, they picked up their daughter Kevin. at Sidwell Friends School, Wisconsin Avenue, N.W., Washington D.C. He could recall no contact on that date with anyone other than possibly a former neighbor. He advised that his personal records...were destroyed several years ago." [Thereupon, the document was marked *Defendant's Weberman's Exhibit No. 1.*]
Mr. Rubin: All right. Now, how has

There was no Chinese grocery store anywhere in Washington's Chinatown in 1963 named Tuck Cheong. Hunt invented the name out of whole cloth when he received false information that A.J. had located Mr. Wah Ling. Since Hunt, the last conspirator into Dallas, flew in that morning and back that night "with surgical efficiency" (as he was fond of saying), his only problem is with his whereabouts Nov. 22nd. Notice how Hunt says, "the name of the Chinese grocery store, one of several on 8th Street, that my

middle of rush-hour.
 The Carter administration is down on Castro these days, and probably not anxious to stir up trouble for his opponents in this country.
 Still, the NYPD has announced that after 26,000 man-hours, they're convinced La Guardia was not the work of Puerto Ricans, and that they're "looking in a totally different direction". Footlockers at La Guardia are, after all, only 2½ hrs. direct from Miami.

Post Staffers Scream Bloody Murdoch

by Steve Wishnia

NEW YORK—Tension is increasing at the New York *Post*, where the Newspaper Guild and nine other unions are deadlocked with publisher Rupert Murdoch in negotiations on contracts that expired March 30th.

Early in May, several dozen staffers resigned after Murdoch added an extra six week's pay to his original offer of full severance and vacation pay plus eligibility for unemployment checks as an incentive for certain people to quit. Many of them volunteered for "alumni picket line" duty if there is a strike.

In a move the straight press would call "urging sacrifices necessary for the survival of the paper" and the straight leftist press would describe, with true clichés, "an attack on the working class," Murdoch had demanded cuts in salaries, the elimination of sick pay for illness of less than a week, and of the 7½% bonus for working nights and weekends, the removal of 100 jobs from union jurisdiction, and—in what the Guild initially called "the Auschwitz clause"—the right to fire anybody he wanted to get rid of. 148 of the paper's 450 editorial and commercial employees, including nearly half of the *Post's* 48 reporters, were placed on the "hit list" of people "incompatible with the new management's publishing concept," and offered the incentives to leave.

Most workers refused the original offer, but resignations spread beyond the list when the payoff was raised, and when they found out that the management could legally lay off anyone who had worked there less than two years. The "sweetened" offer worked out to three months' pay for someone who had been there a year.

Protesting Murdoch's using "union-busting tactics not seen since the Great Depression and not imagined by J.P. Stevens," 1000 members of various local unions demonstrated outside the *Post's* lower Manhattan building in early April after management had used scabs to print two not-for-sale editions. A union leaflet attacked demands for contract "givebacks" as being attempts to destroy what had been won by "the sweat and reason of decades of unionism."

The situation is less intense at the city's two larger dailies, the *Times*, and the *Daily News*, where management has asked for similar pay and benefit reductions, but hasn't tried mass layoffs.

Since Murdoch spent \$30 million to add the *Post* to his publishing empire in December of '76, his rule has been plagued by problems. Management claims that the paper, which last broke even in 1975 and lost \$500,000 in 1976, lost nearly \$10 million last year, a figure which workers and union officials have reasons to believe is inflated. Much of the staff has been chronically disgusted with his publishing policy too: the most common phrase used is "turning the paper into a rag."

The Imperial Kangaroo is a very long way from eligibility for food stamps. The *Wall Street Journal* reported that News Limited, the parent corporation of Murdoch's enterprises, had profits of \$12.3 million in the last six months of 1977.

an increase of 26 percent over the same period of 1976 and 10% of total sales. Even with the *Post's* alleged losses, profits from his British and American publications amounted to almost 5 million.

The empire includes 85 to 90 newspapers, most in Murdoch's native Australia, and about 15 magazines in



the US, Britain, Australia, and New Zealand. Among his American publications are the *Village Voice*, *New York*, and *New West* magazines, and the *Star*. In Britain he owns the *Sun*, one of the country's largest dailies, and the *News of the World*, a sleazoid weekly with a circulation of 16 million.

One hole in Murdoch's claims of poverty is an alleged \$2 million increase in wages paid to Guild members. Though they got a 6% raise in March 1977, the rest of the increase could only have occurred if over 60 new employees had been hired at an average salary of \$22,000. One reporter said there was "no way" this was true, and that almost as many people had quit in 1977 as had been hired from the defunct Long Island *Press*. Guild officials estimated that the resignations and layoffs in this year would save the *Post* \$3 million a year.

In any case, while head management negotiator Sidney Orenstein was making noises about how the paper could only survive by "dramatically cutting payroll costs," *Post* workers were insulted when executives' offices were remodeled with suede walls, wood floors, and Persian rugs, and when 86 Wackenhut security guards were hired. Some of the guards—who worked 12 hours a day, seven days a week,—had flown in from Las Vegas.

The other causes of friction were the changes Murdoch made in the paper. Traditionally, the *Daily News* had set the standards for tabloid sleaze in its articles and urban redneck attitudes in its editorials. Under Murdoch, the *Post* made the *News* look positively staid. When Israel invaded Lebanon,

the *News's* headline was a neutral "ISRAELI TROOPS INVADE LEBANON"; the *Post* proclaimed "REVENGE" in four-inch type. When Son of Sam killer David Berkowitz was arrested last August, the *News's* front page read "NAB MAILMAN AS .44 KILLER" while the *Post's* screamed, "CAUGHT!" in red. The day Bert Lance resigned, that story was pushed into a tiny corner of the front page by Evel Knievel hitting somebody with a baseball bat, Marcello Mastroianni saying "fuck" on Dick Cavett, and David Berkowitz groupies. At times it seemed that whoever was writing the headlines had a fixation on the word "TERROR."

The capper came in December, when a rather dubious report that a millionaire had been cloned was splashed on the front page with the headline "BABY BORN WITHOUT A MOTHER—He's the first human clone." Several reporters quit within the week. One of them, "resident Moonie-watcher" Lindsay Miller, was rumored to have stormed out saying, "I'm not going to work for the *National Enquirer*."

Apart from the more subtle political implications of such non-news coverage, like what happens when

much news space as his opponent, Mario Cuomo. 50 of the *Post's* 57 reporters signed a petition protesting the paper's coverage of the campaign. Murdoch responded: "If you don't like the paper and have any integrity, you'll leave."

Several reporters proceeded to cop some integrity, including Lindsay Van Gelder, now at *Ms.*, and Jane Perlez, whose *Soho Weekly News* stories on the *Post* situation annoyed management enough for them to ban her from the building.

Coincidentally, Murdoch's anti-union attitudes resemble Koch's. Koch's demands that subway, bus and other city workers give up night differential and sick leave and that supervisory jobs be removed from union jurisdiction were identical with those in the *Post* management package. And both Koch and Murdoch alienated their employees by berating them for alleged laziness. Koch pledged to get "deadbeats" off the city payroll, and belligerently refused to grant city workers, most of whom hadn't gotten a raise in three years, more than a 6% increase. Murdoch, in a speech in Toronto April 20, accused the *Post* unions of teaching workers to "expect a great deal more than a day's pay for

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people know about Teddy Kennedy's alleged affair with Suzy Chaffee (given ¾ of page three recently) and little or nothing about the content of his S-1437 bill, (given virtually no coverage) Murdoch also made overt moves to the right. Once relatively liberal, the paper adopted capital punishment and anti-Communism as its editorial deities.

In October 1977, they published a three-part series accusing *Guardian* reporter Wilfred Burchett of having tortured American POWs in Korea and Vietnam. When Burchett replied that the charges against him were part of a John Birch Society propaganda campaign, *Post* reporter William Hefernan laughed him off, saying that the Birchers "would have trouble organizing a Sunday picnic." Two Congressmen, Larry McDonald and John Roussetot, are Birch members, and the organization has been dominant in the campaign to legalize laetrile and influential in the fight against the Equal Rights Amendment.

More recently, the paper reprinted an article from the right-wing London *Daily Telegraph* accusing the Angolan government of mass murder. The story, billed as a first-person account of a month with the CIA-backed FNLA faction, lamented the fact that South Africa was the only country willing to support the FNLA openly. Also given heavy exposure was

a great deal less than a day's work" and said that the older people on the paper "refuse or are unable to work."

Claiming that "if the unions had been around in the days of Moses we'd still be getting the Ten Commandments on stone tablets," Murdoch said that it took 17 workers to produce 1000 lines of type at the *Post* and only 9 at an average paper. "If he hadn't cut the amount of news in the paper in half that wouldn't be true," one reporter said angrily.

The unions don't object to Murdoch's plans to replace the antiquated molten-lead printing process with computerized "cold type," but they insist that management obey contract provisions requiring all workers displaced by automation to be retrained or given equivalent jobs. A *Post* official hinted that they plan to get rid of people anyway, saying that they'd probably have to hire new staff to get workers "competent enough" to run the new machinery.

"This is not an economic cutback," a union shop paper said in mid-March, "nor is it a matter of employee competence...Management has been frank enough to admit that they fully intend to hire new staff. Our people will be replaced with management 'toadies'—people willing to renounce the Guild to demonstrate loyalty to Rupert Murdoch."

"You could put together a fine

"If you don't like the paper and have any integrity, you'll leave."—Rupert Murdoch

Edward Jay Epstein's *Legend*, a book on the supposed KGB connections of "Kennedy assassin" Lee Harvey Oswald.

Slanted coverage of the 1977 mayoral election was the focus of the biggest political confrontation between Murdoch and the staff. In the primary campaign, Murdoch endorsed winning candidate Ed Koch with front-page editorials headlined "KOCH—a man who will not be pushed around" and "VOTE TODAY—VOTE FOR KOCH." Some of them weren't labeled editorials in early editions.

After Koch had been favored in the primary runoff by getting twice as

newspaper from the people on the hit list," commented Guild unit chairperson Barbara Yuncker. The Guild didn't try to dissuade people from quitting.

Originally, Murdoch appeared to want a strike, believing he didn't need the regular workers to put the paper out. Taking advantage of a Supreme Court decision outlawing the union shop, (William F. Buckley had sued to get out of having to join AFTRA to appear on TV; the court ruled that he didn't have to join as long as he paid dues) management cajoled and coerced several people into leaving the union.

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Steve Wishnia is an ex *Post* staffer.

Dylan for Dollars

2000 forged tickets to Bob Dylan's April 2nd Sydney, Australia concert were given away by a group called the Sydney Sewer Rats.

Passing out the tickets at an anti-nuke rally earlier in the day, the Rats went to the concert and distributed copies of a press release (see box) declaring "We're not interested in copstars becoming multi-millionaires. The rich should be ripped off whenever possible."

A parody "Rolling Stone Interview," said "it's time we stopped looking to politicians, bosses, union bureaucrats, priests, deities, and pop stars, and start looking to ourselves and each other. This is the only way we will ever transform our lives."

The tickets, worth \$10.50, were for "unreserved grass" at the Sydney Showground arena, where a livestock parade had been held a few days before under heavy rains. The mud was still more than a foot deep in places.

Reporter Anne Summers of the *National Times* described the concert as a "grim ordeal" for those of the 30,000 people who had to stand in the muck.

"The most common reaction

among people near me was rage," she wrote. "This was no free Woodstock-type concert where rain and mud might be endured with communal stoicism. This was the most expensive concert of the year."

"Dylan portrayed a real star image," said one Sewer Rat. "Now he's no different from Rod Stewart or Abba." Another group member added, "We don't mind paying a bit for our culture, but we don't like making pop stars into millionaires. The whole drug-protest subculture is our terrain and we're actively opposed to people who co-opt our culture and turn it into commodities to sell at the highest possible price."

