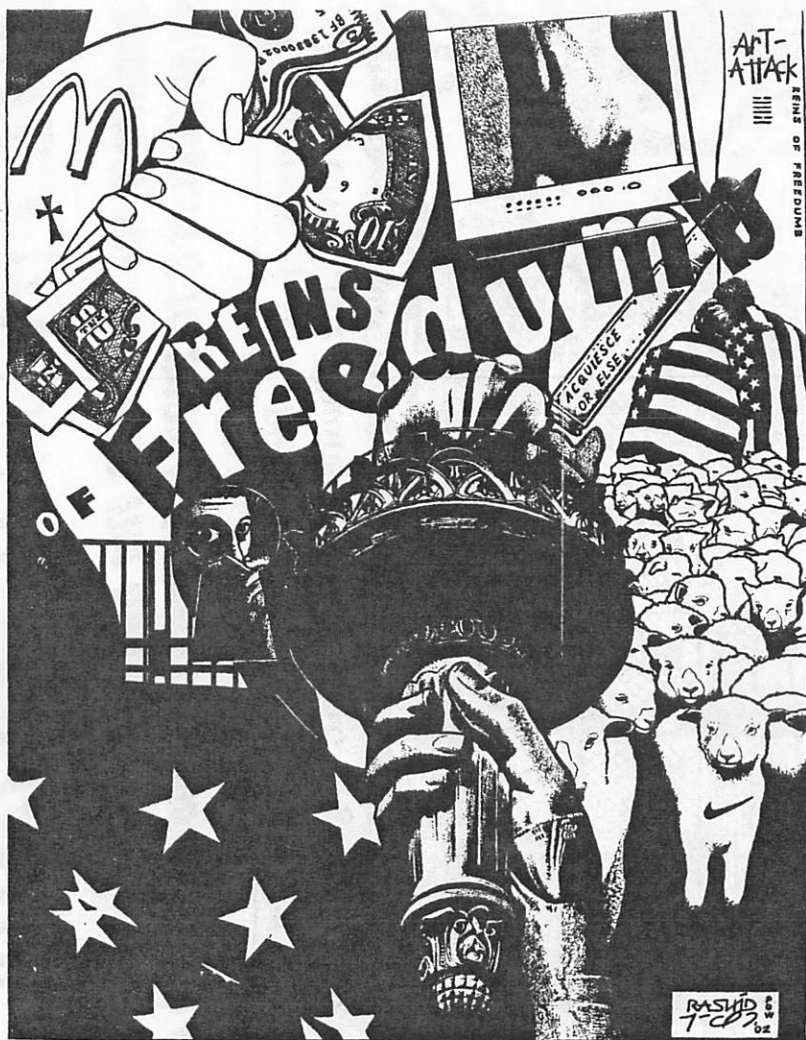




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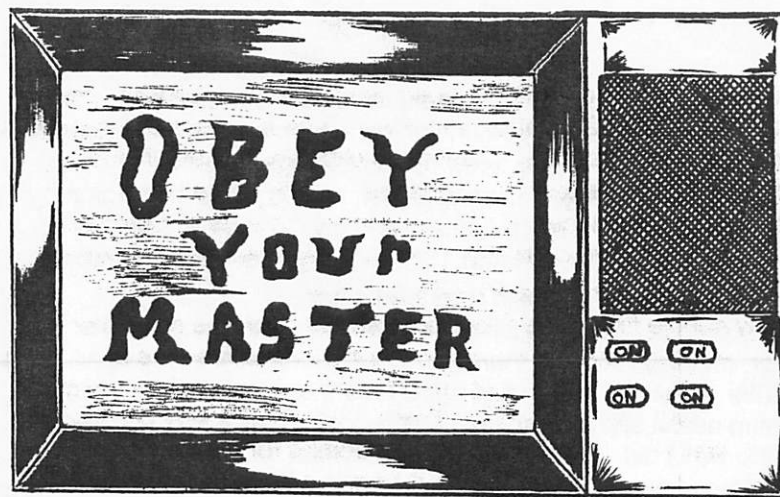
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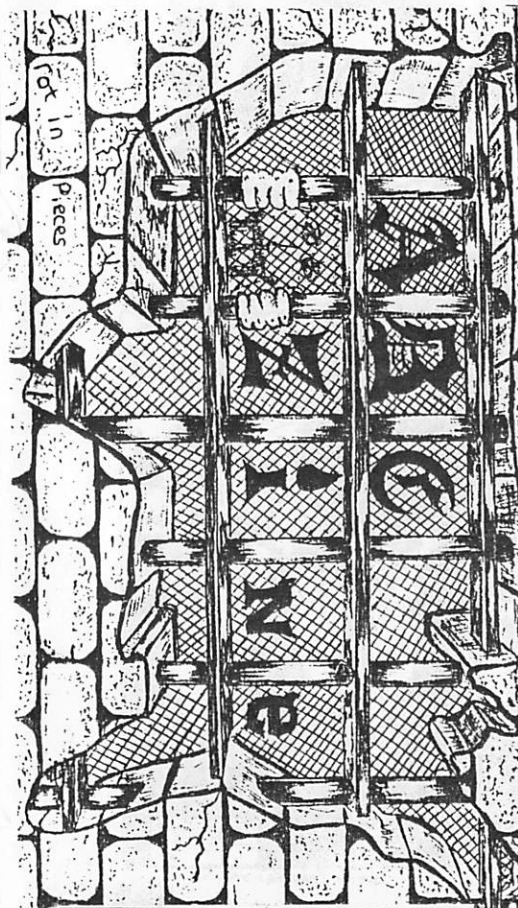
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A manifesto for the Break The Chains Conference, to be held on August 8-10, 2003, University of Oregon, Eugene, OR.

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INTRODUCTION

Greetings! Well, here is the latest assault to your senses - maybe the last. I've done 22 of these, including a couple of splits. There are a few rants, some graphics, a few news clippings, an email account of Lionel's arrest, a letter from a prisoner, a long piece on religion by James Bauhaus, a piece on Vietnam and my College of Complexes Address, which I gave on March 15th, two days before the bombs rained down on Baghdad and throughout Iraq.

Many people find these zines objectionable for one reason or another, although none of them have really interviewed me at all. Lots of regular people, in and out of prison like them, appreciate them and find them useful and refreshing. That's cool. That's why I crafted them the way I did. It's called Thought Bombs for a reason. With so little outrage being voiced, I thought I'd shout it out - be an anarchist!

After the latest round of genocide, the hideous lies and the glorying in both, it makes my ranting and raving seem so tame. My aggressive advocacy and organizing efforts pretty much have fallen on deaf ears. I tried to will people to become organized - something they obviously are not really all that willing to do, at least not in ways I had hoped.

The State has been really been hassling me, lately. My neighbors are having their homes bulldozed for an unwanted, unneeded airport. My workplace was shutdown on March 19th and I was transferred to a morbid place of nonstop work, less pay and much harassment. I feel like I'm being stalked. I guess their intent is to get me fired.

Important prisoners, such as Kevin (Rashid) Johnson and Andy (John Two-Names) Riendeau have been slammed for collaborating with me and my distro is being targetted as a subversive "cell." A comrade, George Brewton, aged forty, was recently killed in a dreadful construction accident. A lifelong friend committed suicide by overdose to avoid returning to prison for a b.s. parole violation.

So, I'm sort of shell-shocked (like a lot of people, lately.) My time has been severely strained and I've lost a lot of time that I had used to craft zines with. I'll have to scale way back, unfortunately. But, some good things have happened the last few months, too. Eraina Dunn, a loving, dedicated community organizer from Harvey, got married, shortly before Christmas. Richard Flood won his appeal and may be freed soon and my family is doing well and we're all pretty healthy.

I've crafted several powerful zines the last few months. The one by Rashid, is particularly impressive, in my opinion. John (Two-Names) did a great zine focusing on his situation and that of Sekou Kambui and other Alabama prisoners. Eugene Dey and I worked on a terrific zine about the California "three strikes," the drug war, hepatitis and many other issues. I'm proud to have edited one called Prisoners' Speak! So, I guess I'll adjust and continue to be an active anarchist.

These are West Coast political prisoners. They are in prison for taking action to stop the oppressive practices of fascist organizations, government institutions, or corporate enterprises.

Marilyn Buck #004-285, Unit B, 5701 8th St., Camp Parks, Dublin, CA 94568.

Serving 50 years-to-life for revolutionary actions taken after she escaped prison, including an armed robbery of a Brink's armored truck and the liberation of Assata Shakur from prison.

James Johnson #8952263, SRCI, 777 Stanton Blvd. Ontario, OR 97914.

Shortly after he was incarcerated as a social prisoner, James became very active in anti-authoritarian resistance in Oregon prisons and has been met with brutal repression from the prison authority ever since.

Matt Lament #2057039, 550 N. Flower St., Santa Ana, CA 92703.

Anarchist arrested based on flimsy circumstantial evidence for allegedly planning to commit an arson attack against a white power group. He's presently awaiting trial.

Jeffrey Luers #13797671, OSP, 2605 State St. Salem, OR 97310.

Serving an absurd sentence of 22+ years for a minor arson at a Eugene car-dealership. The action was in protest of the destruction of the environment.

Craig Marshall #13797662, SRCI, 777 Stanton Blvd. Ontario, OR 97914.

Serving a five year sentence for setting fire to Sports Utility Vehicles at a Eugene car-dealership to protest capitalism and ecological destruction.

Ruchell Cinque McGee #A-92051, PO Box 7500, SHU-2-C-233, Crescent City, CA 95531.

Serving Life for an armed court-house action to free detained Black liberation activists.

Robert Muddaugh T41137, Bldg. 410 23up, P.O. Box 8, Avenal, CA 93204.

Serving three years for an assault on a violent LA cop during a 2001 May Day action in Long Beach, CA.

Brian McCarvill #11037967, O.S.P. 2605 State St., Salem, OR 97310.

Social prisoner whose active in fighting prison fascism and building an anti-authoritarian prison movement.

Gerardo Hernandez #58739-004, USP-Lompoc, 3901 Klein Blvd., Lompoc, CA 93436.

One of the "Cuban Five" - five Cuban citizens who came to the US to monitor right-wing terrorist organizations and were imprisoned on bunk espionage charges.

Sara Olson W94197, 506-27-1 Low, CCWF - PO Box 1508, Chowchilla, CA 93610-1508.

Serving 20 years for clandestine actions related to the now defunct Symbionese Liberation Army in the mid-70s. Her and other former SLA associates were recently captured by the authorities and are now being punished for crimes they supposedly committed decades ago.

Iawahnes Sahme #11186353, TRCI, 82911 Beach Access Rd., Umatilla, OR 97882.

American Indian social prisoner-turned dedicated activist. His sentence was lengthened after he participated in a jailhouse rebellion to stop religious persecution against Indian inmates and to win more educational programs for all Oregon prisoners.

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Robert Thaxton #12112716, OSP, 2605 State St. Salem, OR 97310.

Longtime anarchist sentenced to 7+ years for hitting a notoriously racist cop with a rock during the June 18, 1999, Reclaim The Streets protest-turned-insurrection in Eugene.

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Social prisoner-turned revolutionary. His sentence was lengthened after he participated in a jailhouse rebellion to stop religious persecution against Indian inmates and to win more educational programs for all Oregon prisoners.

Richard Williams #10377-016, USP-Lompoc, 3901 Klein Blvd., Lompoc, CA 93436.

Serving hard time for actions on behalf of the United Freedom Front. The UFF carried out clandestine actions against the US government and in solidarity with revolutionary movements in the 80s.

Support Byron Shane Chubbuck!