On his 1973-74 comeback tour, Dylan became the first rock musician to charge more than \$7.50 for an American concert. According to a *Rolling Stone* article, prices were set at "\$5.50 and \$6.50 in secondary markets, and \$8.50 and \$9.50 in major markets."

Sewer Rat representatives refused to disclose their identities, "Because we want to do it again. We're not martyrs and we don't want to set ourselves up for the police."

Press Release

Something's Happening And You Don't Know Quite What It Is, Do You, Mr. Dylan?

Bob Dylan and his AGC finance company promoters made a cool \$350,000 last night at yet another open air concert rip off. 30,000 people wallowed in mud, and stampeded in 'queues' like cattle in a futile attempt to see the Star; shades of Somme and Belsen.

While Dylan sang his political commodity songs, (such as 'The Times They Are Remaining'), plainclothes pigs busted senile hippy dope smokers, ('everybody must get stoned.') Dylan offered \$100 reward for anyone dobbing in the people giving away tickets, but will he pay the fines of the busted dope smokers?

We gave away 2,000 blue tickets, (\$20,000 worth), at the Anti-Uranium Rally before the concert yesterday. We would have liked to have given away 100,000—we're not interested in copstars becoming multi-millionaires. The rich should be ripped off whenever possible!

We have nothing but contempt for those people, who—having been given

tickets for free at the rally—proceeded to try and SELL them. If we catch any of those skunks, we'll beat the shit out of them.

As the *Rolling Stone* leaflet handed out at the concert, 'Bringing It All Back Home' said; 'money doesn't talk, it swears.' It was great to see another group destroying the Dylan myth.

We will issue free tickets whenever possible—so folks, don't bother buying tickets for future concerts, wait for the free ones. And we hope others will do the same, or find other ways of blocking promoters' attempts to rip us off! Lots of people got in last night without any tickets at all—just by dodging the collectors.

We couldn't agree more with the *Rolling Stone* leaflet when it says we must look to *ourselves*—not pop stars and their ilk—if we are to transform our lives.

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KENT Remembers

by Lee Small

This May 3rd and 4th Ohio authorities tried a new strategy to tone down the memory of the four students murdered by National Guardsmen at Kent State in 1970. They gave rallying permits only to liberal pacifists who they had coopted, so that all demonstrators attending activities at Kent were under their control, while they also sent provocateurs into the more militant groups. The Yippies persistently fought this lie-low psychology with the real spirit of freedom and resistance of Kent and Jackson State.

Other things were done to lower the emotional and political impact of the May 4th commemorations. Classes were cancelled on Thursday May 4th to encourage students to leave on a four day weekend. The long silent candlelight march the evening of May 3rd, which was awesome to watch, was led on a desolate path around the outskirts of campus, away from students and others who would otherwise have seen and joined it.

The approved May 4th rally quietly proceeded as planned until the Yippies plugged in their speaker, Steve Conliff. Conliff, who is running for Governor against Rhodes (who originally called the National Guard to Kent State), wasn't allowed by rally organizers to speak despite strong support. Only after Conliff drew half the crowd's attention was he given official speaking time.

Later the march around campus was



"A bunch of Yippies did it," he said of the storming of the fence. The Yippies said, 'Let's hit the fence,' and they did.'—*The New York Times*, May 5th

coerced by the Yips into going by the gym construction site where the students were shot in 1970. A bunch of Yippies then stormed the fence. The cops responded with tear gas.

Earlier, when the march neared the construction site, Yippies chanting "Burn Rhodes Now" and "The Gym Comes Next" had set fire to an effigy of Rhodes.

Gov. James A. Rhodes of Ohio called and picked the already fatigued Guard troops for Kent in 1970 and has

been instrumental in the attempted coverup of the murders.

Only two people were arrested the afternoon of the 4th, both Yippies. One was busted for climbing the fence and other trumped up charges. The other was grabbed while trying to stop the cops from beating up the first one. The arrest record for that evening is a different story that never made the straight press. Every young potential demonstrator type was pulled off the streets of Kent and harassed

in the form of faulty or trumped-up arrests (i.e. jaywalking, open beer bottles, etc.), taken in to be photographed and I.D. checked or just illegally searched.

This was the last phase of the State attempt to cover up the Kent State memory; to scare away those who might come next year to remember the spirit in which the four students died.

The more the authorities try to cover our history up the more we will remember and return to fight again.

MOVE Surrenders, Walks

by Annie Gold

The police starvation blockade of the home of the radical ecology group MOVE in Philadelphia has come to an end with an unusual deal.

March 8th Mayor Rizzo of Philly decided starvation was in order for the group for their violation of a health ordinance. A four square block area around their home was fenced off to prevent press from viewing harassment of MOVE people and to keep others from attempting to give them

food.

Philadelphians united together for many demonstrations against Rizzo's terror tactics. They formed human blockades around city hall, protested in front of newspaper buildings and demanded a halt to the concentration camp treatment of the group.

Rizzo finally began reacting to the widespread bad publicity his inhumanity was getting. In late April he offered food to the pregnant women and children. MOVE refused because

they didn't trust it, they wanted food for all their people and their dogs as well.

Meanwhile MOVE was making demands to Rizzo that didn't reach print. They wanted their four political prisoners, who had been jailed each around a year on trumped up charges, freed, and an end to the blockade and to police harassment against them.

On May 3rd MOVE surrendered, but got all their demands. They were arrested, but released on personal recognance. The four MOVE prisoners were set free. The fence blockade was removed, though they didn't take down their own fence around their house. They are still watched, but are less harassed. They are

also not moving to New Jersey as the press put out.

MOVE sees the siege and their surrender victorious. Chuck Africa explained to a YT reporter "You take an uncompromising stand and your going to get what you want...a handful of us blocked up the city for a year."

MOVE has plans to continue their struggle against repressive government despite the fact that as Conrad Africa put it "We've been beaten unconscious and back to consciousness fighting the system."

The repression of MOVE has only served to unite and politicize the people of Philadelphia. Chuck Africa said "You couldn't stop us nowhere and you can't stop us now."

Longest Walk

March For Survival

By Pancho White Villa

Through the stench of exhaust fumes and the vapor of heat rising from the black asphalt of Interstate 70, the Longest Walk crossed the Indiana border into Ohio. On this past Memorial Day weekend over 300 members of the National Indian Coalition participated in this last leg of an incredible grueling cross-country journey. A sojourn that began on February 11th at Alcatraz Island and will end 3,000 miles away in Washington DC on July 15th.

Even in the intense midday heat of late May a strenuous double file pace is kept. The marchers are now covering anywhere from 25-35 miles a day in their trek east.

At the head of the march are flowing multi-color banners and long flying, red, green and black ribbons of cloth. They are held aloft by brown-skinned men with long, black hair, some worn in braids. Representatives of over 80 tribes follow. Their facial features and tone of skin create a study in the sculptured characteristics of a race of native people that permeates the Americas.

Among them, marching for nuclear disarmament, are a small group of Japanese Buddhists with sunbeaten shaven heads, and flowing light yellow robes. Intertwined is the constant chant of the Native People and the Buddhists' consistent drumbeat. This drone is like the pace of the heart that serves to draw the spirit of the marchers together.

To one side of the marchers the highway roars, at first unbearably and then ignored. Above this a confederate's voice is heard keeping gaps from forming in the march. Except for conversations in the buses, this is the only voice to be heard. For the most part, the marchers are remarkably silent.

Non-native supporters follow behind the Indians in solidarity. A bus and a few cars give relief to the marchers' blistered feet, as well as to those who need a rest. A small caravan of dusty road-beaten vehicles are filled with the orange, red, and green of sleeping gear and tents. They are adorned with the repetitive colorful ribbons of the march and bring up the rear.

In talking to the marchers, it is constantly stressed that this is not a protest march or demonstration in the more commonly accepted terms. No,



this is a march for survival of an entire race of people, their culture and tradition. The Longest March has been set up as a ceremony in the spiritual tradition of the Native American.

The marchers hope to gain grass roots support from the American people in stopping eleven repressive bills that would in effect destroy the culture of the American Indian. Comprehensively, they would take all land, water, mineral and fishing rights, destroy the tribal structure, abrogate all treaties and dismantle the reservation.

Ironically the marchers stop to camp only a few miles from Oldtown, Ohio, the birthplace of Tecumseh, the great 18th Century Shawnee chief. Tecumseh means "he moves from one spot to another." He followed in the footsteps of Pontiac, in an attempt to unite all the Native American tribes east of the Rocky Mountains. This great orator stressed the importance of preserving the Indian Culture and rejecting the ways of the white man. In many ways Clyde Bellecourt is not unlike him.

Clyde Bellecourt travels with the Longest Walk and is its national director. He is also a founder of the American Indian Movement (AIM) and director of an Indian survival

school in Minneapolis.

Bellecourt is a well-built man who speaks with a moving, soft, but deep, committed voice. As Tecumseh sought to unite the Native Americans against encroachment of land thief by white settlers, Bellecourt speaks of a similar battle. This battle is not with the average American citizen but with the policies of the US government and the multinational corporations.

According to Bellecourt, vast quantities of uranium, coal, oil, and other resources remains largely undeveloped on Indian land. Through repressive legislation the corporations are attempting to steal these resources without giving the Indians any compensative control.

Bellecourt reminds us that "during the Gold Rush they pushed us onto desolate reservations. Still, our people survived. Now we are in an energy crisis and these resources become the black gold of today.

"When Schlesinger says that there is only 35 years of resources left in this country, and that new sources will have to be developed, he's talking about resources on Indian land."

Bellecourt claims that plans are already developed so "Rapid City, South Dakota will become the Pittsburgh of the west. Within the very short time period of five years, 400,000 people will move into that area.

"Our reservation land will be a dustbowl and controlled by multinational corporations and the US government.

"We want to protect our natural resources and to develop them ourselves, so we will have an economic base." To demonstrate the need for this base, Bellecourt points out that "the average income of an Indian family is \$1,500 a year. We have a life expectancy of 43.5 years. 70% of all Indians live in substandard housing. Our educational average is 5.5 years, and in some areas we have a dropout rate of 90 to 100%."

According to Bellecourt the Longest Walk is part of a "cultural revolution going on that is so powerful that is going to explode. Many who joined the walk have been completely changed. Many do not want to go back to the city.

"Where are we going after the walk? Half the people I have talked to are going back to the reservation."

Stressing how the cities are crumbling he says that: "Our survival pro-

gram is designed to deurbanize in order to protect our sovereignty. Our children must know the old ways in order to survive."

According to Bellecourt, the press and the US Government are constantly attempting to discredit and destroy the march. For example, Bellecourt believes that the FBI leaked false information to the press that resulted in ridiculous headlines such as "300 Angry Indians Will March on the Indianapolis 500."

Other members of the march recount that in another instance a Cincinnati organizer of the march dropped out after consistent FBI harassment. A week later he was run over by a car.

Bellecourt points out that Operation Garden Plot was tested at Wounded Knee, "This was a new masterplan by the Nixon administration to use armed forces like they did at Kent State to quell civil disturbances." He stresses that "only public support stopped them from killing us. Nixon was very conscious of public opinion, and well over 50% of the public supported our occupation."

The same type of public support is needed with the Longest Walk. People along the march can organize to discount false notions fostered about the march in the press. It seems that the straight press can not do anything but make the marchers seem either trite or dangerous.

Supporters can also join the march, or gather donations of food, money, auto parts and summer clothing. It is also necessary to petition and write the Congress about the eleven bills that the Longest March denounces.

The march will culminate in Washington DC with a rally, the Fourth Indian Treaty Conference and the Fourth Indian Survival School Conference. A Red Manifesto will be drawn up at this time.