Byron Shane Chubbuck, AKA Oso Blanco, is currently serving 80 years at Leavenworth Federal Pen. for aggravated assault on Federal Agents, escape and bank robbery. Chubbuck, also known as Robin the Hood by authorities, was robbing banks to funnel money to the Zapatista National Liberation Army in Chiapas, Mexico, during 1988 and 1999. After being caught in late 1999, Chubbuck escaped from a prison van in New Mexico (his home state) and almost immediately began knocking off banks again. Chubbuck, who was well known as a polite and courteous robber and never carried a gun, was recaptured in 2001 during a shoot out with police. The police, apparently, had discovered his whereabouts after Chubbuck attempted to contact a radio show host to speak out about indigenous rights and the treatment of prisoners. In an newspaper interview, Chubbuck claimed "I am still able to hold my head up and feel the gratification for my work in a world where money, power and destructive industry are regarded far above humanity, indigenous and impoverished peoples and cultures. I cannot help that I got into my work." For more info, write directly to:

Byron Shane Chubbuck #07909051, USP, PO Box 1000, Leavenworth, KS 66048.

The Screws are staring at me perplexed.
Many of them hope (if their eyes tell the truth) that I will die. If need be, I'll oblige them, but my God they are fools. Oscar Wilde did not do justice to them for I believe they are lower than even he thought. And I may add there is only one thing lower than a Screw and that is a Governor. And in my experience the higher one goes up that disgusting ladder they call rank, or position, the lower one gets...
- Bobby Sands, Irish political prisoner who died on hunger strike.

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You know when a plane crashes there's usually not much left. Sometimes people do survive to live another day. But, what about a society that one by one in an endless daily parade in countless courtrooms across the country, actually abducts their own people? Then they are handcuffed and escorted into a cell and incorporated into a vast, crowded ever-expanding gulag system! What then?

Who's gonna bring that paycheck home? Who's gonna be the parent for those children? Who's gonna read to them, play with them, be with them, take them to do stuff and sleep in the house and keep it safe?

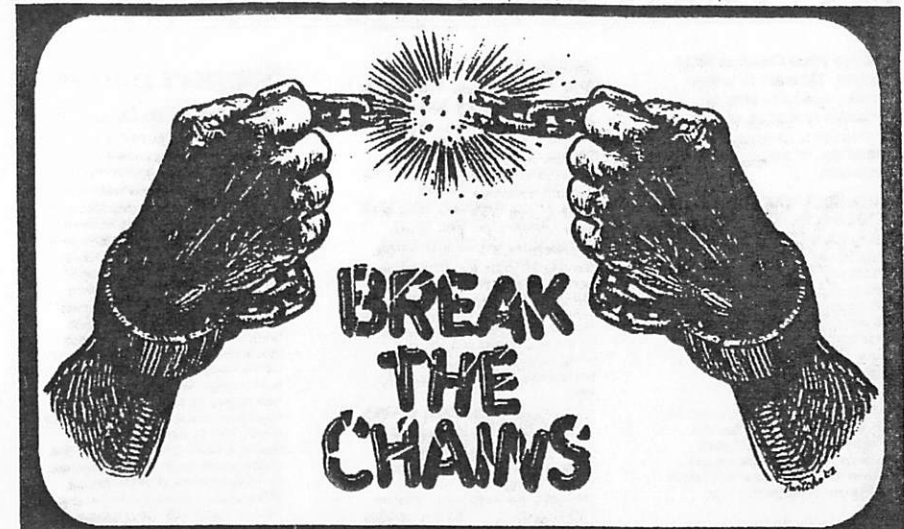
How is all this bitterness going to manifest itself? How far will the judicial corruption, with the lamprey lawyers, smarmy prosecutors, nazi jail guards and godawful judges, go? What will be the extent of the lack of shame the politicians feel as they're yanked and jangled by their corporate string pullers? How hellish, confining flag-wavin' and ritalinized must the schools become? How robot monstrous will the police get? How young will the kids in jail be? Newborn?

How about the food? Besides breeding a population of mindless obese sheep (while the world starves!) how genetically modified will our cells become? Will we still be ourselves - our real selves or just soulless "living" coordinated body parts! Ask your clone!

Water!! Where's that gonna come from - a complicated machine? In a plastic bottle?

How much global suffering are we gonna allow ourselves to stupidly cheer for to satiate the Stalinesque bloodlust of our billionaire "leaders" before we stop ourselves and point towards living a genuine life in resistance to this!? How much daily predation can we take?

Remember Peace Prize winners Jimmy Carter and Henry Kissinger, who helped to slaughter half of the people of East Timor!? During one



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The Inseparable Earth and Animal Liberation Movements - By Craig Marshall

My intent for writing this brief article is to explain what I feel is the inseparability of the animal and earth liberation movements. I would like to think that the connection between these movements and the struggle against an ever increasingly technological society would also be painfully obvious, but I fear this is not for so many.

No matter how many animals are rescued, no matter how many trees are saved; if the current technological state progresses or even carries on at the rate it is currently destroying the ecosystems all life depends on, life on this planet is doomed. Civilization as we know it depends on the domination and exploitation of every type of "resource" (whether living or habitat for the living) and can not exist without such exploitation. Humans were once mostly nomadic, with few exceptions, only settling into permanent villages as plants and animals were domesticated. The exploitation of these life forms allowed the populations of these beginnings of civilization to increase which in turn called for the "need" to further exploit the plant and animal populations and the ecosystems which these life forms need to survive.

Flash 10,000 years into the future...today. There are very few places on earth where humans have not tried to and for the most part succeeded in forming some dominating relationship over the life forms which dwell there. The vast majority of the so-called civilized world has been scarred and/or covered over with concrete. The current rule of existence rivals that of the dinosaurs, while saving a particular grove of trees or all the hostages of a particular farm is a noble cause, it is like trying to use a band aid on a fucking chest wound.

If we could save every animal in the world from suffering in factory farms and labs, in the long run, what good would it do if there was no wild places left to free them into? Conversely, what would be the point of protecting the last wild spaces if the animals were all domesticated - their wild spirits broken? These struggles are inseparable. All the different aspects of civilization conspire against all that is wild. It is the totality of it - not just one element, that dooms life...that is, if we allow it to continue unabated.

Our struggles can not ever hope to be effective as long as we each only focus on one aspect of the dis-ease of civilization. We must attack the totality of it every single day. We must be relentless in our struggle - for civilization is ever progressing on its death march and we can not allow it to continue to trample over every existing life form. We must challenge the assumptions that are integral to the everyday existence of industrial society. We must attack the hubs of the wheel of oppression. The majority of people fighting for the liberation of one life form unknowingly or unthinkingly support the oppression of many others everyday. No? Well then its safe to assume you don't use electricity? I do realize there are necessary evils if we want to be effective in our struggles, such as the use of petro-fuels in igniting huge bonfires in which we can watch corporations go bankrupt, but we must be aware of the negative impacts our actions (and tools) have on ecosystems (both local and distant). I hope I don't sound as if I'm condemning these activities - by all means, burn the fuckers to the ground - just be aware. We can not carry on with our lives in the manner those who condone civilization (and its inherent destructiveness) have taught us and ever expect to end any form of domination. Civilization from its inception has been rooted in domination - it's dependent on it for its continued survival.

We can continue to debate each other about which beings' oppression is most valid to fight against, or maybe we should realize single issue politics feed into the divide and conquer of our movement(s). Each of us must face the totality and decide whether we want to continue to strike at the fingers of the beast that has all life in a chokehold, or if we need to, strike at the head. Don't get me wrong - biting off one of these fingers is never a bad thing, but unless it is part of a larger strategy it is not going to put an end to the human domination of animals and nature.

We will never succeed in convincing corporate interests to stop the exploitation of animals and the earth - it is against their "nature." We want to protect life at all costs; they want to protect a way of life no matter what the cost. Their job is to make as much money as possible regardless of the suffering. Our job is to put the bastards out of business because of the suffering.

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around the world by those who know about these things, as being of a unique importance. This flow of adamant anarchist thinking and organizing will continue, develop and be increasingly more effective. Chicago-style plainspoken struggle is most desirable! 56

I will continue to stock infoshops with prisoner and/or anarchist zines and keep doing what I can to educate, motivate and empower people - inside and out - into becoming more active partisans in this international war. I'll help organize meetings, demonstrations, publications to raise issues and speak the truth.

This war is not a war of "democracy" versus "terrorism." It's a war of fascist globalization against the people of the world. Far and away, the biggest terrorists are given their assignments by governments - especially you know who! At this time of blatant repression and witch hunt hysteria against any dissent, it is especially important to stand up to the irrational wave of patriotic obsessiveness. Speak the truth and fight for life! Stop the War!

We need to work with extra determination and dedication in a spirit of genuine solidarity. In these perilous times, people respond to the call for peace and justice knowingly and we can't dissipate our energies sniping at other groups we may have disagreements with. The watchword should be, "Let's work with whoever is willing to get the job done!" It's necessary and besides it is interesting and fun working with new people who share your sense of commitment.

The next network conference will be held in Eugene, Oregon in August. I'll give a presentation for that conference, I'm sure. Our advocacy for universal liberation is gaining strength, as more people become aware of our growing media outlets and realize what we are saying is all too true. Prisoners help spread the word enormously, both inside and to their outside contacts, which is one reason that the prisonrats have stepped up their repression on them. Gulag censor trolls are falling all over themselves censoring mail, tampering with it, stealing stamps, publications and money from prisoners. Many have been transferred to harsher units and prisons and been punished extra for being a part of this movement. Nonetheless, they

continue to provide insightful analysis and incredible artwork to capture the essence of this struggle as only they are able to do. I'm extremely lucky to be collaborating with such talented comrades.

It's really something! I find myself developing nicely as a sort of roving free skool educator on many subjects that the world so desperately needs to understand and yet, I have to factor in the realization that I am considered by the authorities as a sort of "terrorist!" The truth is terrible all right, but must be said, plain and simple. No matter, I will continue to blurt out the undiluted truth!

Thanks for listening to me tonight. Any questions?

machine-gunning of a massive demonstration, the people just plain kept moving forward, anyway! 5 They finally had nothing left to lose!

Americans have to stop Amerika! The war is on *this* soil, too! It's not just Vietnam or El Salvador where the vultures are gorging on hacked up bodies! You either have to resolve to

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RALLY ORGANIZER ROBERT EBRIGHT

fight or else you'll just stay "white."

Bush is right. You're either with him or against him! Join the army or join the underground! Because if you just sit around and watch Jay Leno, you're with him. The blood of the murdered is splattered on you too because you didn't do a damned thing to stop it! May your hoped-for afterlife consist of the screaming-in-your-ear sound of tortured murder victims, done so wrong by those you've supported by your gutless acquiescence and abject poverty of an existence! Earn your salt before you die!

Arrest Friday March 21, 8:15 am near Jackson and Dearborn, Chicago

-Lionel Trepanier

8:00 a.m., March 21, 2003, near Jackson and Dearborn, Chicago.

I and a recent acquaintance held a 'No more War on Iraq' banner at about 8 a.m. on Friday March 21st near Federal Plaza in Chicago. There is Anti-war talk and pro-peace music accompanied by parades outside this Federal office complex.

I see a group of persons lay down nearby, many are covered with messages on cloth patches. Police and Federal contractors begin to close a fence against me and a Chicago police officer points toward the bodies on the sidewalk and says 'go'. He gets next to me and knocks me to the ground. I was cuffed with plastic restraints and laid face down. I lifted up and loudly objected when a male police officer lifted a female and unzipped her clothing. "Don't open that woman's clothing.", I said. Then a 'peace?' officer dressed in black tells the offending officer 'take him', pointing to me.

Police, who had just wrongly knock me down and failed to inquire my medical condition and then targeted me for speaking against their humiliating behavior, ordered me to 'get up and walk'. These officers were clearly frightening and bullying not just me, but attacking the very right to dissent. I could not and will not 'walk' for these usurpers of liberty; be they in the white house or blue. I was carried over top of protesters by dozens, threatened with severe bodily harm, and packed in a 'paddy wagon' of compatriots, some already good friends and more to become so.