Bellecourt expects about 15,000 people to participate in the rally on the 15th. With school out, many younger Indians will be able to join the march. There is already a caravan of 50 to 60 cars from California trying to catch up with the march. Many other Indians are coming down from Canada to meet the march in Pennsylvania. Every tribe in the US will be represented in Washington DC. As members of this march stress: "this is going to be the longest and the last march for the Indians."

Photo: Marygrace Weckesser

To the People of the Eastern United States

We would like to introduce ourselves. We are the people of The Longest Walk. We are traveling through the Eastern United States at this time as a part of our walk to Washington DC. We are walking to Washington to resist termination legislation bills before the US Congress, bills that deny us our right to be Indian people. The creator made us a part of this earth, and now Senator Kennedy and the Congress want to end our peoples' natural existence by introducing unconstitutional bills and land theft legislation. These potential laws are in violation of the US Constitution and Bill of Rights. This does not just affect Indian people, Kennedy's bill HR 6869 (or SB 1437) includes everyone: the minorities, the

poor, and the middle class by repression. The right to demonstrate, the freedom to speak our minds, the right to gather in groups, the right to privacy and the freedom from unlawful arrest and search and seizure are some of the rights that become illegal under Kennedy's bill. The corporations and the government are affected in that they can use this bill to stop anti-war demonstrations, marches to Washington DC, the right to strike; any public grievances deemed unnecessary by this "New Corporate State" will be illegal. If the Kennedy bill and the 10 other anti-Indian peoples bills become law, the people of America must prepare for economic conditions to become worse

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NY State Tries To Ban the Bong

by Michael Davids

The New York State Senate this week passed and sent to the Assembly legislation which would outlaw the sale of "drug-related paraphernalia" and "drug-related printed matter."

Sponsored by Queens Senator Frank Padavan, who led the opposition to marijuana decriminalization, the proposed law would provide business-license revocation and fines of up to \$10,000 per offense for selling (or offering for sale) any equipment or device which is "used or intended to be used" to administer, enhance, conceal or test this purity of any "controlled substance," or for selling or offering for sale any "book, magazine, pamphlet, periodical, card or flier which is "intended" to advocate or recommend use or possession of controlled substances, to "advertise, describe, explain or depict" any method of obtaining controlled substances, to advertise, describe, or explain paraphernalia.

You may have thought that the battle was over in New York. You may've been wrong; the ninnies are back, and they will win overwhelmingly unless the Assembly or the Governor turns back this latest assault of the diehards—and once again, for the millionth time, the Constitution is to be abolished to save us all from dope.

You should know, though, that because marijuana is no longer a "controlled substance" in New York since the 7/29/77 effective date of decriminalization, this bill actually only applies to other drugs, like cocaine.

You should know that both the New York and U.S. constitutions guarantee freedom of the press and of speech, and that this bill can probably never become effective law because of its blatant unconstitutionality.

If this bill ever were to become law,

though, it would attempt to put the Head Shop Industry out of business, along with *High Times*, *Head*, and other periodicals, like this journal. It would prevent publication of information about drugs, and prevent even the *New York Times* from describing drugs or their use in detail, or from accepting advertising of any product which could possibly be "intended" by someone to be used unlawfully. It would prevent purity testing, in order to make drug use more dangerous, and, while leaving no vestige of the Bill of Rights, it would establish a government of dictatorial whimsy in which any businessperson could be fined \$10,000 (repeatedly) and put out of business, based solely upon a catalog or display believed by any local health officer or attorney general to be intended by some imaginary pro-

spective purchaser to be used in virtually any association with so-called "controlled substances."

Senator Padavan claims that the paraphernalia business has expanded rapidly to become a blight and a serious threat to our society. He says that "as gospels of the drug culture, these establishments urge the general public, and children in particular, to enjoy the escape of drugs." He probably believes it, though he and the senator are apparently unaware that their latest attack on marijuana doesn't even apply to marijuana.

But latest information reveals as startling change: Someone apparently told Frank Padavan about the Constitution. The Senate has rushed to vote again, on June 19th, on an amended version which leaves out the prohibition of printed matter and substitutes a presumption to the effect that the mere possession of drug-related printed matter shows the intent to use paraphernalia unlawfully.

Yipster Times' Albany smokesper-

son, from his position high above the State Capitol, tells us that the Senate will probably pass it again, after which the new version will go to the Assembly Consumer Affairs & Codes Committees.

Do tune in next week, to find out whether your State Senator has been institutionalized. If you don't want more bad news, write or call your Assemblyperson, and tell them what you think of this vicious, stupid nonsense.

If you don't know who represents you, ask the *League of Women Voters*. And don't forget to remind the Governor how many voters want to see this one vetoed, so we don't have to fight it in the Courts for years.

Rock & Roll Is Here to Stay (but some people just won't accept defeat graciously.) Maybe, though, if we can turn back the diehards decisively now, the way will be cleared for full legalization before too long.

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Stop Blacklists—Boycott Hair!

David Peel, the granddaddy of Punk, has been having a run of bad luck.

Dave's relations with New Wave Queen Patti Smith have deteriorated to insults and abuse. Just last weekend in Washington Square Park she had to cool him out with a few good swift *savate*-type kicks below the belt.

And when some hangers-on of the Dead Boys started a rumble at the bar during a fabulous *High Times* party at a posh uptown disco, it was Peel whose playing hand was slashed.

So we hope the Peeloid gets better before July 4th, and we think it's time somebody put in a good word for him, not only because he's stuck with the smoke-ins thru thick and thin, but because he's got politics, and he's the victim of a blacklist because of it.

Blacklist? Yes, Blacklist! Just because it isn't happening on televised hearings, just because Congress isn't doing it and it's being administered directly by Warner Communications doesn't change it for artists.

Here we see Mayor Ed Koch at the filming of *Hair* in Central Park's Sheep's Meadow, endorsing the staged imitation of 60's culture for the bux it's bringing to New York. The funny thing is that his administration has refused to grant a permit for the traditional spring smoke-in, a week later, same location.

Suddenly, tho, Koch's underhanded pitch for votes is interrupted—the Peeloid launches an effusive spiel inviting the thousands of the audience to come to the *real thing* a week later. This photo captures the look on Ed Koch's face as he realizes he's practically been suckered into endorsing the Fifth Avenue Marijuana Day Parade.

On May 6th, the parade went all the way up Fifth Avenue without incident for the first time in three years. But David Peel was fired from the production of *Hair* by reactionary emigre Producer Milos Foreman within 48 hours.

We're calling on our readers to boycott *Hair*. How can you have a movie of a Be-In in New York without David Peel? It isn't historically accurate.



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Peace Breaks Out SMOKE-INS SWEEP COUNTRY

Ann Arbor; Atlanta; Grand Junction, Colorado—for 3 consecutive weekends, April 1st, 7th, and 14th, organizers at Smoke-In Central noted the out-and-out police riots at these 3 Smoke-Ins, probing for the level of federal direction, comparing the ominous signs of what might be in store for the 5th Avenue Pot Parade this year unless a handle could be gotten on the NY Police before May 6th.

For the past two years massed riot police had turned the 5th Avenue Pot Parade aside at 23rd Street; last year there was isolated clubbing and gassing after a breakaway protest march on the U.N.

It wasn't easy—but the first indications of a break came as early as Amherst, on April 22nd, just a week after the Grand Junction police riot. In Amherst, Massachusetts, where heavy narc intimidation and one actual arrest dispersed last fall's harvest festival, thousands toked up to the accompaniment of five bands from New York, Maine and Massachusetts with spirited raps by Aron Kay and Dana Beal—and without a single cop even being visible all day!

Local Yippie! Russ Swann reported that authorities, after first getting heavy, backed off in the middle of the week and offered a deal: no cops, if the toking was confined to U. Mass campus, 2 miles from downtown.

Peaceful Protests Pre-dominate
This became the pattern in Iowa City—where 500 toked up and protested paraquat while watching a thunder storm approach—at Hash Wednesday in Champagne-Urbana, Illinois; at both Bloomington smoke-ins (Indiana and Illinois); at the Oshkosh, Wisconsin toke-down and

literally dozens of others where 500-1,000 freex turned out to turn on. In one small town after another—at protests directly challenging local police abuses—fuzz were conspicuous in their absence.
Analysts at Smoke-in Central (212-533-5028) immediately saw that higher authorities, realizing a

hundred-odd smoke-ins were scheduled in less than a month, calculating that a few more Atlantas would set off a chain reaction thru the media, like the anti-nuke furor, had overruled the hardliner feds intent on new methods and hardware (like the mobile booking units on buses in Ann Arbor, for mass arrests without mass jailing).

Met everywhere with confidence and determination to turn a single arrest into mass turn-ins, mass jailings, and bail solidarity (ie, nobody leaves 'til charges are dropped against everyone), narc nerve snapped.

Yippies Take Offensive

One week after Amherst, we put into effect Plan B: *If police are avoiding confrontation, the time is obviously ripe to go looking for them.*

The Kent Memorial Smoke-In at Cleveland, April 30th, was going pleasantly but too uneventfully for the organizers, with 1,500 heads gathered in a sunny park under the chill winds off Lake Erie.

Mayor Dennis Kuchinich had just announced a crackdown on toking up at rock concerts, but not a single cop could be found all afternoon—in direct eyesight of the City Jail—who would enforce it for waiting TV crews.
Finally the high command of the the

gubernatorial campaign of long-time smoke-in organizer Steve Conliff egged the crowd on over to the steps of the jail, where inmates upstairs chanted along until the TV crews arrived.

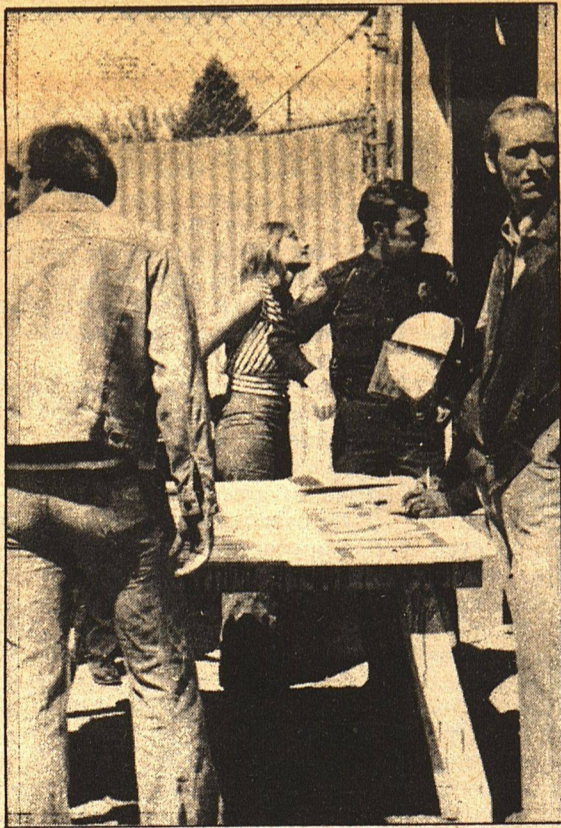
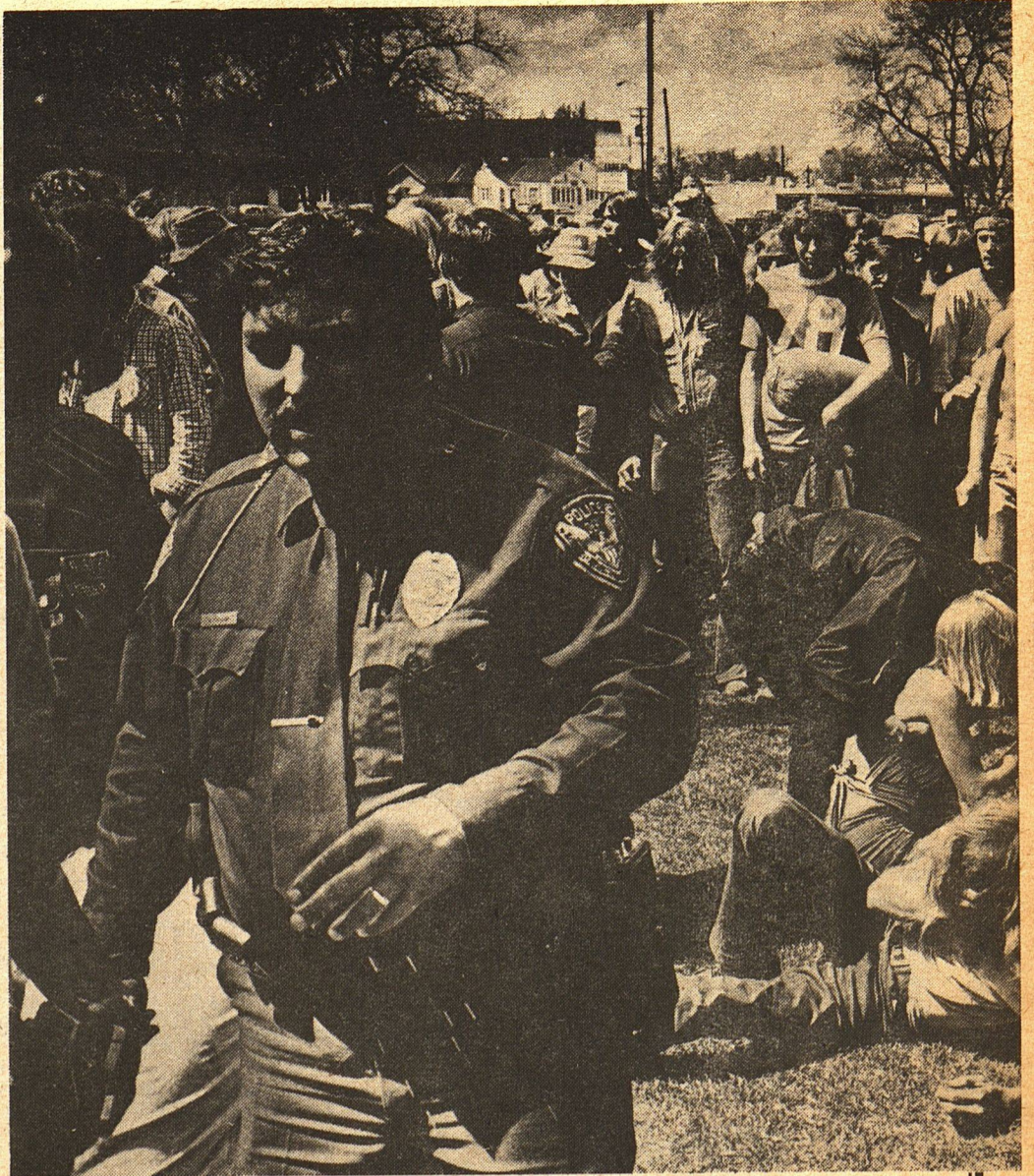
That night on the 11 o'clock news was obvious the concert in the park was totally ignored. *Only police confronting demonstrators was news.* And they were still only willing to bring out three cops and one squad car, to deal with 400-500 people on their jail steps.

Smoke-In organizers improved the approach the next day, Cannabis Monday, in Carbondale, Illinois, where 1,000 heads investigating the mysterious total disappearance of law enforcement from their event, went downtown, first to the city center, then occupied the adjacent Interstate Highway for 30 minutes. Only then did police arrive, as freex were already wending their way back to the park—against oneway traffic during rush hour—causing the most monumental traffic jam in Carbondale history.

Lucky Breaks

The Washington Post editorialized bemoaning that protests against para-

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the park. They reported about 100 participants and 20 cops. Narcs and feds were also setting up cameras and surveillance equipment on the roof of a building across the street.

At 12:10 p.m., April 15th, the Flag of the New Nation was raised to the cheers of a crowd which had grown to nearly 500. Papers, posters, and flags were distributed and the banners went up behind the stage. The crowd waited patiently as the first band set up and Yippies solved last minute problems with the generator. By this time, there were nearly 50 policemen, narcs, and feds hanging out in small groups, milling about the perimeters of the crowd.

The clouds disappeared and the sun came out. The sky turned a deep shade of blue.

As the band was warming up, M.C. Dave Bernis took the microphone to welcome everyone to the festival, telling everyone to get close together, near the stage. "The pigs aren't going to come into the middle of our crowd! Now if you're going to smoke marijuana, wait until the band starts playing!" Everything looked good, people were ready to boogie. Folks had come from as far away as Indiana to dig some good music and smoke pot. Television cameras were there from Denver and the Networks.

"Okay," Bernis continued, "You all know why we're here! (The crowd cheers!) How many of you want the marijuana laws repealed? *Raise your hands!*" T.V. cameras panned the crowd to reveal nearly 500 outstretched arms and nearly as many voices emphatically raised in support of ending "pothibition".

As the first band came on, doobies started burning all through the crowd and almost immediately the cops attacked.

The first group of four oinkers headed into the middle of the crowd to apprehend "decriminals" smoking herb. (Simple possession in Colorado is a 100 dollar fine, no jail sentence violation.)

Cabin Lance, of New Mexico YIP held on to one of the first bustees, not

allowing the cops to take him. Others followed suit as the pigs found themselves trapped in the middle of the crowd with no route to escape.

Out came the mace! Out came the billy-clubs and knucklesaps! Out came about 15 more cops, who became more violent and started to make with the mace so freely that they provoked a defensive barrage of bottles. One pig's head was split, and he was taken to the hospital for stitches. This first confrontation lasted about 10 minutes and resulted in 5 arrests.

Bernis was on stage telling everyone to "sit down and be non-violent. The pigs want violence," he shouted, "Don't give it to them! Everyone *sit down* and we'll turn ourselves in and take over the jail *peacefully!*" When everyone calmed down, the police retreated and the band started to play again. The pigs fell back around the perimeters, but within a few minutes another confrontation began.

About five demonstrators were moving toward the policeline when Bernis stepped in between them and the cops. As he tried to move protesters back away from the cops, he was grabbed by two plainclothes pigs.

"Okay, come with us."

"Hold it!! Am I under arrest?"

"Yes."

"What's the charge?"

"Ah.....obstruction."

"Okay, I'm going peacefully!!"

With that they pushed him against the stage and handcuffed him. The two narcs became four, and they escorted him to a mickey-mouse booking station they had set up in the park. Just before arriving at the booking station one of the cops turned to another and said, "What should we charge him with?" The other one thought for a second (longer than usual!) and replied, "Resisting arrest". Bernis was booked and taken to the Mesa County Jail, personally escorted by bozo Ed Vandertook, Chief of Policia.

Grand Junction police were in for an even bigger surprise an hour later when, no sooner had the arrestees been arraigned, than 75 supporters



marched down from the smoke-in to pack a courtroom that holds 25 max. Cabin Lance was charged with resisting arrest, and his bond was set at six hundred dollars. David Bernis was charged with inciting to riot (a felony in Colorado,) resisting arrest, public consumption, and possession of cannabis sativa. His bond was set at \$1000.

Back at the park, a bail fund was started and the remaining organizers began collecting money. The pigs continued to harass demonstrators, spraying mace in every direction. There were several hundred violations committed by people drinking alcohol in the park (which carries the same penalty as smoking pot,) yet none of those people were arrested or harassed.

Ben Masel, world-renowned phlegm expert, was grabbed—but he managed to slip through the pigs' fingers, and was lost in the middle of the crowd.

Around 4:00 in the afternoon Walter Hyde was on stage advising people what to do if arrested. But it was while he was making a pitch for the bail fund that three or four pigs came right up on stage to arrest him! Walter, who is nearly twice the size of any cop there, put his hands behind his back, and stood still while the pigs handcuffed him. He leaned down to the mic, and told the crowd of nearly 800 people, "I'm going peacefully."

He was later charged with resisting arrest and his bond was set at six hundred dollars.

At about 7:00 p.m. a small fire was started on a manhole cover in the park. The fire engines were brought in, but the firemen somehow managed to spray more people than flames. The crowd started jumping on the firehose and tried to take the hose from the firemen. About twenty to thirty sheriff's deputies had to be called in to re-enforce the more-than-fifty officers already on the scene.

A few moments later they opened fire with mace to disperse the crowd. People were chanting and started to throw bottles back at the pigs. The police line started backing up as they

threw the first tear-gas cannister. They continued to retreat while throwing more cannisters. Someone in the crowd retaliated by throwing one of the cannisters back at the pigs.

A fifteen-year-old girl was hit on the chin with one of the first cannisters—while it was still on fire! She went to the hospital where she recieved four stitches. A six-foot heavyset college student claimed he was hit with a rubber bullet at close range seconds after he saw a police officer pointing a gun at him. It knocked him to the ground and he couldn't breathe. He still had a burnmark on his chest four days later.

At 7:20 p.m. a fresh tear-gas barrage was laid down on the demonstrators, so heavily that it caused a 30-minute delay in the baseball game on the other side of the park while tear-gas floated across the baseball stadium. By 8:30 p.m. only 40 police were left, guarding the park.

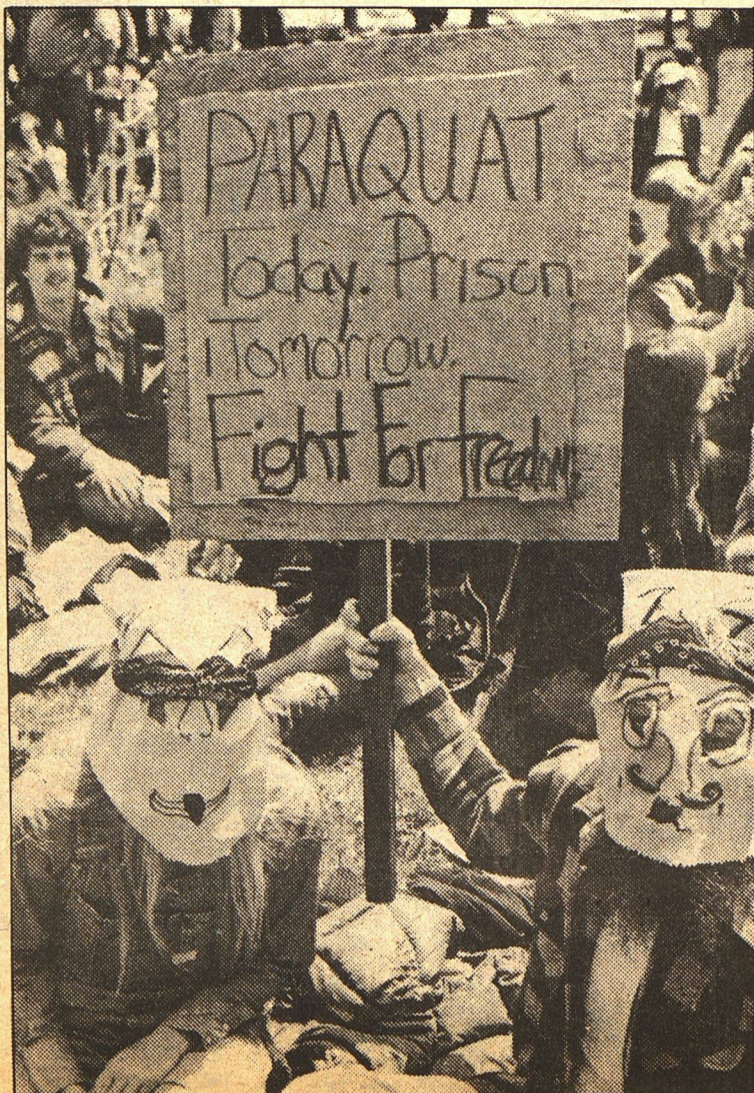
All demonstrators were either home, or in jail. Twenty-three persons were arrested at the Smoke-In, but all were free by Sunday except the out-of-towners, including Bernis, who sat in jail for 2 weeks until he was able to get off with time served (not bad for a felony).