We were in the paddy wagon, containing twenty people, from about 8:30 am to 1:30 p.m. Together successfully we demanded the officers adjust cuffs on one gentleman who was suffering the numbness of 'handcuff injury'; a nerve damage in either or both thumbs and fingers.



FIGHT, CONTEND!

I also edited, published and distributed the Network's first publication, ABC Network Zine #1. I brought several of these zines. 55

The Chicago ABC chapter organized a support rally and march on October 20th at Cook County Jail, which saw several groups represented and was much appreciated by the prisoners warehoused there. We've been very active supporting Chicago political prisoner Richard M. Flood and other Midwestern prisoners.

Richard Flood is a dear friend of mine who was sentenced to ten years in prison last September for the "crime" of rescuing his wife from a dangerous assault by three crack-addled assailants down in Crete, in Will County. At one point they offered him a "deal" that if he pled "guilty," he would have been freed by Christmas of 2001. Guilt and innocence are irrelevant to these evil judges and prosecutors. They are into ruining peoples lives - especially if they have a history of challenging the system. His wife and five teenaged children live down by me in the Peotone Airport "footprint." Recently, their youngest daughter, who goes to the same junior high as my own son, tried to commit suicide, so distraught is she by the loss of her father. I have a powerful 80 - paged zine detailing Richard's case, showcasing his brilliant political analysis and detailing the Cook County Jail rally.

Many zines dealing in depth with these and other cases have been published by me and are available through my distro. Chicago ABC people were also prominently involved in the protests in December, when the capitalists met in Chicago and Daley responded with a force of 2,000 police! The one person arrested that day was an animal rights anarchist, charged of course, with "cruelty to animals!" The cops made their poor horses were these disorienting shields, which spooked some of them, as they were pushed upon the crowds. Mike, the vegan animal rights guy didn't so much as touch a horse, but his case is still dragging on.

Several new chapters have been started and nurtured along by information and mentoring provided by Chicago ABC and other chapters. These are in places like Wisconsin, Lawrence Kansas, Atlanta Georgia, St. Louis Missouri and other places. New collectives are springing up in places like Costa Rica, Puerto Rico, Argentina and elsewhere. It's part of the growing international resistance to capitalism and more specifically, the punishment industry. We are prison abolitionists and have taken these arguments to the next level. Like the Iraqi people, prisoners are not our enemy!

The Chicago ABC Zine #1 is a potent tract that has given hope and empowerment to prisoners and strong arguments for activists. It has an extensive contact list to help knit the struggle along. Although the Chicago anarchist scene is far smaller than it should be, it is recognized as an intensely active and articulate one. Indeed, the serious work being done here in Chicago is recognized

and Gary to Joliet are involved to articulate the issues from a citizen's point of view, not beholden to any politician or business interest. We have many projects we are working on, such as a Southside Stolen Lives chapter, which is composed of family members of those murdered by the authorities in the streets and in the gulags. We're going to launch a monthly newspaper, entitled *Illinois News*. James Taylor, who edits the third largest black newspaper in Illinois, *City News*, out of Kankakee, will edit it.

We had a well-attended meeting at a Baptist church in Robbins on March 1st and will hold citizen forums in several towns and work on many issues that concern the people down there. This is a high-octane group of thinkers and doers. To me, it is the effervescence of life to collaborate with such exceptional and wonderful people!

Also, I've been a main organizer for the now, weekly anti-war demonstration held in front of a gas station in Park Forest. There was a big, front page story on us and others in the *Daily Southtown* last Sunday, entitled, "Waging Peace." This is the first time these types of demonstrations have occurred in the south suburbs since the Vietnam era, except for the lonely vigil my then two year old son Stanton, and I had, during January of 1991. Last Saturday, over 100 people rallied against this horrible looming slaughter in Joliet, as well.

I work daily on prisoner publications, letter writing and other support work, as well as involve myself in the many issues affecting the southside. Many of my letters and analyses are printed in the suburban papers and in various underground publications. I run a distro of these powerful zines and have several dozen different ones available and send them out far and wide either very cheaply or free. This is all done out of my own wage slave pocket because I see a crying need for such a thing. Empowering ideas are invaluable!

Now, as for the ABC - Anarchist Black Cross - several autonomous chapters, including the Chicago chapter, established last spring, forged ourselves into a network at an intensive conference down in Austin, Texas last July. I did a presentation, as did Lorenzo Komboa Ervin, the former anarchist political prisoner, whose writings on the subject back in the 80's laid the groundwork for this movement. Robert King Wilkerson, recently freed member of the Angola 3 spoke, as did former anti-racist political prisoner Chris Plummer and ABC activist, Ernesto Aguilar. Several others did workshops on this weekend. There was a cornucopia of explosively insightful zines!

My talk was mainly two essays I read written specifically for this conference, titled, "Working Up Effective Anarchy" and "A Mindset of Purposefulness." We agreed to embark on several projects and establish a national office in Austin. I agreed to write a report on the conference, see that the newsletter of the MPLU (Missouri Prison Labor Union) entitled "Off The Hook" was published and distributed.

About 5 hours after the arrest we entered a Chicago police station (the furthestmost in the city from the demonstration) which already contained unnumbered peaceful marchers who had been arrested the day before. We were all held in crowded conditions, without a phone call or blankets, and without food (and without even toilet paper.) Police refused to release protesters on 'I-Bonds' and refused to allow family members to put up the bail. My family,



and scores of others, phoned the police stations only to be told there loved ones were not there or were unknown.

All was not bad though. I very much enjoyed the company of others in protest, and I know this experience of camaraderie and feeling of cause will add meaning and comfort to my life hereafter.

I'm now out of jail with 24 hours of intensive activist training; a new vision and a strengthened voice. I am left with only one regret. I left the jail before a dozen or so persons who had been held significantly longer than me. I thank our families and friends, the National Lawyers Guild, and the American Friends Service Committee for standing vigil and organizing bail donations. Only by the efforts of these heroes was I able to greet my 3-year old girl today

-Lionel Trepanier, Lionel@Greens.org

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So many people in this sicko country have no clue how corrupted and pointlessly they are living the days of their lives, nor what it feels like to consciously be a good person, help self and others and how rewarding, satisfying and pleasurable legitimacy is. They're hopelessly mired in the psychopathology of this greedy system and take sick pleasure from hurting, instead of helping others.

The leaders are heartless millionaire/murderers and to keep the system in place, they have to instill their hateful anti-human "ideology" into the dupes who do the nuts and bolts functions to keep things in place. It's a system that does not replenish what it uses - but lays waste to people, land, water, animals - everything, including the ability to think rationally and productively. The language itself is polluted with endlessly repeated buzzwords like "terrorist" "anarchy" "gangs" etc., etc. that only serve to confuse, dummy down and reinforce the "necessity" of rich people laws and authority.

Poor people aren't angels either, mainly because they too have been infected with these sick ideals promulgated by American society. Money is the ultimate goal. Screw everybody else. Take as much as you can steal. Don't be kind to anybody. Fuck everything! It's a throw-away life where nothing matters. Who cares about a sustainable future? Only fools actually give a damn. Don't try to figure anything out, etc.

It's a pandemic pathology but it's mainly only the dark-skinned poor who get sucked into legal entanglements "pay their debt to society" by being abused all the time in for-profit prisons, paid for by the working class (taxes.) The rich lolligag on massive theft, tax cuts and welfare.

Rome went down and deservedly so. But no society (not Hitler, not Pol Pot) menaced the world so brazenly, lied about themselves so shamelessly nor deserved their demise so completely, as the U.S. of A.



beyond genocidal blood lust psychosis, that the crusading fascists⁵³ are forcing upon us all. Anarchists will be in the thick of every fray!

We've got to learn how to give a damn and overcome decades of dreadful self-deluding conditioning and not be so goddam selfish with our empathy, our time and our love. For, it's not just the rest of the world that is being crushed underfoot and incinerated en masse by our tax paid for death machines. It's our own children's future!

Friends, the war has come home with a vengeance and can't be ignored. It's the logical progression of the unfolding of events - cause and effect.

Years ago, growing up in a highly political family and being involved in a lot of social agitation in the 60's and 70's, I determined in my mind what my life's work would have to be. I would become a writer, an organizer, a revolutionary. Seeing Fred Hampton get murdered, seeing the years of daily carnage in Southeast Asia, the excruciating death squad butchery throughout Central and South America and the suffering and dying in Africa and the Middle East, was very scary. As is, seeing the daily 24-hours-a-day Mengelesque psychological torture and deprivation that is sadistically inflicted upon those who raise their voice in defense of their fellow prisoners or to explain what is actually occurring behind the razor wired walls.

So, I'm living the "American Dream!" I was able to cross the fear line and teach and compel myself to become what I wanted to become - a canary in the minefield of ideas. I focus on prisoners because they represent ground zero of the struggle in this country. There is a tremendous need to help these Brothers and Sisters and the level of genuine support is still shamefully meager. A responsible person goes where he or she is needed the most and where their skills can be utilized most effectively. To me, it's a no-brainer!

I've done other projects too. I co-founded STAND - Shut This Airport Nightmare Down, a grassroots citizen's group fighting the unneeded, wasteful, political boondoggle known as the Peotone Airport. Recently, we made a spectacle calibre issue of a home demolition in the waning days of the Ryan regime. About a hundred citizens and supporters came out on a bitterly cold January morning to bear witness to the senseless destruction of a farmhouse in the Peotone Airport "footprint." A.P. and the *Washington Post* covered this, so the story and these images went around the country.

Recently, I was instrumental in creating an umbrella coalition of grassroots groups in the south suburbs called Southside Citizens' Coalition. We are composed of progressive black churches, who oppose the attempted domination by the Jacksons, community organizations, gang interventionists, grassroots organizers, environmentalists, ex-prisoners, supporters and family members as well as other concerned citizens. People from Chicago to Kankakee

Killing Hope. Every black family has at least one member in prison.

So, you have a highly dysfunctional society whose "growth industry" is repression. Whether it is the so-called prison-industrial complex, which I call the punishment industry, or the military, what kids have to look forward to, is a job as a prisoner slave laborer, a prison guard or as a trained murderer, controlled by the military. These are prisoners too, as you can't quit that job. You have to go "AWOL!" Their prisons are called "brigs!"

These lines are being blurred further by the nazis now in power in Washington. The last two years, all the military bases have undergone extensive construction in order to house 40,000 people without charges, lawyers or rights. These are designed for American citizens and not just those of Middle Eastern descent who are being targetted for round-up right now. All Americans will be targetted, whether you are red, white, black, pink or blue - if you raise your voice in protest and organize against this insanity. The "terrorists" will be those among us who have the morality and courage to resist this goose-step towards death. Many types of new prisons for regular citizens are also on the drawing boards in every single state, regardless of the massive deficits they are all saddled with.

Once the "shock and awe" ultra genocide is unleashed on the long suffering Iraqi people like a nightmare invasion from outer space, the world must and will erupt. Governments will be toppled and many people will be gunned down in the streets and rounded-up by local puppet governments, who are equipped and trained by their U.S. masters. No doubt, U.S. forces will be dispatched to many places to oversee and orchestrate state suppression.

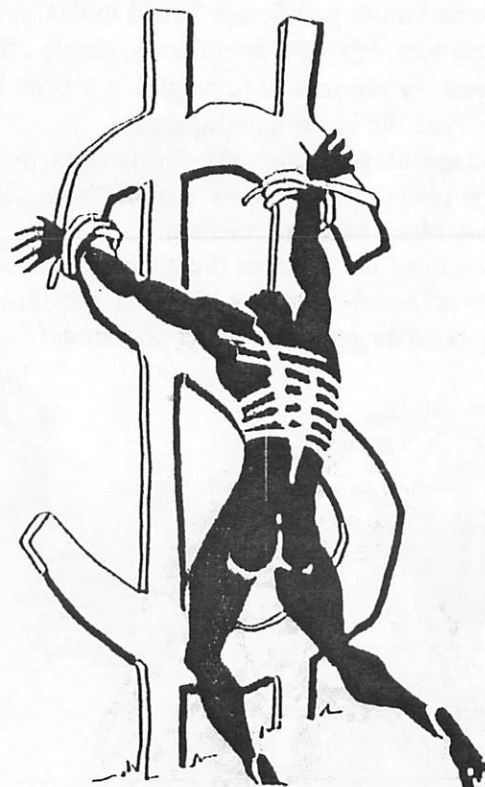
The U.S. will not be exempt from this deadful scenario. We're the home of the latest and most horrific clinical torture chambers. The people entrusted to run these sadistic death camps are highly trained and thoroughly brainwashed by the anti-human ideology pushed by the millionaires and billionaires who run this country and menace the world. They have everything to lose, if their beyond evil system is successfully junked. So, expect zero concern for human life. Mammoth bulldozers will be burying many thousands of charred corpses as "Death from Above" the maxim of the 82nd Airborne Division, will rain down on countless innocents worldwide.

This is an extraordinary time - like 1848 or 1917, only exponentially much more crucial. The fate of the world and the viability of life itself, hangs in the balance. We're incredibly lucky to be alive at this point in history and it is our moral duty to throw ourselves into the fray on the side of life, liberty and justice.

The whole world's watching and participating. Everyone is depending on us - the American people - to put a stop to this

Every day is an endless parade of triteness, people are pretending not to care about real things, so caught up in the flow of lies and junk are they. Society itself has no meaning. The culture has been completely prostituted. Audiences laugh track over jokes of upcoming genocide!

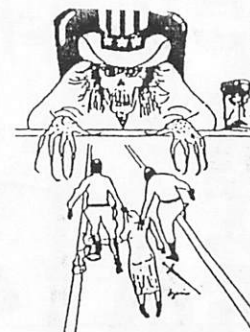
We want an end to robbery by the Capitalists of our Black community.



RESIST!



the Majority has
no right to impose
its idioy on the minority.



If disturbing thoughts creep in, there are plenty of ways to blot them out. There's many, many psychotropic drugs nowadaze you can get 'scripts for. This way your axons and synapses won't have a chance! Wash them down with rivers of alcohol. No pot, though. If we find you in possession of this plant, we'll put you in a cage for several years. For "entertainment" click on the boob tube, computer or some game. Go to a scary-assed movie and/or one *with* plenty of ass! Become obese at one of our fast food joints. Drone on with the swarming smarmy horde.

Whatever you do, forget organizing because Big Brother knows all and sees all. Have a nice life and enjoy your "freedoms."

Your circulatory, respiratory, sensory and nervous systems will be too busy to ever have time to deal with annoying reality. Sure, your life won't be "real" but so what! Neither will anybody else's! It's what makes America great! Most of the world suffers in abject horror.

The PI (Punishment Industry) is like a big drain sucking down all the refuse from a wasteful, callous society. It's like a lamprey overwhelming a fish. More and more people are forced to deal with the police, courts, judges, prosecutors, lawyers, prisonkrats, parole officers - and these are people who *know* or are related to people in prison, before, during and after!! It's destroyed the black community!

Massive round-ups and exploding populations of prisoners are fully factored into their expansion plans. It's total war around the world, and here at home! All the young, black men are missing!

Rich, suited, "white" men need not concern themselves - unless they open their mouths and express human outrage over the domestic social holocaust &/or the looming horrific genocide being prepared.



anger, rage, self-hate and suicidal thoughts are epidemic.

Legal drugs such as prozac, ritalin, thorazine, valium and an exploding number of others, are increasingly used to keep the very young to the very old in an addictive stupored state, their mental faculties arrested. They are unable to think logically and critically, much less acting responsibly about things they don't adequately know about. It's like the home security devise demanded by the court, placed upon your own will! Many live a hollow shell existence.

The one drug that does have tremendous positive benefits (marijuana) - capable of providing food, fuel, clothing, medicine and recreational applications, is toxically "illegal!" It grows wild without fertilizer and for a while it was illegal not to grow it during the desperate colonial times. This plant is now coupled with terrorist fearmongering. So, instead of the dreaded commies, these days we're supposed to be worried about Muslim Fundamentalists and "narco-terrorists!" Oh, and I mustn't forget the catch-all "anarchist." "Anarchy" is what must be avoided at all costs and why we must pour on the military and "save" the world with bombs!

Hundreds of thousands of U.S. citizens are forced to live in cages for many years for the mere possession of the flower of this plant! I believe marijuana's real "crime" is that instead of dulling the thinking processes as required by authority-think, instead, horror of horrors, it enlivens the brain. Which, of course, is the last thing the authorities want to see happen. They need people gung-ho gullible.

See, Man is the dumbest animal on Earth! He's got the best brain, but he only uses about 10 or 20% of it, whereas other animals by necessity, use about 80% of their brains. We should use our brains!

During chattel slavery, it was illegal to teach a slave how to read. In today's world, the dumbing down is a multi-pronged assault on our senses, used to keep us from learning how to think, stay docile, believe colossal lies and do what we are told. For, if you get out of line, you'll go to prison. You have the freedom not to like it, but must sit quietly as they steal, rob and kill, while the world bleeds to death!

Studies show that passive television watching shuts down the development of the brain. An incredible 4 hours per day is the national average! That's 1/6th of our entire lives devoted to this surrendering of ourselves. Add video games, movies, the computer and Big Brother has unlimited access to mold our minds. Why else would we cheerlead for the mass murder of our fellow humans?

Prisoners are just an extension of the working class. They're forced to work dangerous jobs without wages or any safeguards, receive terrible medical treatment, minimal education, recreation and live in cages, subject to the constant threat of violence and torture. The business of Amerika, as titled by William Blum's book, which chronicles the devastation caused by the U.S. the last sixty years, is

Insanely, the level of one's amount of the skin pigment, melanin, plays a unique-to-the-world difference, in this land grounded in **So** human slavery! Of course, "officially" the U.S. legal system now only tolerates wage and prison slavery. This slavery is solemnly and unquestioningly codified into law. So much for any real freedom!

Social programs, to balm the outrages of capitalism, such as affordable housing, welfare, food stamps, child-care or heaven forbid - medical care - have all but been eliminated by Clinton and the two Bushes, implementing "Reaganomics."

Nancy Reagan's "War on Drugs" is playing itself out as the most convenient avenue of repression and destined to overwhelm state tax coffers. Social programs and education will suffer, but the gulag system of every state will continue to expand and warehouse young black, latino and poor "whites." Nixon is the brainchild of this madness ("war on drugs") much as Henry Kissinger is the one who first formulated the "policy" which these megalomaniacal monsters consider "justification" for the upcoming genocide in Iraq.

So, vast numbers of citizens are squeezed out of a chance at providing even the basic necessities for their families. They feel compelled to turn to illegal drugs to generate money to subsist upon. This is happening to tens of millions of families - even though our country, with 5% of the world's population, usurps 30% of the world's resources. Destitution and suffering are rampant anyways!

The colossal, amoral greed of the already rich in this country is truly phantasmagoric!! It's tragically unique to our world that the only super power left standing right now is one of extreme capitalism. So extreme, as to be grounded in human slavery and hemisphere wide, several century long, insisted upon, genocide! In spite of this horrific history, people are chloroformed into believing in the "rule of law" and that we live in what is known as a "democracy." It'd be funny if it wasn't so unnecessary and tragic.

A demented consumerist culture, glorying in images of uniformed violence, devoid of genuine political understanding, subjected to the demonization of "non-white" peoples (especially Arabs nowadays) is incessantly foisted on us, shoved down our throats and hammered into our heads. A "numbing" of the senses occurs, along with a ruined sense of political reality. A stultified sense of empathy for others sets in and the desire to "not have to think about it!" takes priority. The passively obeying sheep are branded with a Nike swoosh!

People instinctively feel this as a heavy insult to their humanity and harbor seething if vague, resentment for the system. Many are psychologically battered by such a pathological environment and feel a panoramic kaleidoscope of alienated emotions, phobias, fears, obsessions, addictions and illusions. Lovelessness, confusion,

It's an upheaval and assault so all-encompassing, that people are flung into it, like a vicious riptide - powerless to hide and try to ignore it.

The politicians are pieces on a game board - except for the cabal of bloodthirsty monsters ordering the military to unleash "Death From Above." The real money men - the heavies of industry drive the economy and thus, the politics. Socially and psychologically, the culture is pathologically insane. How could it be otherwise, with cold-blooded Stalinesque killers driving the agenda? These include "War" (one-sided, overwhelming immolation of a whole people and 2) locked-down, carefully watched, no rights citizens, afraid and bombarded with infected, daily brainwash.

Peoples' real selves are slowly plucked from them early on and they are forced to play a demeaning bit part in a morbid, capitalist set - their whole lives! They must live their very own and *only* life as a charade!

Sure, people can wheedle their way, play the game and be "well off!" But, all along the way, people are struggling and you're one of those people! Ignore it and rationalize it and you've ceased to be "one of those people." Guess who approves of how you carry yourself?

It's unavoidable. We all must live and breathe and eat. So, we work, giving the capitalists stolen "profits" and the government steals much

Protest brings out rebels

more, as "taxes." They use our money - the fruit of our labors - to wage war against us and our Brothers and Sisters all around the world!

How do you ignore that? All exchanges are oriented to increase consumerist culture, create profit and waste - demean humans! How can you just shrug your shoulders, accept it, live like a shadow to your own life and then, someday die! How??

A lot of people believe some sort of higher ideals. Love everybody, including yourself. Do right by folks and treat them with respect. Take care of those around you and the world you live in.

But mostly, people just sometimes say that sort of stuff, becuz to really believe in truth and freedom and equality and justice, you have to put these ideals in practice and live that way, every day! You can't be afraid to! That's not livin'!

I looked at my eight-year old's sheet of homework instructions and the week's upcoming activities in his 3rd grade class. They're doing a little project called "Fruity Pebbles Math." Fruity Pebbles are a miserable children's cereal. No wonder 1/3 of our children are obese and incipient juvenile diabetes is such a growing problem!

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After school I saw him toting around a baggie of Fruity Pebbles. I imagined a tiny plastic bag and tube dripping demerol into his blood stream. Naturally, he thought it was great and I could almost hear his teeth crumbling and dissolving in his mouth! He's got a sugar addiction,

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ABC - Anarchist Black Cross Anthony Rayson
critiques the penal system in the US / operates a prisoner support network
Mtg # 2598 - 25% of the world's prisoners are in US jails



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My address today is about the network of serious prisoner support groups we have recently forged, ABC-Net. But before I talk about that, I want to set the table, so to speak. I want to explain my anarchist position on prisons and society, review recent developments and touch on other projects I'm involved with.

Anarchists believe prisons are an abomination. The punishment is the crime! Those who sit in judgement, the police, lawyers, prosecutors, judges, wardens, guards and politicians are players in a vast criminal enterprise - a profit-driven punishment industry that is funded by monies extorted from citizens (i.e. taxes.) not just for profit, but as the main repressive means to keep a racist, theft-based, socio-economic class system, creaking along. The world gets bombs and we get bars. It's an astounding reality that most avoid thinking about clearly, much less really doing much of anything to explain or fight it. So, I focus my attention on the subject.

Real, massive crime - the theft of hundreds of billions of dollars (like the Savings & Loan pillaging or the recent tax torrent to the already rich) and constant genocide, (Vietnam, etc.) slavery, whether it be wage, prison, sexual or some other form, are not considered crimes, nor prosecuted. Instead they are codified into law, which we're to hold in some sick reverence, from the Constitution - a slaver's document - on down!