On Sunday some of the organizers went back to the park on Sunday to clean up the trash and beer-bottles, as they promised they would. They were met by a police barricade, and refused entry into the park. Walter Hyde was released from jail on April twenty-sixth. Cabin Lance and Dave Bernis were released April twenty-ninth on bond.

Once again an American police department had shown the world how easy it is to start a riot—if you arrest the people who are trying to stop it.—But Smoke-in Central has been looking for a place where cops'll actually bust us, for a successful Turn-in. Thousands of Yuppies will come back next time. Plans are now underway for the Grand Junction Harvest Festival, which will be in October, and other future actions for Western Colorado. YIPPIE!



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Carbondale



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Dayton

Photo, Bottom: D. Goubeaux

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of about 100 freex was led by the twelve-foot joint and a dozen banners and signs, many of which were made outside our YIP house. The parade proceeded up the street without the promised police traffic direction, although we had a legal permit. This being the case, we took over the entire street instead of the one-lane-only we promised the city. When we reached our destination at a crossing highway our permit said we could go no further, so we sat down filling the street while Ben gave another short talk. We had successfully backed up traffic completely on one of Illinois' major highways for 30 minutes, without a hassle!

The city police, who finally arrived, stood and watched as the remaining potheads marched back down the one way street amongst the cars and on the sidewalk, in an unscheduled parade pass the backed-up motorists and to the Smoke-In site. There the few remaining loyalists smoked a few last joints and cleaned the area.

I hit the Smoke-In trail shortly after our event in C'dale, so I can't predict what the long-term response will be. I'm sure things haven't changed much in town, except summer is almost upon us, but I can feel it starting to—all over! In Carbondale we've crossed that thin line—now is the time for us all to kill apathy everywhere, and put an end to the repressions we live with daily! Now is the time to stand up and blow smoke-in the face of repression! YIPPEE!!!

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"You could put together a fine newspaper from the people on the hit list," commented Guild unit chairperson Barbara Yuncker. The Guild didn't try to dissuade people from quitting.

Originally, Murdoch appeared to want a strike, believing he didn't need the regular workers to put the paper out. Taking advantage of a Supreme Court decision outlawing the union shop, (William F. Buckley had sued to get out of having to join AFTRA to appear on TV; the court ruled that he didn't have to join as long as he paid dues) management cajoled and coerced several people into leaving the union.

Some of Murdoch's pet writers also quit the Guild, and in March and April they combined with management personnel and imports from the *San Antonio Express-News* to print two "experimental" not-for-sale editions. His ardor for putting the paper out himself cooled when the scab editions turned out to be possibly the worst-looking papers ever printed under the *Post* name. They probably could have done a better job if they had used the city room xerox machine.

Two stereotyping machines broke the first weekend they tried it. Murdoch charged the printers with sabotage. The head of the stereotypers union said that all machines had been in order when the plant had shut down for the weekend. The prevailing belief in the building was that incompetent scabs had bozofied them, but a common sentiment was "if it was

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sat down for the "Mark-up"—where actual re-writing is done—threw up their hands when confronted with the hundreds of amendments tacked on at the last minute in the Senate.

Representative James R. Mann (D.-S.C.) denounced the measure as having "too many tradeoffs, compromises and special interest influences." Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman (D.-Brooklyn) averred there would be precious little of the Bill of Rights left if S-1437 were passed as is.

The House Subcommittee decision is a lucky break for the Left, whose campaign against the bill suffers from a bad case of sectarianism, with many of the groups fighting the bill ignoring

sabotage, they deserved it."

Eighteen workers were laid off on May 23, the day after management's deadline for people to quit. All of them had been at the paper for less than two years. Murdoch's future actions are uncertain, but posting job conditions and illegal layoffs are two likely possibilities.

Meanwhile, the remaining workers will be trying to keep a badly rotting paper produced by a unionized, comparatively well-paid staff from turning into an abysmal rag put out by semi-slaves.

Daily News columnist Pete Hamill once called Murdoch "the sleaziest character in journalism." It is a widely held belief among present and former *Post* people that in protecting his money, power, and arrogance he is likely to live up to that label.

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Of course, you're probably most effective travelling in your own state or region. It'll be easier to stay in touch with people you meet—and that's what's important. You're setting up your organization, the scene you'll be working with when you want to do something or need help later.

How do you think Steve Conliff of Ohio got away with pieing Governor Rhodes?

Yippie organizing is most effective when you can work on a statewide or regional basis. Obviously, publicity covers a wider area with several groups of people working on an action from different cities. You can delegate special projects which people in the city hosting the event would be too busy to get together.

But for the kind of communication it takes to pull off statewide activities, the organizers have to know and trust each other. The means to achieve this are statewide travellers, and state conferences.

Give yourself lots of lead time if you

are trying to put together a first state YIP confab. First of all, call us at the Yipster Times. We can get you addresses and phone numbers of our contacts in the state. Get a mailing out in time to let folks make plans and tell their friends. Follow with phone calls and visits.

Depending on the state and response you get, you can have things at home, tho with a well promoted conference you may need a larger space.

Make sure that proposed means of communication really happen. Many a project has never even started, because the person or group which took responsibility for the initial newsletter "got into something else", or "couldn't get the bread together".

If communication is the project not of one collective, but of a state coordinating committee of two people in each burg, (people with fones), the state group can act much more quickly, and can more readily input into national decisions. (*There is obviously no way we can consult everyone directly before making any given move, or taking a particular editorial policy. A state organ can funnel feedback through.*)

State travellers also play a key role in the distribution of the Yipster Times and other stuff. We have found it faster and considerably cheaper to haul the Yipster Times bulk orders ourselves, than to ship. But if trucks carrying orders have to make every stop, they lose a lot of time. Ideally, a long distance drop can leave a couple thousand YTs with the state contact, for prompt distribution, both to people we know, and pioneering in new cities. Obviously State travellers have a much better chance to follow up on contacts than someone doing a national route.

each other.

Now that Carter and Bell have drawn the line with this spy between the anti-war movement and the legitimate mainstream, the power of the CP to repeat the effective job it did against S-1 is in doubt.

Previously anti-S-1 forces like NORML and NCARL (National Coalition Against Repressive Legislation) have even worked out minimalist strategies for the current bill if "reformed". But S-1437 is not reformable. When they tried to improve S-1437 in the Senate the reforms that were added were worse than the original.

The chief exponents of the reform line are groups most tied into the

liberal-left establishment in Washington, which is under incredible pressure from Ted Kennedy's people.

The House Subcommittee decision not to proceed with HR-6869 (S-1437) only means a new lull.

YIP had said all along that the way to destroy the bill was to tie it down with riders and amendments that galled the right as much as the left. But Bell, Kennedy & the forces they represent have already mounted one surprise attack. The only way to put this thing to its grave is massive protest—now!

Join us in Washington, July 2nd at the Capitol Bldg, and July 4th in Lafayette Park, for the **Carter Veto S-1437** blow-out.

Paraquat

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of his concern. Peter Bourne also got into the act, asking the National Institute of Drug Abuse to conduct a study of paraquat pot's effects.

For the next few months nothing happened, being the summer period when most media people busy themselves with rewrites. In October the story once again took off, owing in large part to *High Times* revolving news editor A. Craig Copetas, who wrote the story for the New York *Daily News*, America's largest-selling paper. Later that month the first of two government studies came in. The NIDA study was not that much paraquat pot that could be found coming into the country. Of several shipments generously donated to them by the DEA, they found several "partially contaminated" bales. The study said it was doubtful that paraquat would be harmful if smoked, but that it could be dangerous if ingested. They illustrated the point by postulating that it would take 32 pounds of quat pot brownies at one sitting to be fatal.

These figures, themselves were highly dubious. Respectable dealers who worked the Sinaloa region denied that paraquat pot had ever come through their hands. "The buyers have been testing for it," said a dealer from the region "and nobody in Mexico can find any. It's only in the states that it's turning up."

Regardless of the government figures, it was at this point that the pro-pot lobbies should have gotten suspicious. Instead, they gobbled up the figures, and screamed for more. NORML held a press conference, for instance, in which the first fifteen pages were verbatim reprints of NIDA and Health, Education & Welfare shock statements that read like a 50's movie script on the killer weed. And *High Times* magazine held a press conference in New York saying that not only was the paraquat pot everywhere in America, but that it was of particular danger to school children who could not afford the higher-priced Colombian, and had to take their chances with Mexican.

Segundo explained, "I tried to get the owner of the magazine to cancel the press conference, but he insisted that since it was going to be such a big story, we'd better be the ones spreading the bad news."

At least two groups, the Yippies and the Confederation, an underground organization of pound and ton dealers who occasionally appear at pot confabs to enter in debate on major topics, quickly branded the media quat onslaught a red herring.

Part of the reason NORML went off the deep end in their acceptance of the government propaganda was because they had arrived late on this issue, missing it in the first *High Times* articles and in the underground press until it was brought to their attention by NIDA and Peter Bourne. The embarrassment at their belated arrival on the biggest issue since the Mari-

juana Tax Act was so acute that they tried to make up for it by making the most outrageous claim. They even outshined the cops in their paranoid descriptions of quat pot at a press conference in Washington D.C. in March of this year. Stroup declared to a group of skeptical reporters that not only was the U.S. brimming with poison pot, but that even the minutest amount would bring about an agonizing death, if not today, then soon. No matter that the pot had been sprayed for the past three years and not a single person had ever sneezed from the effects. Stroup then called for a total boycott of all Mexican pot, a position no doubt applauded by law enforcement agencies dedicated to the same ends everywhere. Stroup was suddenly the darling of the right-wing press, more quoted in his counsel to go cold turkey on pot than he had ever been in his decrim pleas, and he so loved the limelight that he continued to peddle this outrageous fraud long after it had been debunked. He also went on to say at the press conference that no one was safe, not even the rich; the finest Colombian gold could actually be the tainted paraquat Mexican because they look exactly alike! Even the press corps hooted at that one, recognizing the imbecility of the claim and refusing to defame themselves by being identified with it in their articles.

At last, though, it seems the scare is ebbing. A recent *Time* magazine article quoted some Recognized Laboratory scientists as saying that there seemed to be more style than substance in the paraquat panic. And the New York *Times*, which prides itself on not getting taken in by the ordinary day to day ruses, recently headlined a story "Mexico Says Marijuana Poison Scare is Propaganda". The Mexican government has contended, correctly, that "the whole campaign has been orchestrated by groups favoring legalization of marijuana." Mexico's Deputy Attorney General scoffed at the scare stories, pointing out that "The traffickers aren't stupid. They can tell the difference between yellow marijuana and the dark green unsprayed kind. We've found loads of sprayed marijuana dumped by roadsides because the sellers couldn't find a buyer for it." He also pointed out that paraquat was probably not as harmful as some would suggest, that it is used in 90 countries to protect sugar cane, grapes, tomatoes, cotton and citrus products. It is used extensively in Florida and the U.S. Southwest and allowed to be on the citrus and sugar cane that Americans ingest daily.

Whether or not any of these facts are going to deter the stampede brought on by special interest groups and sensationalizing journalists remains to be seen. Like the dangers of LSD and swine flu, there are some people who will always believe them, who need the Big Lie to substitute for their own analyses, who need the writers, politicians, and NORML.

Refined Sugar White Trash



by Melissa Rivera

This popular food additive has been the subject of intense argument between nutritionists, food industry bosses, and anyone concerned with what s/he is putting in her/his body.

Today anyone with any reasonable background in nutrition knows that, at best, sugar is a source of empty calories—it has **no nutritional value at all**. The hype about it being a "good source of energy" is a twisting of the truth by the sugar industry.