The Amerikan authorities are thus unfettered in their criminality. They have vast, heavily-armed, trained gangs of killers and keepers. They even have many of us believing that this arrangement is to be known as "freedom!" If we don't like it, we can go to Russia - like the Jews forced out of Austria and Germany in the thirties. Then again, there's always jail. For Blacks, it's an inevitability.

The cops are told to round-up so-called "gang members" - black teens with little crack rocks in their pockets, while the banks who launder billions in drug profits, are protected by the "law!"

It's class war, pure and simple! Many U.S. companies uprooted their operations, along with hard-won wages and benefits, from working class America to super-exploit sweatshop labor in third world countries. This was most devastating to the communities of color.

Jesse put in a word to the bigshots at City Hall to lay off E2. The inspectors did their usual 1/2-assed job of inspecting (unless told specifically to get serious) and the owners ignored them. After all, bringing the joint up to code, might eat into their precious profits! The city covered itself with a four month old "order" they had no intention of enforcing. Chicago Police Superintendent Hilliard has worked security for Jackson, on occasion. To hear them talk, they're all completely blameless!

The self-important capitalists running the show looked to make a killing on this night! They hired a few thug "security" people to funnel in the people - raising the cover price as it got later and more stuffed with people. Exits were locked so no one could "sneak in." With no other clubs open, people had no choice but to pay through the nose and squeeze into the place - if they wanted a rare chance to socialize on this nightmare of a night.

The arrogant DJ thinks of it all as "my party!" that, if at all disrupted, brings forth his conceited wrath.

"Mace 'em!" - which a security thug insanely does, in this packed sea of people! The resulting loss of life will linger in our hearts forever!

These money-takers assume the role of their oppressors and think nothing of it, so compromised by the greedy, coercive, racist system, are they! They have leather jackets, gold chains, cell phones, hot cars and babes, instead of a working revolutionary consciousness! Shame on all you sorry bastards! 21 of our loved ones are now dead!

We need Malcolm X - not R. Kelly!

We need Fred Hampton - not Jesse Jackson!

Baghdad or Chicago, what's the difference? Either way you have a stack of dead bodies of completely innocent, men, women and children! It's time to look the brutal truth square in the face!

Anthony Rayson, I'm grieving and angry, but not surprised.



Chicago police line up in front of their bicycles across the street from Boeing headquarters Thursday as they await instructions. A heavy contingent of security personnel were in place hoping to thwart problems similar to violence that erupted at a trade meeting in Seattle in 2000.

AP photo

treats vegetables like they're poison and is getting pudgy. Then I thought about the "treat" the allegedly "evil" 13 Taliban and al Qaida prisoners (who weren't gunned down in ditches or bombed while in prison or suffocated in closed, steel freight cars or plain "daisy cutter" obliterated to smithereens - along with so many civilians) receive in Cuba - Froot Loops!

Then I opened my mail and looked at Rashid's latest artwork. His political collage type of drawings are the most impressive I have yet to see. A group of sheep signifying the acquiescing Americans, are calmly herded ahead. The lead sheep had a Nike swoosh on his chest.

Sometimes, I lie down with Stephen's head in the crook of my shoulder and we watch cartoons together. There's one about colonial times during the American revolution that simplifies the standard myths and makes the people fighting the British to be nice, clean principled heroes fighting for the wonderful freedoms we all so enjoy today.

To me, it's pretty boring brainwash, but I can see why kids might like it. I try to go through my mail which consists overwhelmingly of horror stories from prisoners and requests for zines and support.

Funny, the image and the reality of the system never comes close to jibing! But most everyone wouldn't ever know it because it takes a real effort to seek out and absorb the truth of what is really happening. People have their families, a million and one things to do, work, many daily distractions, the cat's sick, the boy has a dental appointment, the bills are piling up, the car won't start, the school wants to start little Johnny up on ritalin... all with the incessant sound track of the Lehrer Report or Howard

Study: Children of single parents suffer more serious psychological problems

RESIST THE CAGED SOCIETY!

Stern, or some other such shit! When you finally relax, you get to read the Tribune - packed with lies, or if you're 14 really contemplative, read the bullshit that's in Time, or just People. Do people actually read political analysis?

Where are you gonna go for the down and dirty truth about the complicated mess of this world, if you've never heard of AK Press or seen a zine? The mainstream doesn't report on why things are the way they are or what people are trying to do about it, much less what the rest of the world's people are going through. It's catch phrase this, "terrorist" that - let's hurry up to the sports and weather! Don't even start making sense! Who the fuck needs it!

Plus, even if someone does stumble onto the terrible truth, they have no personal history of what to do about it, or even how to think about it intelligibly or in context. Their vocabulary describing political reality has been hijacked and replaced with "no think." People's lives have been atomized and severed from real community, like eggs in a carton. It's too much to think about or deal with, so you fall back on vague religious platitudes.

Or, if you do really try to think about it, it becomes very scary. The cops'll come and bust ya - or kill ya or jail ya. There's nothin' you can do to affect anything, anyhow, anyway! So fuck it and fetch me another beer!

That's of course, until they do frame you on bogus charges, or grab your brother. Then, the system pulls the curtain back a little bit and you're shocked by this matter-of-fact massive criminal conspiracy, known as "law enforcement."

So, why would anyone actually give a damn when it could get you killed? Well, there's a sensitivity, a consciousness of what is right and what is wrong. It starts with the basic concept that nurturing and improving life is good, not doing that, all the way to deliberately causing peoples' deaths, are bad.

Parents have it - this genuine pro-active concern, for their children. Why shouldn't this be extended to their neighbors and their community and the rest of the world?

The twenty-one young people who died at the E2 were innocent casualties in the war being waged on American citizens. Their futures and the hopes of their families were horrifyingly suffocated!

Mayor Daley was a big player back in the day when he was an aggressive prosecutor, who was involved in jacking up the pace of racist incarceration, putting innocents on death row and demonizing young black men and women. Jesse Jackson has long abandoned genuine struggle and is a shill for "Black capitalism" - the exploitation of blacks, by blacks!

As many young blacks and other poor people are already warehoused and locked-down in countless gulags, family life has been devastated and opportunities are minimal. The "legitimate" exploiting businesses have cut out the black community to super-exploit third-world sweatshop workers, over the border.

Social services, food stamps, cheap housing, unemployment benefits, welfare, breakfast programs, medical care, child care and other basic survival aid programs, have been gutted by Clinton and Bush, implementing "Reaganomics." So for many, the only avenue of revenue (drugs) is dangerously illegal and a lucrative punishment industry feeds off the repression of those involved, as well as many others. Two million - 1/4 of all the world's prisoners are in U.S. prisons!

This affects the culture of black citizens, dramatically! With the community systematically brutalized, there is no safe place to go to congregate and enjoy each other's company without unbearable suspicion and harassment. If three Brothers talk to each other on a street corner, they're in a "gang!"

Owners of some clubs are pressured by the powerful forces of big business and government, who often scheme on their property for profit (gentrification.) With so many laws with harsh penalties for code violations, to pay for various licenses, security, insurance and so on, no wonder so few clubs where young black people can be together, exist! Only the politically connected have the "clout" to stay in business.

Enter Jesse Jackson and his buddies. They play the game and play it well. Jesse recently went down to Hopkin's Park and told the folks down there to accept an 1,800 bed women's prison in their 800 person community! They're to accept a prison full of their sisters, living in cages and forget about systematic evil and try and grab some cash. It's "all about the money" remember? His son, Congressman Jesse Junior, does similar type work, pushing for Peotone. They get blacks to accept the system, claiming to be progressives! In turn, they get a personal, political "in."

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 MARGINAL ENVIRONMENTS IN THE OCEANS, AIR, POLAR CAPS, THE MOON, MARS, SPACE AND BEYOND.
 THIS IS THE CENTURY IN WHICH WE DELIBERATELY ADAPT OURSELVES TO LIVE PERMANENTLY
 IN ENVIRONMENTS WE WOULD NEVER HAVE HAD TIME TO EVOLVE INTO NATURALLY. THIS ARTI-
 FICIAL EVOLUTION WILL OCCUR DESPITE ANYTHING CHURCH AND GOV'T DO TO PREVENT IT.
 SINCE IT IS THE OPPOSITE OF LIFE'S NATURE TO CONTROL BIRTHRATES, EVOLUTION THROUGH NAT-
 URAL SELECTION AND DEATH WILL CONTINUE ALONG WITH THE EXPLOITATION OF EVERY POSSIBLE
 NICKLE. A CONSCIOUS, LOGICAL, PLANNED FUTURE WILL LEAVE US WITH MORE OF OUR ECOSYSTEM TO EN-
 JOY. A MURDEROUS, GREEDY, Destructive FUTURE WILL LEAVE US INHABITING A LONESOME
 WASTELAND. WORSE, THE TIME AVAILABLE FOR A CONSCIOUS DECISION IS SLIPPING AWAY
 FASTER THAN OUR POPULATION GROWS AND OUR WASTES PILE UP. EARLY IS A BIG PAIN THAT
 CARRIES A LOT OF INERTIA. WE WON'T BE FORCED TO CLEAN OUR AIR UNTIL WE BEGIN
 CHOKING TO DEATH, AND THEN IT WILL BE AS EASY AS SKIPPING A MASSIVE DYNAMO WITH OUR
 BLOKE HANDS, WHICH IS TO SAY IMPOSSIBLE. WHEN THIS HAPPENS, THE RICHEST 20% WILL
 BUILD LUXURIOUS CAVES TO HIDE IN TO WATCH THE REMAININGS OF US SMOTHER AND DIE.
 THEN THE SURVIVORS WILL NOTICE THEY MUST HIDE MUCH LONGER THAN THEIR SUPPLIES
 AND ENERGY RESERVES WILL LAST. THEY WILL SUFFER ENORMOUS DESTRUCTION EXPENDING
 80% OF THEIR FELLOWS. MUCH LATER THE LAST SURVIVORS OF HUMANITY WILL DIE OF—
 GUESS WHAT?—POOR PLANNING! GOOD BYE, YOU ARROGANT FOOLS. BETTER LUCK TO
 THE NEXT GENUS OF SQUIRREL-LIKE MAMMALS WHO INHERIT THE RUINS BY DEFAULT.
 HOPE OUR DAMAGE ISN'T SO BAD THAT THE WINNER DOESN'T HAVE TO AGAIN CLIMB OUT
 OF THE SEA.

TO SUM UP, THE ACTUAL COST OF RELIGION IS MUCH HIGHER THAN ANYONE HAS CAL-
 CULATED, AND IN ITS PRESENT FORM DEMANDING NO BIRTH CONTROL, WILL COST OUR
 EXTINCTION.

For, your children must survive in this world long after 15
 you're dead and gone! We're their parents! We deserve a
 huge say so in their future! It's one of our most basic
 responsibilities that until recently, has always been
 organic to everybody's lifetime. What has changed?



Plus, there's that annoying ordeal of looking yourself
 in the mirror every morning. If you know or suspect
 systematic injustice and decide to do nothing about it,
 you're just willingly one of the sheep being led to slaughter
 and you don't even have the distinction of having the Nike
 "swoosh" branded onto your chest. Please! Not a life like
 this! Not at a time so in need of morality and courage!

When Ariel Sharon waged aggressive warfare on the citizens of Lebanon in 1982, it was to make Israel "safer," root out "terrorists" and so on.

After immense suffering, devastation and the deaths of over 20,000 people, it ended with the gruesome crescendo of the days-long savagery of Shatila and Sabra, that even Israel saw fit to censure him for allowing - even abetting.

Does Israel enjoy more freedom, less terrorism and greater acceptance in the world community? No! They are basically a trigger-happy garrison state who has earned the revulsion of the world and the fanatical hatred of the Palestinians and other Arabs.

The United States forced a similar invasion in 1991. Many tens of thousands of Iraqi people - soldiers and civilians - were killed in a massive bloodletting campaign of incineration. The nation's infrastructure was destroyed and the U.S. betrayed anti-Hussein rebels, which led to the torture and slaughter of tens of thousands more by Saddam's sadists, as the U.S. military treacherously stood by on orders from the politicians in Washington, led by George Herbert Bush.

In the 1980's, the policy of the U.S. government was to fuel the killing of as many Arabs as possible. They armed Saddam to kill Iran's troops and armed Iran to kill Iraq's troops.

A dozen years of sanctions (1991-2003) crushed a whole generation of Iraqi's children. Gruesome death from preventable diseases and genocidal, forced starvation was visited upon several hundreds of thousands more by the U.S. government's grim reaper "policy."

Now, we have invaded the whole country, killing thousands every day with otherworldly carnage.

It's not just the Palestinians seething with suicidal rage against Israel, anymore. The whole Arab world is aflame against Israel and the U.S., due to these "policies" of dealing with perceived opposition by mass murder and society-wide suffering.

Saddam Hussein is a monster from Hell - no question! But, ever since he murdered his way into power, the U.S. has helped him kill Iraqis, Kurds, Shiites and Iranians! This complicity cannot be called "democracy" or "freedom!" How can we expect the Iraqi people to trust us, given our Idi Amin-like track record?

Sure, a nation of 300 million can militarily crush an already eviscerated nation of 26 million. Are we supposed to be proud of that? The "reason" we went in was to root out "weapons of mass

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 JOT OUT HUNDREDS OF SHORT LETTERS PER MONTH THAT CAUSE HUNDREDS OF CAPTIVES TO FRANTICALLY FLIP THROUGH AND READ THOUSANDS OF BIBLE PASSAGES IN A DESPERATE SEARCH FOR THAT WHICH DOES NOT EXIST WITHIN THE BIBLE, SPECIFICALLY, A MEANS OF AVOIDING HELL, GAINING HEAVEN, SAVING ONE'S SOUL, FREEDOM FROM CAPTIVITY, ETC. SPIRITUAL RELIEF FROM MENTAL TORTURE IS A COMMODITY HIGHLY TOUTED BY THE PERVERTORS OF RELIGION, BUT IN 30 YEARS OF WATCHING CAPTIVES PARTAKE, VERY FEW ESCAPE TORMENT THIS WAY. THE CYCLE IS THAT THEY CARED NO MORE FOR GOD THAN EDUCATION WHEN FREE. WORSE, THEY OFTEN PREYED UPON THE RELIGIOUS PRIOR TO THEIR ABDUCTION AND ENCAGEMENT BY THE GOV'T. FROM THE CAGE THEIR SUPPOSEDLY CUNNING MINDS OFTEN TRY TO USE RELIGION TO CONVINCE THEIR WAY OUT. SOME SINCERELY SPEND MUCH EFFORT PRAYING AND RE-READING BIBLE AND FIND FRIENDS WHO ARE ALSO FRANTICALLY SEARCHING FOR THE FREEDOM THEY ARE CALLOUSLY TOLD EXISTS WITHIN RELIGION AND ITS RITUALS. OVER THE YEARS THEY FIND THAT FREEDOM IS NOT WHAT RELIGION CAN DELIVER, PLUS MANY BECOME PREYED UPON FOR BEING SEEN AS WEAK FOR THEIR BELIEFS. ALSO, THEY FIND THAT THERE ARE TOO MANY SINCERE RELIGIOUS FANATICS TRYING TO BIBLETHUMP THEIR WAY OUT OF CAPTIVITY FOR THEM TO HAVE ANY CHANCE OF DOING SO. SINCE MAN IS NOT CREATED EQUAL, AND BECAUSE DIM MINDS TEND TO FALL INTO PRISONS, ESPECIALLY SINCE GOV'T EMPLOYED OUT MENTAL INSTITUTIONS YEARS AGO, IT IS VERY OFTEN THAT THE WORST OF RELIGIOUS DEPRÉDATION CAN BE WITNESSED HERE.

RIGHT NOW I'M SUFFERING ONE. HE IS APPARENTLY NORMAL IN ALL RESPECTS AT CASUAL ACQUAINTANCE, BUT CLOSER CONTACT REVEALS THAT HE WILL NOT READ OR LEARN ANYTHING BUT CHRISTIAN MATERIALS, AND IT IS OF THE LOWEST QUALITY (EVANGELICAL). HE ADMITS BOREDOM FROM RE-READING THE BIBLE, YET SPENDS MOST OF THE EVENING PICKING AT HIS FEET OR FEIGNING SLEEP IN AN APPARENT CATATONIC STATE RE-LIVING THE PAST OR SQUALLING ON FEET, KNEES, ELBOWS AND FOREHEAD ON THE FLOOR OR TOP RACK PRAYING. SOON AS I TURN TO SLEEP, HE IMMEDIATELY SHUTS OFF THE LIGHT AND SPENDS ALL NIGHT, APPARENTLY, AND EVERY NIGHT, PLAYING WITH HIS GENITALS UNTIL THE BREAKFAST GARBAGE IS SHOVED THROUGH THE HOLE AND I REQUIRE THE LIGHT ON. HIS PROSTATE GLAND IS SO SWOLLEN FROM HIS CONSTANT LONG-TERM SELF-ABUSE THAT HE HAS EXTREME DIFFICULTY URINATING. HE WON'T SEE THE MEDIC, WASH, OR CHANGE HIS SHEETS DESPITE DRAGGING MUCH FLOOR DIRT UP THERE FROM HIS PRAYER SESSIONS. HE DOES OCCASIONALLY CHANGE HIS CLOTHES, AND SPENDS MUCH TIME WALLERING ON THE FLOOR AND AGAINST THE WALL IN THE ATTITUDE OF HOMELESS ALCOHOLICS THOUGH HE'S DONE ALMOST NO ILLEGAL DRUGS AND VERY LITTLE ALCOHOL (HE'S ONLY 24 YEARS OLD) THIS HOBNO BEHAVIOR ONLY OCCURS AFTER HE HAS MADE HEROIC EFFORTS TRYING TO SLEEP ALL DAY. HE HAS REPEATED THIS CYCLE DAILY FOR MONTHS WITH NEGLIGIBLE VARIATION SINCE ARRIVING IN THIS TWO RACK CAGE. BEFORE HIM WAS ANOTHER, SLIGHTLY OLDER SEX AND RELIGION ADDICT OF MUCH THE SAME DEMEANOR, EXCEPT CLEANER. ALSO, HE HAD WIT ENOUGH TO THINK, AFTER HEARING A RADIO COMMERCIAL FOR PAXIL, THAT HIS "NUH" MEDICINE MAY BE CAUSING HIS "SEXUAL SIDE EFFECT" OF DIFFICULTY URINATING.

I'VE MET AND LIVED WITH VERY MANY FELLOW CAPTIVES AND THIS IS REPRESENTATIVE OF THEM ALL TO MORE OR LESSER DEGREE. MOST HARBORED AT LEAST MILD NEUROSES OR DELUSIONS, NOT ALL ARE SEX ADDICTS. TAKEN AWAY FROM FRIENDS AND ALMOST ALL OTHER SOURCES OF PLEASURE, INCLUDING PALATABLE FOOD, GAMES, READING MATERIAL, TV, RADIO, ETC AND GIVEN STEEL AND BLANK WALLS, DEFECTIVE PENS, NO PAPER, SIGNING OR ANYONE TO WRITE, IT IS NATURAL THAT ONE'S WORLD WOULD SHRINK TO THE ONLY SOURCE OF ENDORPHINS THE GUARDS, LAWYERS AND POLITICIANS HAVE AS YET BEEN UNABLE TO STEAL FROM US. SMALL ENVIRONMENTS CREATE SMALL MINDS.

THERE ARE LOTS OF PENAL ADS IN THIS ONE PRISON OF THOUSANDS IN AMERICA AND 2.1 MILLION PRISONERS (NOT COUNTING JAILS) TO PUDD INTO THESE NONSENSICAL BIBLE RESEARCH FEEDBACK LOOPS. THE WASTE IS AS EVIDENT HERE AS IT IS COLUS-SAL. THE WASTE IS EVEN MORE EVIDENT WHEN YOU CONSIDER THAT THE ESSENTIAL TEACHINGS OF RELIGION MINUS THE MYTHOLOGY CAN BE BOILED DOWN INTO A FEW "GOLDEN" RULES.

CITIZENS AND OUTSIDERS TO PERPETRATE AND SUFFER. SINCE GOV'TS ARE UNIVERALLY WITHOUT CONSCIENCE AND, IF WERE ACTUAL PERSONS, WOULD BE BRANDED INSANE IN 44 MANY CASES AND RARE IN SOME, IT IS VERY FORTUNATE OF US TO HAVE A RAY OF RELIGION FLUTTERING ABOUT ON THE COLLAR OF GOV'T'S WOLVERINES TO SIGNIFY DIS-TRACT THEM AS THEY RANSACK THIS PLANET AND RAPE AND KILL ALL ITS LIFE FORMS. RELIGION KEEPS LAWYERS FROM BECOMING TOO VICIOUS TOO BY RESEARCHING MORAL DI-LEMMA'S. RECENTLY PROSECUTORS TRIED TO CONVINCE A JURY INTO NAILING A GUY WHO

DROVE A DRUNK FROM THE POLICE STATION TO WHERE POLICE LEFT HIS CAR. HE THEN WIPED OUT A FAMILY OF FOUR. PROSECUTORS COULD NOT MAKE THE JURORS FORGET THAT THE POLICE WERE MORE GUILTY THAN THE FRIEND BECAUSE THEY LET THE DRUNK GO FIRST AND DIDN'T TAKE HIS CAR AT THEIR ARREST OF HIM. THE JURORS WERE NOT TRICKED INTO THIS DESPITE THE FACT THAT POLICE GAVE THIS PRIVILEGED CHARACTER SPECIAL TREAT-MENT BY NOT TAKING HIS CAR, LETTING HIM MAKE A HIGH-SPEED SIGNATURE BOARD, LETTING HIM USE THE COP'S PHONE AND KNOWING HE WAS INTENT ON RECOVERING HIS CAR. THIS CONTINUAL QUEST FOR MORE POWER FOR THE ALREADY TOO-POWERFUL IS EVI-DENT IN HORRID DETAIL AS I WRITE. BUSA II AND COMPANY ARE THIS MINUTE DUPING AMERICAN CITIZENS INTO AN OBVIOUSLY DISASTEROUS WAR ON IRAQ THAT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY CAUSE DECADES OF GUERRILLA WARFARE TO COME STRAIGHT HERE FROM ISRAEL/PALES-TINE/ARABIA/AFRICA AND STAY HERE. STEALING MILLIONS AND THE ELECTION WAS NOT ENOUGH. HE WANTS TO PERPETUATE GLOBAL SNEAK-ATTACK WAR JUST SO HE CAN SACK UP OIL AND MUNITIONS PRICES EVEN MORE AND BECOME EVEN MORE SUPERBLY BEFORE HE IS FINALLY OUSTED AND LIVES SAFE IN HIS CASTLE WATCHING THE FIRESTORM HE CAUSED. ALL GOV'TS ARE LIKE BUSACO TO SOME EXTENT, AND THE ONLY THING THAT KEEPS THEM FROM EATING EVEN MORE OF OUR BABIES IS THE CHURL AND THEIR NEED TO BE SEEN IN IT TO GREASE MORE QUICKLY INTO THE SEARS OF POWER SINCE THEY HAVE TO FEIGN BELIEF IN GOD AND WEASEL AROUND HIS MORAL TENEMENTS LIKE "DON'T KILL, STEAL, LIE, FORNICATION, ETC, POLITICIAN'S PREDICATIONS ARE SOMEWHAT LESS AND OF SHORTER DURATION THAN THEY OTHERWISE WOULD BE.

HOW MUCH HUMAN RESOURCE IS LOST TO PERPETUATING THESE FRAUDS? WHAT IS THE ACTUAL COST OF RELIGION?