All carbohydrates—simple sugars and starches—are eventually broken down into glucose by the body. Your body needs glucose—without it, it goes through a deprivation process called ketosis. But you must make a choice about what source you are going to use to satisfy this need. Fructose, lactose and maltose occur naturally—sucrose is what is left from a chemical process that strips away the protein and fiber from the sugar cane or beet. The glucose found in fruits, milk and grains are both in small, healthy amounts, and have the other nutrients (protein, vitamins, minerals) of that particular food. Sucrose not only has the nutritious part of the plant removed, but it is also a concentrated amount of sugar—2½ pounds of sugar beet needed to make one ounce of white sugar, and the average American easily eats that much sugar in one day.

The danger of such a concentrated amount of sugar is this: sugar, especially when eaten alone without a healthy food to balance out its bad effects, destroys the normally gentle rhythm of your adrenal system. When eaten alone, sucrose goes straight from your intestinal wall into your blood stream. Now, the normal amount of glucose in the blood is 70 to 110 milligrams of glucose in one gram of blood. When sucrose is eaten, this rises too far above 110 mg.—this is where people get their "energy rush" from. But your body cannot handle such a high amount of sugar. So

within a couple of hours, the body's adrenal system produces insulin, a hormone which lowers the glucose level in the blood to an acceptable ratio. If a moderate amount of glucose is present, then only a small amount of insulin will be released. But a larger amount of insulin is needed to deal with all the sugar the average American eats today. This flooding of the bloodstream with insulin makes the glucose level plunge way down. This is when people get sluggish, hungry and irritable in the middle of the afternoon. So they eat more sugar and go through the same cycle again.

Refined starches (white flour and white rice) have the same effect on the body. Most of the nutritious part of the plant is removed because the modern steel rollers that grind the grains would turn the live part of the food rancid due to the heat produced. So only the dead starchy part of the grain goes through. The naturally occurring oils and fiber are gone and the starch is broken down too quickly for the body to handle. Health is sacrificed for process. It's sick to think of food companies congratulating themselves because they "enrich" their products; stone-ground whole wheat and brown rice are full of B vitamins and protein in their natural state. These foods, used as staples for centuries, now have literally the life ground out of them. The few B vitamins and iron added don't make up for the rest of the B-complex group that has been removed. The natural plants also may contain unknown nutrients or trace elements that we need. For example, chromium until very recently was considered an 'organic contaminant' in whole wheat flour. IT is now known to be a vital trace element.

Sugar is a slow destroyer for people with comparatively normal blood glucose levels, and a killer for diabetics (those with high blood sugar) and hypoglycemics (those with low blood sugar).

For normal people with "normal" American eating habits—skippy breakfasts, starchy lunches, in-between "fixes" of candy, coffee, cigarettes, and alcohol at meals—they suffer the up and down stresses of the glucose level jumping. After any length of sugar binging, people will suffer depression, anxiety, irritability and sluggishness. They may develop a craving for alcohol—also pure calories—or caffeine—which has the quick pick-up of sugar. They will eat more and more junk food, which is especially bad, since your body needs more protein and other nutrients when under stress, and the sugar ups-and-downs is a form of stress. It goes without saying that sugar will destroy your teeth and make you even sicker if you come down with any illness.

Continuous sugar indulgence will for many people lead to either hypoglycemia or diabetes. According to a survey done by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, "...out of 134,000 people interviewed, 66,000 cases of hypoglycemia were reported. This represents 49.2% of those interviewed..." This 1966-67 survey was done on non-institutional subjects; that is, these people were not in hospitals being treated for some ailment. If this survey can be considered representative of the whole American public, and if you add to these figures the millions of people who are diabetic or pre-diabetic, then you can see that the majority of people should never eat sugar.

What is hypoglycemia? Simply when insulin is released to counteract the high sugar level, it may someday over-react and release too much. The symptoms of low blood sugar are similar to those mentioned before, but greatly worsened—severe depression, manic-depressive-like behavior, and low energy drive. How severe the condition is will vary from person to person. One may find herself only moderately depressed if she hasn't eaten in a few hours; another may go

through personality changes strong enough and erratically enough to think he is going crazy, and his family and friends will agree with him on that. As a matter of fact, some people who were diagnosed as schizophrenic, manic-depressive, or paranoid had this syndrome; a change in diet drastically changed their behavior for the better. If you find yourself depressed and irritable for no apparent reason, and see that your moods swing around the times you eat or don't eat, see your doctor and ask to have a Glucose Tolerance Test (GTT) done. You come in the morning of the test fasting; the doctor will take a sample of blood then, and will give you some concentrated sugar syrup to drink. For the next several hours, your blood will periodically be taken. The GTT will measure how high and low your blood sugar level goes. Normal blood glucose levels should never drop below 70 mg. glucose to one gram blood; if yours does, then you should remove **all** refined sugar and high starch foods from your diet and eat high protein foods with lots of vegetables and fruits. These foods will both repair your body and your sugar level from going to such extremes. A lot of doctors have poor background in nutrition, and many in the past have put their patients on high-sugar diets when it was found that they were hypoglycemic.

Diabetes is when the body cannot produce **enough** insulin to bring down the sugar. If this disease runs in your family, you are especially susceptible to it, and should not aggravate your chances of developing it by a high sugar diet.

Obviously, people should try to kick this habit. But one trip to the supermarket would discourage even the best-intentioned person. Our food supply is controlled by large agribusiness corporations. By adding sugar and corn product fillers to the majority of canned and processed foods (if that is what you want to call them), it both fills up the product with a cheap food source (meaning profit\$\$\$) and keeps the public hooked. (You can also think about the social possibilities of having a nation of people sluggish, apathetic and sick from poor diet. For example, a cook at a women's prison told an interviewer that she is **ordered** to serve a starchy diet to the inmates; the reason given was that a high-starch diet would keep them sluggish & hopefully apathetic to their environment.) Otherwise, these people would be healthy enough to feel oppressed, and who knows what healthy people are capable of doing?

Nearly everything the modern American eats is sugar-contaminated. From baby food to tomato sauce to toothpaste, sugar is a fact of modern life.

If you sincerely want to be rid of sugar, you should mercilessly throw out **all** foods containing either sugar, corn products, or refined flour. If you crave sweetness, try using natural sweeteners—honey, fruits—don't use brown sugar; that's only white sugar with molasses added.

Eating healthy is expensive in this society—so what else is new? Is it worth paying the extra money to get the food we need? This question could be the first of many with social values needing to be looked at again. You can also ask how long will people continue to look the other way while corporations manipulate our lives and those of people in other countries. The sugar and coffee we eat not only sicken us; the land these crops were grown on was bought from Third World countries. The people starve while their good soil is sold by their puppet government leaders to US companies to grow these nutritionally worthless foods—people are malnourished because of profit-motivated corporations both here and over there. Think, people!

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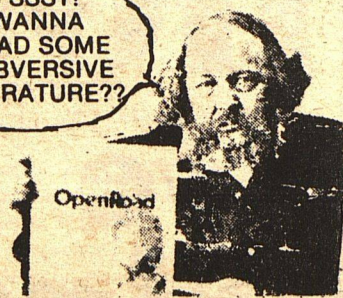
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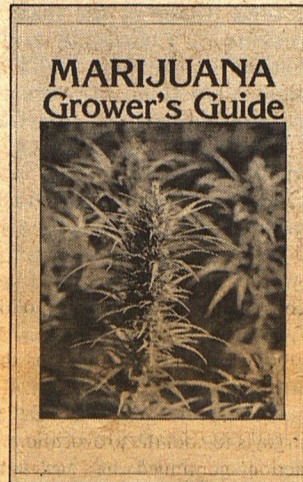
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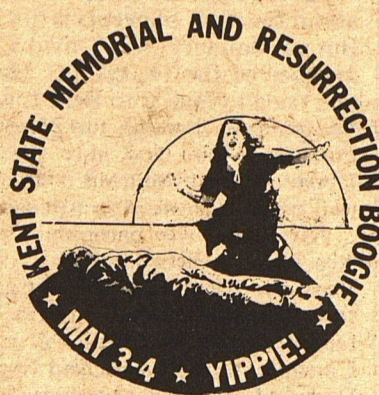
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Cons Give Carter Fingers

By F. Dzerzhinsky

The Ohio State Pen at Lucasville stands guard over the cornfields and presumably the public morals of the people of Ohio. But within its dark and foreboding walls the US Constitution, the UN Charter on Human Rights and the Helsinki Accords are being systematically violated by a prison bureaucracy trembling with fear and outrage at the growth of a revolutionary community behind the walls. What is unique is that the cons at Lucasville (and their sisters in struggle in Marysville Pen) are doing something about it. To be exact, they have begun a program of severing their fingers and portions of their fingers and mailing them to high government officials, including Jimmy Carter, demanding that their right to political asylum under the Helsinki Accords be granted. It's crisis time for Jimmy and his clique of bol weevils as their elaborate tapestry of concern for human rights crumbles under the blows of the people who have the least human rights of all—the prisoners of America.

In the span of three years, Lucasville has seen its guards go out on strike, an attempted mass break, food and work strikes, and now the self-mutilations. The struggle has gone from a military one to a military/political one, with cons learning through struggle how to exert maximum pressure on the bourgeoisie without needless and permanent sacrifices. They have learned the art of revolutionary survival.

A con involved in the mass break in 1975 tells about Lucasville in those days: "In the 3 years that the prison has been open, there had never been (until us) an attempt to escape from the prison proper. Security arrangements had always discouraged any serious contemplation of escape. Prison officials had come to think of their domain as escape-proof. Such an attitude invariably increased our chances for success. It was to our advantage for them to continue thinking that the prison was escape proof... That escape resulted in the death of one brother, and the shooting of several others. It lead directly to the current movement.

The Lucasville 14 contend that they have the right, under the Helinsky Accords, to renounce American citizenship and become political emigres. Many nations in the world recognize this. For example, the Peoples' Republic of China's Constitution says very clearly that, "The Peoples' Republic of China grants the right of residence to any foreign national persecuted for supporting a just cause, for taking part in revolutionary movements or for engaging in scientific activities." Even the gorilla junta in Chile has let its political prisoners (the tamer ones) go into exile. But Richard X. Armstrong, known to his comrades as "Red," a leader of the 14 reported in a letter to a prison periodical, *The Morning Sun*, "The two attorneys from the Justice Department told us that the government would see us dead before they would allow us to leave as political dissidents." Clearly China, the UN, and the signers of the Helsinki Accords have one idea about the meaning of human rights and governmental

responsibilities, and Jimmy Carter has another. And exploiting that is what the struggle of the Lucasville 14 is all about.

But it is also about using the contradictions between various levels of government and between different governments to push forward the revolutionary struggle. A very intense campaign was launched by the 14 in late November when Red Armstrong mailed one of his fingers to Patricia M. Derian, an Assistant Secretary of State in Washington who deals with human rights. Naturally, she freaked out. I mean, it isn't every day in the life of a staid and petit-bourgeois Washington bureaucrat that he or she gets a severed finger in the mail. But the conditions at Lucasville and the determination of the men fighting in there makes every form of protest and revolutionary rebellion justifiable. Patricia Derian, being a lackey, of course turned the finger over to the FBI, and they of course ran back to Lucasville to find out just why all this shit had come down. Red Armstrong reports that: "We told the FBI that we viewed the civil rights investigation as nothing more than a political ploy to cover up the true nature of the situation being protested, and that the Justice Department was and had been aware of the true situation upon which the protest was premised, for several months. We told the FBI to convey the message back to Washington that we cut off a second finger, on or before January 20th, 1978, unless the government adopted a positive position toward resolving the situation on or before that date. We further told the FBI that we would send the second finger, if cut off—to Griffin Bell..." What the FBI and Griffin Bell thought about this turn of events is not known. But on January 9th, David Cattano, another of the 14, cut off his finger, and tried to mail it to Bell. It was nabbed passing through the prison X-ray machine. The next day the Justice Department announced it was sending two of its attorneys to Lucasville.