THOUGH ANY ASSESSMENT OF THE COST OF RELIGION IS BOUND TO BE MORE SUBJEC-TIVE THAN OBJECTIVE, THE ANSWER IS THAT PRODIGIOUS AMOUNTS OF HUMAN AND OTHER RESOURCES ARE WASTED IN THE PRACTICE OF RELIGION. A MINIMUM OF 30% OF THE ENTIRE WORLD'S POPULATION REGULARLY PRACTICE RELIGIOUS RITUALS. THIS ALONE TRANS-LATES INTO ABOUT 100 BILLION MAN-HOURS/YEAR DOWN THE HOLE ASSUMING THAT 1 HOUR/ WEEK/PERSON OF USELESS RITUAL IS PERFORMED ANNUALLY. THE SAME AMOUNT OF TIME USED PROFITABLY IN PUBLIC WORKS INSTEAD OF VENERATING A MYTH COULD TEAR CRITICAL THINKING TO MILLIONS OF CHILDREN, MAKING THEM LESS SUSCEPTIBLE TO VICTIMI-ZATION BY POLITICIANS, LAWYERS, MERCHANTS AND EVEN PEERS.

TEACHING USELESS MYTHOLOGIES IS ALSO A TRAGIC WASTE WHEN IT DOESN'T EVEN INVOLVE AT LEAST A MORAL PARABLE AS THE LESSON. ALSO, SELLING A FABLED RE-WARD AND FALSE HOPE PROBABLY MAKES MOST PEOPLE MORE APATHETIC AND LAZY IN THIS WORLD AS THEY MERELY COAST OUT TO THE "NEXT" WORLD. WORSE, PEOPLE WHO BUY INTO THE MYTH THAT GAINING CONVERTS NOW REAPS PARADISE AT ISR DEATH SPREAD THE ATTENTION OF RELIGION, CAUSING EVER GREATER LOSS OF PRODUCTIVITY IN USEFUL AREAS. FOR EXAMPLE, AS PEOPLE AGE, WE FEAR DEATH MORE. THERE ARE THOUSANDS, IF NOT MILLIONS, OF PEOPLE WHO ARE FRANTICALLY TRYING TO MAKE UP FOR MIS-SPENT YOUTH BY GRASPING FOR CONVERTS AS A WAY TO CLIMB THEIR WAY

FROM HELL TO HEAVEN. A COMMON WAY THIS OCCURS IS THROUGH THE THOUSANDS OF BIBLE STUDY COURSES OFFERED TO PRISONERS. THREE THAT I KNOW OF CONSIST OF AN EXTREMELY OLD FORMER BUSINESSMAN AND TWO SIMILARLY AGED WOMEN, ALL UNCONNECTED WITH EACH OTHER. THEY PUT OUT ADS IN PUBLICATIONS THAT FIND THEIR WAY INTO PRISONS AND DEATH ROW CAGES. THEY MINE THESE LONELIEST AND MOST DESPERATE PEOPLE, OFFERING "PEN PALS" AND RENDERING ONLY BIBLE STUDY. THEY

destruction." This has so far proven to be a ruse. But no one (in this country) seems to give a damn about that anymore. We are all just supposed to "support out troops" and not bring up the 17 unpleasant truth, which is that our government sent our sons and daughters to go murder many, many people in a quest for oil and power.

Most of the rest of the world is also aghast at our rogue state "shock and awe" aggression. You can't bomb and shoot your way to "security!" When you have embittered a whole people, the survivors will not forget what has happened. Might does not make right and professed "good intentions" which are nothing more than vile lies, do not wash to eternally suffering people.

We've opened Pandora's Box with these Sharon-style tactics. But then, we were always the biggest genosadist on the block! The Arabs feel that we are the "Great Satan" because we have invaded their countries and bombed them so savagely. Our "show of force" tanks entering Baghdad, are like Israel's tanks in the West Bank, on a colossal scale. We gun down demonstrators by the dozens and have had a hand in the suffocation and shooting of thousands of captured Taliban P.O.W's, ala Bosnia.

We're very strong militarily, but our credibility is weak and we're still only 5% of the world's population. Is it our legacy to be the world's death squad police force, with "shoot to kill" as our "policy?" Massive, heavy bombing and child murdering are what fascist governments force citizens of other countries to endure.

When Hitler invaded Russia, many welcomed them as "liberators" too - at first! But, you can't mass murder your way into someone's heart! Nor can you impose your "values" at gunpoint. There must come a point where the citizens at home refuse to be associated with such damning, ultra sinfulness.

It's good to see most all religions are taking a position for peace. The serious social problems are not going away here at home because of our "victory." Much money, resources and lives have been wasted by our government's reckless, callous, heartless policies. You reap what you sow. And remember - the U.S. started this terrible war!

A few weeks later, in a sea of flags and an ocean of lies, U.S. politicians are now crowing for "regime change" in Iran, a country of what, 45 million people?! Hitler wanted the Sudetanland, Czechoslovakia, Poland, France... Hitler was stopped at a horrific price in lives. Unfortunately, the U.S. was not! Not yet, that is.

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Hey.. Brothers and Sisters of the struggle.. May these.. My thoughts.. integrity and all sincere hopes.. find you all well.. whole and content.. I am, although captive.. all the above.. and yet I still strive daily.. This scribe and short labor of love for you all.. is one that has been on my heart and mind for some time now.. Through the married experiences.. here in captivity.. at the hands of these racist cowards.. I've come to the realization of what must be done for all Our survival.. Evolve Our Thought-Processes..

Our survival depends upon it.. The evolution of Our thinking will inevitably change Our actions.. Which will in turn gain Our freedom.. Now listen.. My Hue-Man Family.. We're all intelligent enuf to know that we don't have to act this way or that to be seen as the dignified beings we are.. Your character and integrity did not change simply because they locked you in a cage and called you "Animal".. now did it?? I didn't think so! A true warrior doesn't need display a pretentious act of his valor.. for it is the virtue of his integrity which drives him..

So.. SoulMaks.. what I propose to you all.. is to move as the serpent.. Disappear! Present to the devils the illusion that their immense egos wish to see.. Disguise Your Aura.. My Friends.. Chuck D. of P.E. said it best.. when they stated.. truthfully so.. that "The R-Evolution Will Not Be Televised!" In other words.. as with the slave abolitionists.. We must also build an underground network.. capable of propelling and.. must importantly.. Protecting Our own.. Don't.. You all see.. that the truest dictation of Our future (Our children) we are now separated from.. While they're (Kapitalists) gained the unhindered opportunities to program/train them for their own materialist avarices.. It's nice that we can communicate and share knowledge.. which is expedient to the change we seek.. but.. I'm one who's tired of talking.. Even behind enemy lines.. what good is knowledge.. whether brainwashings or consciousness.. if you can't.. or won't.. work to implement it and gain wisdom and understanding from the experiences of that action..

I'm a single father of two grade-school children.. and I've worked damn hard to gain the level of awareness I now possess.. And it has all been for them to truly be free.. So.. I have become resolute to make whatever strides necessary to get home to them and guide those of my family and community..

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IS VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE, BUT A MODERATELY EFFECTIVE TECHNIQUE IS TO ASSUME THAT THEY WHO PILE UP WORLDLY GOODS ARE LESS DEVOUT THAN THE POOR. OF THESE CHARLATANS ARE SECTS THAT PUT OUT THE FALSE NOTION THAT SCIENCE IS AGAINST RELIGION AND THAT SCIENTISTS ARE DEMONS ACTIVELY ENTICING PEOPLE INTO PERDITION. FACT IS, SCIENCE AND SCIENTISTS COULDN'T CARE LESS ABOUT THE BLUSTERING OF RELIGIONISTS EXCEPT TO PITY THEIR VICTIMS. THESE PERCIOUS DEBATES ABOUT EVOLUTION ARE NOTHING BUT RELIGIONISTS CREATING CONTENTION OUT OF NOTHING SO AS TO ATTRACT DONATIONS OR ACHIEVE PERSONAL FOLLOWINGS OR ENTRANCE INTO HEAVEN. THERE IS EXACTLY ZERO EVIDENCE OF ANY GODS EXISTENCE. EVERYTHING ABOUT THEM MUST BE TAKEN EXCLUSIVELY ON FAITH. THE MYTHOLOGY SURROUNDING GOD IS RIDICULOUSLY INCONSISTENT IN MANY PLACES, REQUIRING BELIEF IN SEVERAL OPPOSITE, MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE NOTIONS SIMULTANEOUSLY. EDUCATED PERSONS AS YOUNG AS AGE 12 HAVE OFTEN DEDUCED THE BARELY CONCEALED TRUE FUNCTION OF RELIGIONS AND COMMENTED ON THE FACT THAT GOD AND MYTHOLOGY ARE NO LONGER NECESSARY TO FORCE COMPLIANCE OF OBVIOUS GOOD-SENSE SOCIAL RULES. IN A PROSPEROUS, WELL-EDUCATED, MODERN SOCIETY IN WHICH WEALTH IS DISTRIBUTED EVENLY AND PROPERLY, GOD HAS OUTLIVED HIS USEFULNESS AND BECOME A HINDERANCE TO FURTHER PROGRESS. RELIGION HAS BEEN HIJACKED BY RICH GRATERS WHO USE IT TO FURTHER THEIR OWN DYNASTIES AT THE EXPENSE OF EDUCATION AND THE COMMON GOOD OF MAN. ALSO IT IS BEING USED TO PREVENT PROGRESS IN GENETICS, CLONING, POPULATION STABILIZATION AND IMMORTALITY. HENCE THIS ESSAY AND MY PITHFUL ATTEMPT TO SAVE THE FUTURE FROM SHORT-SIGHTED PERSONS WHO WOULD DRIVE US TO EXTINCTION WITH THEIR GREED, IGNORANCE AND MALICIOUSNESS.

SO: WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF RELIGION?

THE PRIMARY BENEFIT OF RELIGION IS ITS CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE VICTIMS OF PHYSICAL, GOV'T'L OR NATURAL DISASTERS AND MISFORTUNES. PHYSICAL MISFORTUNE MEANS EVERYTHING FROM DISEASE, GENETIC DEFECTS AND INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENTS TO EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN. GOV'T'L DISASTERS MEANS EVERYTHING FROM PRISON TO WAR TO MASSIVE ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL THEFT AND DEGRADATION AS IS HAPPENING TODAY. MODERN RELIGION HAS TRADITIONALLY CARED FOR AND DRAWN MEMBERS FROM PERSONS VICTIMIZED BY BIRTH, GOV'T OR "ACTS OF GOD". THE RICH AND RULING ELITE HAVE TRADITIONALLY BEEN GLAD TO HAVE RELIGION CLEAN UP AFTER THEIR GREED, CORRUPTION AND MALICE. RELIGION PROVIDES FOR CHILDREN, GIVING THEM A RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND OTHER SUPPORT, AND WOMEN MORE THAN MEN WHO ARE ABLE-BODIED YET SUFFERING THE SAME TYPES OF MENTAL AND ECONOMIC ANGUISH. ALL THIS FOR JUST CONVERSION TO THE FAITH AND NO MORE THAN 10% OF ONE'S YEARLY INCOME. RELIGION IS A TREMENDOUS BARGAIN COMPARED TO GOV'T'S VERSION OF THE SAME SERVICES. GOV'T'S REQUIRE OVER ALL A MINIMUM TAX RATE OF ABOUT 40%.