After this the campaign mounted steadily. On February 6th, Jon Cummins cut off his small finger and tried to mail it to Carter. It too was intercepted. On February 21st, David Cattano cut off his second finger, and Donald Ferdinand also mailed a finger to Carter. Both apparently made it through the prison X-ray and to the White House, although the White House would not comment. On this same day Red Armstrong tried to sever another finger, but he was mauled by a gang of pigs, and stopped. Cattano and Armstrong were then thrown in the solitary section of the prison hospital and had their typewriters taken away, in an attempt to cut them off from the people and the press. But the story had already made it on to the CBS Evening News. Facing this situation the brothers launched a hunger strike which went on for 16 days.

That is the situation in Lucasville up to the present. The 14 are now mobilizing support on the streets and they are asking people to move to force Carter to live up to the Helsinki Accords. Even the slightest accommodation would bring liberation much closer to the thousands of political prisoners in America. The current im-

broglie between Carter and the Russians has them both very anxious to disprove the charges that they each violate their peoples' human rights. Of course, since both are reactionary dictatorships, they are both guilty of many crimes against their respective peoples. The USSR has jailed and persecuted the revolutionary ML left

themselves rather than serve another day.

The second important point about the Lucasville events is that the people involved have a clear and firm revolutionary commitment. After the Attica revolt, the bourgeois press tried to say that the demand for transportation to a non-imperialist country was merely the work of a few radicals and did not express the wishes of the radicals as a whole. The bourgeois press is forever telling people that there is no revolutionary movement behind the walls—just as some neurotics, gangsters and publicity hounds. But the level of struggle at Lucasville and the brothers' total refusal to compromise has turned many of these pig myths in-



in the USSR, the oppressed nationalities like the Georgians and Ukrainians, and people like Orlov. The US has established an even more long-lasting reputation for political persecution, and sheer sadism in its prisons. The brothers in Lucasville have correctly seen that this is the time to force the issue in the world arena, to cause maximum embarrassment and to get maximum leverage. They are succeeding. Andy Young was forced to meet with a delegation in Holland who pressed him about the Lucasville case. The extraordinary sacrifice of the 14 is providing an example of courage and making many people look at the prisons and wonder why people will go to the extreme of mutilating

to sawdust. Anyone who thinks the brothers are running down some jive should listen closely to Red Armstrong, who wrote the *Morning Sun* recently and said, "In essence we are political dissidents. We are trying to escape the entire dimension of capitalism. We are trying to scale the Berlin Wall from this side; we are trying to claw our way through the iron curtain of capitalism, and we are losing our fingers in the process, and it may well be that we lose our lives."

Among other groups, the Columbus Yippies have taken a very active role in the fight to free the 14. At a recent press conference, Steve Conliff made an open appeal for Kurt Waldheim,

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SEARCH FOR THE FLOOR

Uganda wi' da Wind

Records documenting a series of mysterious flights to Entebbe, Uganda by Atlanta Mayor Maynard Jackson were discovered by Justice Department officials currently investigating Jackson's activities as "Big Daddy" of Atlanta politics. Hidden away between a tattered volume of "Mein Kampf" and a well-thumbed copy of Machiavelli's "The Prince," these records indicate that Jackson made several hundred such flights which always departed and returned under cover of darkness.

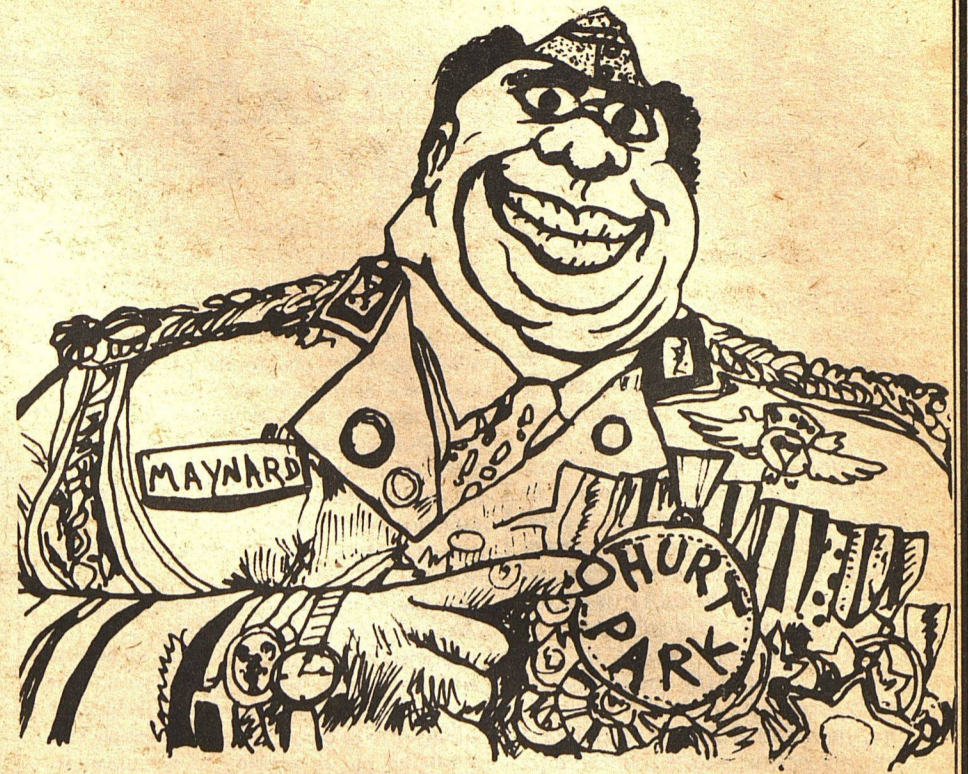
When this data was correlated by computer with known travel records of Uganda's Field Marshall and President for Life Idi Amin, it soon became apparent that each of the notorious Amin's frequent plane trips to destinations-unknown coincided exactly with Jackson's night-time return trips to Atlanta. Checking further into the matter, investigators shed more light on this seeming coincidence when they found that Jackson's night-time departures for destinations-unknown also matched up perfectly with Amin's return flights to Entebbe Airport in Uganda.

This revelation tends to support a growing suspicion of many Atlantans, who have become convinced that Idi

Amin and Maynard Jackson are actually one and the same person. Commuting from Uganda to Atlanta (and vice versa,) over the years has apparently exhausted 'Big Daddy' Jackson (as he is jovially referred to in Atlanta) to the point that he has made several embarrassing slip-ups while in office.

Atlantans still talk about the time Jackson announced plans to erect a towering statue of "Uncle Tom" in front of City Hall, plans which were quickly scuttled when 'Big Daddy's' advisors pointed out to him that Uncle Tom's roots had recently been traced back to Israel by Arthur N. Haley, noted genealogist.

This incident occurred the same



week that Amin appeared before the United Nations demanding the "extinction of Israel as a state." Interestingly enough, Jackson was in New York City that same day, purportedly for a "body-lift." Jackson also postponed plans to stock the nearby Chattahoochee River with crocodiles for "ecological purposes" upon his return to Atlanta.

More clues which neatly fit the developing scenario of a schizophrenic, power-mad politician followed, as the focus of the Justice Department investigation shifted quickly. Dozens of empty cases marked "tetracycline" found lying directly under a window of the Mayor's office, for instance, provided more evidence that Idi Amin and Maynard Jackson share more than just dreams of glory and total political power.

Jackson's response to accusations of police brutality and violation of the civil rights of demonstrators at a CAMP (Coalition for the Abolition of Marijuana Prohibition)-sponsored Smoke-In in early April, took on new dimensions in light of these findings. 'Big Daddy' had said that protestors were injured as a result of a car crash while attempting to escape policemen on the scene. "The accident was a punishment of God, because God

doesn't want people to smoke pot." Jackson casually explained.

This might explain the fact that CAMP representatives were required to kneel before Jackson at a meeting at City Hall to discuss these accusations. Several Atlanta journalists have also begun to wonder out loud if this might explain the circus-like atmosphere of the Mayor's latest news conference, during which reporters had to carry 'Big Daddy' around City Hall three times while he sat atop a heavy wooden sedan chair high in the air.

Though this is Jackson's last term as Mayor, his political aspirations definitely do not end here. When asked by this reporter in what direction Jackson might travel in his political future, he was quick to reply, "I would love to be the King of the United States. I love Jimmy Carter, but if the American people want me, I will come there and be King."

While a statement by the Mayor's office Thursday emphatically denied allegations that Maynard Jackson is actually Idi Amin, the question was raised anew after the same two narcs re-arrested CAMP spokesman Shay D. Addams June 7th for *using his own name*—and identified themselves as "State Research Bureau".

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dent has been recorded and submitted against Lewisburg Warden Charles Fenton, but U.S. administrative authorities have whitewashed and supported his actions. What has been said about Fenton here in this letter is only a drop in the bucket, compared to the environment of terror and hate that he generates.

If, as in this case, the U.S. government will support the abuse of authority of a madman over prisoners, it will support the abuse of authority of a madman over the "free" citizen. How soon we forget the "Nixon years." Perhaps prisoners have become more politically aware than the free citizen. We cannot forgive. We will not forget the atrocities of Charlie "Axe-handle" Fenton.

We ask that Charles Fenton and his henchmen be suspended and prosecuted for felony assault without provocation. We ask you to send letters of inquiry and accusation to the following authorities: your United States Representative or Senator. Griffin Bell, Attorney General of the United States, Dept. of Justice, Washington, D.C.; Norman Carlson, Bureau of Prisons, Dept. of Justice, Washington D.C.

Many people who ought to know better consider Federal prison to be an easier place to do time. It is not. The advanced political consciousness that has emerged out of places like Atlanta, Marion, Leavenworth, and McNeil Island (not to mention the combative support groups that have emerged in support of the brothers in these joints) is a clear and present threat to the entire prison system. While some people

may think that we have entered into a period of liberal relaxation, the most oppressed people in any society, the prisoners, know that the reality is much different. Make no mistake about it, the repression coming down inside is a clear look of the reality of tomorrow on the streets. The movement inside has built and is building a strong infrastructure and the advanced political consciousness that are prerequisites for revolutionary survival in a period of increasing repression. There are some people who dismiss this analysis as being a result of the pressure and tensions of being in prison (an assumption more than slightly racist and petit-bourgeois). But the truth is that our comrades inside have a much greater advantage in that they often have the time and the burning commitment to study the dynamics of this society very carefully. This is why their analysis is so important to us. Events since the last YIP Congress in March have been unfolding quicker than many can keep up with them. Those who said at the conference that the prisoners movement was a minor phenomenon are now confronted with the mass demonstrations and media coverage for previously unknown political prisoners. Those who thought that Carter was moving towards a rapprochement with ex-radicals and left leaning cultural figures have seen Carter send David Truong, who was an obvious candidate for such an approach, to prison, possibly for the rest of his life. We have seen city after city

reject gay rights ordinances, even formerly liberal places like Eugene, Oregon. We have seen the Supreme Court strip OHSAs of all effective power it might have had, in a court case brought by an admitted member of the John Birch Society. In the ghettos and barrios we are seeing more and more crude examples of the racist genocide of the pigs, the ease with which they get away with murder, and the new and hot outcries for a restoration of the death penalty, against the people resisting the pigs. And the pattern keeps going. It is clear that the same thing is going down in the prison movement. The would-be leaders of the CPUSA are seeing some of their cause celebres being seized by more militant and revolutionary forces. Revolutionary violence is increasing in many prisons. Major political trials and appeals—the Harrises, Imani, Jomo, the Seattle guerrillas, the Prairie Fire people—are coming up soon. Only a fool or a traitor would counsel restraint and patience to the

revolutionary prisoners movement at this point in time. Now is the time to go to the people and to fight for the dragons and to show up the repressive features of American fascism under Carter. Then we shall achieve the unity of the pamphlet and the silence that George Jackson counselled so forcefully. The Atlanta migration does not show the prisoners movement as being weak, confused, or without direction or impetus to fight. Neither does Andy Bruce, Jomo, or the Lucasville 14. What they show us is a movement on the rebound. We should all remember what George said: "The liberalist slogan 'You can't get ahead of the people' is meaningless. From what other position can one lead? From the rear? Rearguard leadership? A typical Yankee innovation. I think most of these irresponsible excuse-slogans are based on dread—a secret wish to avoid the discomfitures of people's war." And that is where it's at.

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because it will become illegal to take any action without committing conspiracy. THERE WILL BE NO MORE PUBLIC VOICE.

The Congress has been rendered powerless to act on these bills in an objective way. Instead of speaking out they have remained silent, but then, Watergate, Koreagate, and privileged justice have stilled their mouths. Recession, inflation, unemployment, high political and corporate corruption (bribes,) rising taxes and the massive breaking of the law by Federal police agencies, have put the people of America into hard times. We look around and we see the spirit of the people to be suffering. Greed and irrationality have produced a harshness that is hurting the spirit of the people. Now there is legislation to end the rights of the people.

The Federal Government has no concern for the rights of the people. The Constitution of the US is no more than a treaty between the American people and their government. The Constitution guaranteed the rights of the people. That is the treaty. That is the law. Recession, inflation, excessive

taxation and repressive legislation are all violations of that treaty, the Constitution. Look at how technology and progress have shifted the peoples' constitutional rights away from the people and aligned these same rights with the corporate interests and government itself. We are concerned about this attitude of exploitation that does not recognize respect and honor as being a part of our daily needs.

The Federal Government entered into legal agreements with the Indian peoples nations during the history of our peoples. These legal agreements (treaties) are laws. The government has continuously violated these treaties, broken the law. Currently there are 10 bills in Congress that are a continuation of that law breaking. If America is to be a nation of laws, then all the laws must be honored. We have no quarrel with the people of this area, we only want to express our concern about the treaties. The treaties guarantee the human rights of our people, the treaties are our Constitution. We know if we do not speak our minds now, our coming generations will not be permitted to. We are walking to Washington because we want the treaties honored. We walk with the sacred pipe. We walk to rebuild, not to destroy. We walk to be heard. We wish to travel in peace. We do not want nor need any trouble with the

people of this area nor their law enforcement agencies. Our differences are with the Federal Government. WE PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE.

The People of the Longest Walk

For a better understanding of the bills, the following is a brief summary of eleven of the damaging bills;

HR 9054—Cunningham, WA—**Native Americans Equal Opportunity Act of 1977.** This act will *abrogate all treaties, take away our culture, lifestyles, customs which our forefathers gave us. It will close down all Indian hospitals, schools, and housing projects. Hunting and fishing will end. Water rights and land will be stolen. All reservations will no longer exist. It is an end to the sovereign relationship between Indian nations and the federal government.*

HR 9950—Meeds, WA—**The Omnibus Indian Jurisdiction Act of 1977.** This act *removes all tribal jurisdiction over non-Indians and it limits the power of tribal jurisdiction over members of the tribe. Indian nations would be forced to deal with individual state governments.*

HR 9951—Meeds, WA—**Quantification of Federal Reserved Water Rights for Indian Reservations Act.** This act

extinguishes all aboriginal rights to the use of water for Indian people. An Indian would have to accept what is given him. Water would be quantified into the amount the state feels the reservation is entitled to.

HR 9736—Cunningham, WA—**Steelhead Trout Protection Act.** This act *will take away one of Indian peoples means of survival. Indian nations depend on commercial fishing as a means of support. This act will stop Indians from catching steelhead trout and selling them commercially.*

HR 9175—Cunningham, WA—**Washington State Fishing and Hunting Equal Rights Act.** This act *will provide Washington State complete control over all Indians hunting and fishing off reservations. Indians would have to buy license or permit to fish or hunt.*

HR 4169—Cohen and Emery, ME—**SB 842 Hathaway and Muskie, ME—State of Maine Aboriginal Claims Act of 1977.** Over 40 % of Maine belongs to the Penobscot and Passamaquoddy Indian tribes. This act *will extinguish all titles and interests in land and water rights. The Indians are claiming only the undeveloped part of Maine. No land will be returned. A monetary payment would be substituted for land.*

HR 9906—Walsh, NY—**State of New York Aboriginal Claims Act of 1977.** This act *will extinguish all titles to land and water in New York, which belongs to the Oneida, Cayuga, Saint Regis Mohawk, Onondaga, and the Seneca Indian Tribes. No land will be returned; a monetary payment would be substituted for land.*

HR 10246—Walsh, NY—**State of New York Indian Claims Act of 1977.** Same as 9906 except title.

HJR 1—Meeds Bonker, Dicks, Pritchard, Foley and McCormack—**A joint resolution relating to Northwest Indian off-reservation fishing rights.** This resolution *is mainly against off-reservation fishing for Indian tribes in the states of Oregon and Washington. Indian people won't be able to eat fish or sell commercially for a livelihood.*

HJR 206—Dingle, MI—**Joint resolution relating to regulation by the states of certain Indian hunting and fishing rights.** This will *keep Indians from fishing and hunting off the reservations, except when the state sets the time. If we let this happen many Indian people will go hungry for lack of food.* **H.J.R. 522**—Ruppe—Same as 206, except author.

SB 1437 (Same—H.R. 6869) Criminal Code Reform Act of 1977.—Kennedy, MA—This is *a threat to the freedom of everyone including the right to expression. This is a threat to the Bill of Rights by prohibiting the freedom of speech, or the grievances such as demonstrating against the war. This legislation would be increased on reservations, and major crimes would be increased from 13 to 21. It would abolish the distinction between federal enclaves and Indian reservations, also abolishes all previous treaties between Indian nations and the federal government. This bill has passed the Senate, taking 5 days and is now in the House as HR 6869.*

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head of the U.N., to send independent observers into Lucasville to protect the prisoners there. Conliff also reiterated his promise to free all prisoners in Ohio when he is elected. In Washington D.C., the *Morning Sun*, a revolutionary organ for the political prisoners of the world, has made the case of the 14 the main blow of its campaign for the liberation of prisoners in the next period. In Europe, Hapotoc, an anti-torture group has been very active. It was they who organized the confrontation with Andy Young. But, sadly enough, many other radical groups have

chosen to ignore the case and concentrate on 'safer' prisoners, like the Wilmington 10, or the traitor dope-fiend Huey Newton. There exists a real tendency in the white North American left to brush off the cases of relatively unknown political prisoners, especially when they are more revolutionary-inspired than people on the streets, and to concentrate on a few 'safe' 'superstars' instead. But as the was of the bourgeoisie against the revolutionary prisoners' movement escalates this jive liberal attitude is becoming more and more blatantly counter-revolutionary, and the people pushing it are a serious impediment to springing anyone. They have no place in this movement, but their influence (the size of their wallets...) is still extensive.

Like Carter, like the Lucasville

bureaucrats, like Rhodes, their petit-bourgeois sensibilities are offended by such upfront action as cutting ones own finger off. Being in the presence of men and women who fear nothing, and who are willing to make any sacrifice to attain liberation, some people grow timid and back away. They mutter excuses about "not really a political case," "more important work to do," "haven't studied it enough," etcetera. But these peoples main problem was accurately summed up by Lenin when he wrote: "The movement of the liberal bourgeoisie, on the contrary, and for the same reasons (i.e., by virtue of the essential peculiarities of the bourgeoisie's position,) has a tendency towards compromise instead of struggle, towards opportunism instead of radicalism."

"If you want crazies, go talk to the fucking Yippies"

said NORML Director Keith Stroup to the *Washington Post*, April 10th, complaining about the high incidence of people who glom onto him, wanting to talk about taking LSD and seeing God.

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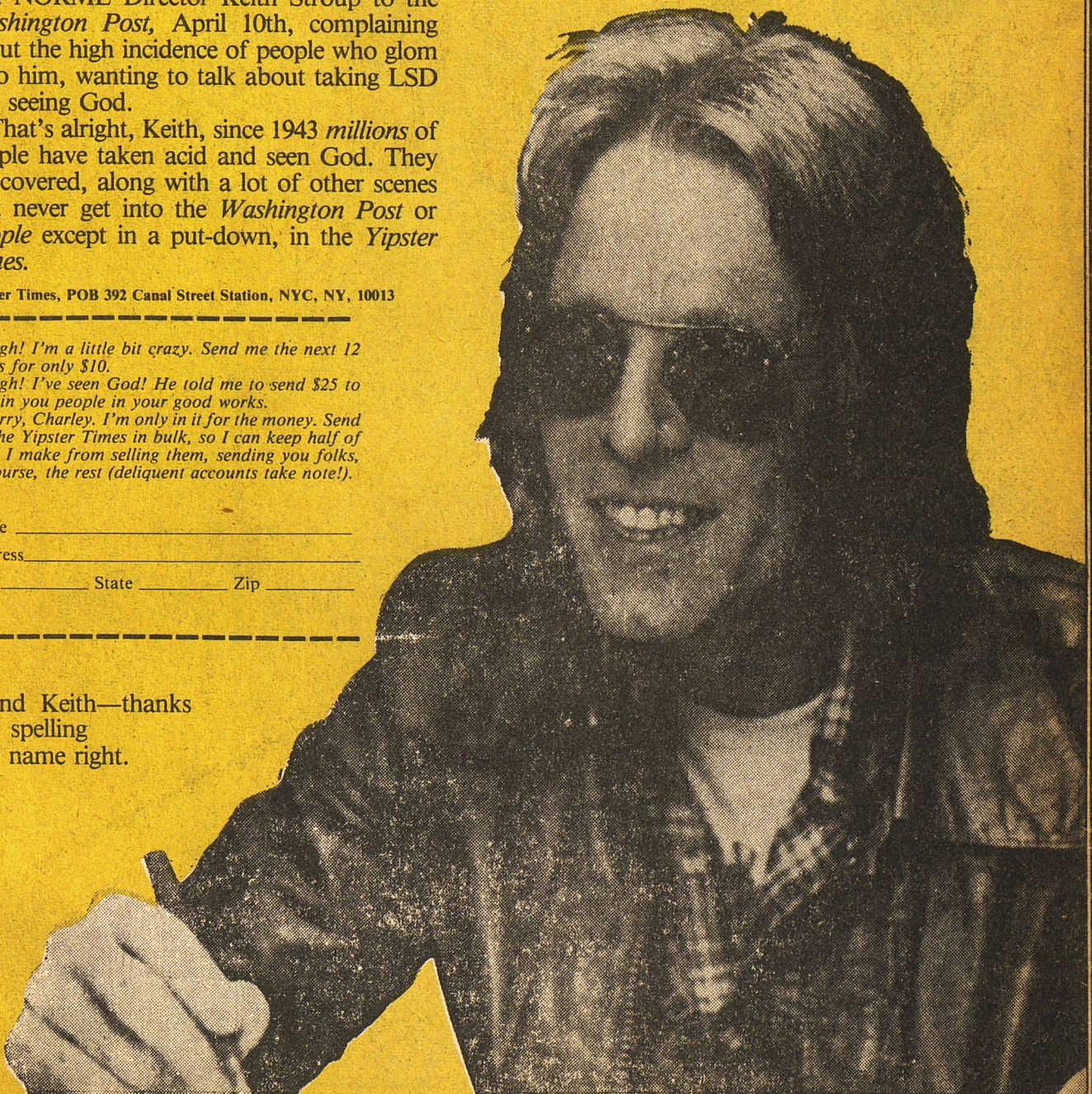
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