ANOTHER PRODUCT OF RELIGION IS THE EASING OF MENTAL ANGUISH THROUGH THE SALE OF HOPE WHERE NO HOPE OR VERY LITTLE HOPE EXISTS. PERSONS DYING OF FATAL WASTING DISEASES SUCH AS TUBERCULOSIS PRIOR TO MODERN THERAPIES OR HIV TODAY HAVE NO HOPE OF SURVIVAL. THOUGH IT IS UNKNOWN HOW MUCH GOOD IS DONE BY GIVING FALSE HOPE TO PERSONS IN TERMINAL, PAINFUL SITUATIONS, IT IS A FACT THAT FALSE HOPE PREVENTS THE ALLEVIATION OF PAIN AND ANGUISH THROUGH SUICIDE OF PRISONERS AND INVALIDS. THERE IS EVIDENCE THAT MANY SUCH VICTIMS OF MISFORTUNE REALIZE THAT THEY'RE BEING LIED TO BY RELIGIONISTS AND STILL CHOOSE TO CONTINUE LIVING, IF ONLY TO COMFORT THE RELIGIONIST AND LIVE UP TO HIS EXPECTATIONS. ALSO THERE IS THE FACTOR OF GOV'T'L HYSTERIA AGAINST PAIN RELIEVING DRUGS THAT FORCES PEOPLE TO ENDURE AND SUFFER MORE PAIN FOR LONGER PERIODS FOR COMPLETELY UNNECESSARY REASONS. (THERE IS NO REASON TO CARE THAT A DYING PERSON MAY ACQUIRE WHAT DRUG-COPS CALL "ADDICTION" BEFORE DYING) RELIGIOUS MINISTRATIONS APPEAR TO HELP LESSEN PAIN CAUSED BY SUCH MISBEGOTTEN GOV'T'L POLICIES AND MAY CAUSE PERSONS TO ESCAPE SUICIDE TOO.

ONE OF THE MAIN BENEFITS OF RELIGION I SEE IS THAT IT FUNCTIONS TO SOMEWHAT LIMIT THE MASS-MURDER AND GLOBAL DESTRUCTION GOV'T'S PERIODICALLY FORCE

AND BY NOT WASTING TOO MUCH EFFORT ON EACH OTHER. THE HINDU PROSPERED BY A MEANS 42
SIMILAR TO BUDDHISM, PLUS THEY WERE PROTECTED BY WATER AND EASILY-DEFENDED MOUNTAINS.
JUDISM, THE LEAST-FOLLOWED OF THE MAJOR REMAINING RELIGIONS, SURVIVES AS AN OFFSHOOT
OF CHRISTIANITY AND IS LARGELY PROTECTED BY IT FOR THIS REASON. MAJOR ADVANTAGES
CONFERRED UPON FOLLOWERS OF JUDISM INCLUDE A LARGE INVESTMENT IN THEIR CHILDREN, SUPER-
IOR CULTURAL AND FAMILIAL ORGANIZATION, GREAT USE OF HIGHER EDUCATION, SUPERB BUSINESS
SENSE, A UNIVERSAL REALIZATION THAT MEMBERSHIP IN THE GOVT OR MERCHANT CLASS IS
MUCH PREFERABLE TO MERELY WORKING FOR A WAGE, AND THE ABILITY TO MOST EFFICIENTLY
BUILD AND USE FORTUNES TO CREATE MORE ECONOMIC ADVANTAGE FOR THEMSELVES. THEIR
ABILITY TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF GOVT, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL APPENDAGES OF SOCIETY
MAKES THEM BOTH THE MOST SUCCESSFUL AND MOST PERSECUTED OF RELIGIOUS PRACTITIONERS.
PEOPLE ENVY TOO MUCH SUCCESS.

EVERY SUCCESSFUL RELIGION CONTAINS AT LEAST THESE TENENTS AS THEIR FOUNDATION:
THEY SELL A VERSION OF BIG-ROCK-CANDY-MOUNTAIN TO OBTAIN CONVERTS. PARADISE, HEAVEN,
REINCARNATION, NIRVANA, VALHALLA AND ELYSIUM ARE EXAMPLES OF THE CARROT
USED TO ENTICE USEFUL BEHAVIORS. EACH HAS A VERSION OF HELL TO BLUDGEON RE-
CALITRANT MEMBERS INTO ACCEPTING RULES AND DOMINION. EACH TEACHES A SET OF
MORAL, ETHICAL AND SPIRITUAL STANDARDS THAT MAKE SOCIETY LESS VIOLENT, LESS CON-
TENTIOUS, MORE COOPERATIVE AND HEALTHIER. PREDATION IS LIMITED TO OUTSIDERS
AND MINIMIZED AMONG BELIEVERS. EACH HAS AS A GOAL THE CONVERSION OF OUTSIDERS
AND TOLERANCE OF WELL-BEHAVED NEIGHBORS. EACH HAS AN HIERARCHICAL STRUCTURE,
AND THOSE AT THE TOP FEEL FREE TO CHANGE THE DOGMA ANY WAY THEY NEED
IN ORDER TO BENEFIT THEMSELVES OR THE "GREATER GOOD" DESPITE ANY PREVIOUS
GOD'S LAW. CONSIDERABLE EFFORT IS MADE TO FORCE THE NEW DOGMA AND OLD
DOGMA TO AGREE, AND IN THIS WAY RELIGION EVOLVES TO MEET NEW CIRCUMSTANCES
WITHOUT APPEARING TO CHANGE. ONE OF THE MORE RIDICULOUS EXTREMES THAT THIS WAS
PUT TO INVOLVED THE POPE AGREEING, CENTURIES TOO LATE, THAT THE EARTH IS NOT
THE CENTER OF THE SOLAR SYSTEM.

RELIGIONS USED TO BE A FORCE TO EFFECT RAPID ADOPTION AND SPREAD OF NEW
AND USEFUL TECHNOLOGIES. THEY GOT BOGGED DOWN IN GODS AND MYTHOLOGY AS MAN
BECAME MORE SOPHISTICATED AND REQUIRED BETTER EXPLANATIONS FOR MAKING
SENSE OF THE HOW AND WHY OF THE UNIVERSE AND WORLD. GODS AND DEMONS BE-
CAME MORE RIDICULOUS AS MAN LOST HIS FEAR AND LEARNED THAT EVERYTHING AP-
PARENTLY FOLLOWS LOGICAL, CONSISTENT PHYSICAL LAWS THAT HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH
SUPREME BEINGS. RELIGION RECENTLY TURNED INTO A FORCE TO PREVENT CHANGE, WHICH
IS WHY WE SUFFERED THE DARK AGES FROM 500 ~ 1500 A.D. CENTURIES OF WARFARE
AND DESTRUCTION FOUGHT OFF SCIENCE AND REASON, CAUSING DEATH AND PESTILENCE IN
WHAT WAS FORMERLY THE MOST TECHNOLOGICALLY ENLIGHTENED AREAS OF THE GLOBE. DOGMA
AND MYTHOLOGY WON, AND THE LOSERS DIED, SUFFERED UNSPEAKABLE TORTURES AND/OR
CHOSE TO PUBLICLY WORSHIP THE LOCAL GOD AND KEEP SCIENCE AND REASON WELL CONTAINED.

THAT WHICH WORKS IS NOT EASILY STAMPED OUT, AND IN THE PAST 500 YEARS
SCIENCE AND LOGIC WENT ITS OWN WAY AND PROSPERED. RELIGION HAS CONTINUED
TO OPPOSE MODERNITY AND TO INSIST IT HAS ALL THE ANSWERS. AT LEAST
30% OF EVERYONE ON THIS PLANET FERVENTLY BELIEVES MOST OR ALL OF A PAR-
TICULAR RELIGION. HARDER TO GUAGE IS THE PERCENTAGE OF PEOPLE WHO MERELY
FEIGN BELIEF AS A MEANS OF AVOIDING STRIFE. AS MANY AS 75% OF EVERYONE
BELIEVES SOME PARTS OF RELIGION AND IT IS THUS VERY DANGEROUS TO PROFESS
ATHEISM. TO DO SO IS TO INVITE ATTACK, CENSURE, INJURY, EVEN DEATH. DESPITE
THIS, 2% OF THE WORLD'S POPULATION HAS PUBLICLY ABANDONED ALL NEED OF GODS.
EVEN HARDER TO GUAGE IS THE PERCENTAGE OF PERSONS WHO FEIGN BELIEF IN OR-
DER TO USE RELIGION AS A TOOL TO MANIPULATE OTHERS. UNDOUBTEDLY THIS PER-
CENTAGE IS QUITE LARGE OWING TO MAN'S EXPLOITATIVE NATURE; THE VERY THING
RELIGION EVOLVED TO CORRECT. OBVIOUSLY RELIGION IS PRIMARILY ENERVATED BY
THE IGNORANT SINCERELY WISHING TO REAP ITS AFTERWORLD REWARDS AND BY THEY
WHO USE IT AS A TOOL TO EXPLOIT PEOPLE HERE. TELLING THE TWO GROUPS APART

Overstand 19
this - Brothas and Sustas - We -serve. NO purpose held
captive -but - as chattel. We are the peace lovers -the peace
bringers and the protectors of that peace. But -that being
the case - We must also know and realize that some-
times to secure and maintain that peace there must be
bloodshed -death and oftentimes war.

There's only
one reason why you're labled a criminal. Why??
because you're Aware!!! We're independent thinkers -that
which they fear most. We possess the power -in that
free thought - of self and the ability to imbibe others
with that same power. That -in and of itself - will be the
destruction of the imperialists' kapitalist society.

Our voices
have been heard and ignored for far too long. Give
yourselves every fighting chance you can -cause - the
imperialists want us to continue -in our swollen egos -
to try and fight 'em at these hushly disadvantageous
conspiracies against us. Insane! illogical!



Can
Physical freedom - Join up and continue the fight.
EVOLUTION! It is the law of change that commands the
order of Our Survival.

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Although the hasty helicopter exit from the rooftop of the U.S. embassy in Saigon looked like "defeat," the sinister U.S. government attained their main objectives in their lengthy aggression in Vietnam. Sure, they would have preferred to set up a puppet regime, like Marcos in the Philippines or Suharto in Indonesia, and tried to do that with unparalleled ferocity, but nonetheless were satisfied with their efforts.

For, had they been successful in crushing the insurgency, the bountiful natural resources and talented labor force of all of Southeast Asia could be exploited by U.S. corporations with minimal opposition. Also, an alternative system that wasn't dominated by U.S. imperialism would not have been realized. The biggest danger to U.S. policy makers, then as now, has always been the prevention of the emergence of functioning non-exploitation based economies, free from the tentacles of the U.S. They don't want to set a good example.

So, the main objective was to deny the Vietnamese (and the rest of Southeast Asia) the opportunity to free their country of foreign occupiers and establish an economy based on "communist" principles.

The tenacity of the Vietnamese proved too much for the continuing physical occupation by the U.S. forces. But, they were left with a toxically destroyed country with the great majority of their best people at the time, having been murdered. If the U.S. couldn't control it, they would ruin it for anybody else.

Vietnam had suffered 3,000,000 dead, countless wounded and a lush paradise of a country turned into a burned and poisoned wasteland. Agent Orange with dioxin was used heavily, as were similar chemical warfare agents, known as Agent Yellow, Blue, Red, etc. Millions of unexploded bombs littered the rice paddies. More Vietnamese people have died from these lethal reminders after the U.S. pulled out than all U.S. losses (57,000 dead) during the war!

Cancers, dreadful birth defects, stillbirths, miscarriages and a hideously poisoned ecology is left for them to suffer and die amidst, to this day and far into the future.

The paltry \$3 billion America had agreed to pay for war damages was summarily reneged upon. The U.S. placed sanctions on the finally liberated country and bullied others to stay away. The Vietnamese finally got their country back from the Chinese, the Japanese, the French and the Americans, but it was wasted.

Nearby, in Cambodia and Laos, the Khmer Rouge and the Pathet Lao also had the gall to fight the U.S. Their countries too were unmercifully

AROUND USEFUL KNOWLEDGE TO MAKE IT APPEAR THAT THEY UNDERSTOOD HOW IT WORKED. THEY LEARNED THAT SWAMPS MADE PEOPLE SICKEN AND DIE, WITHOUT KNOWING MOSQUITOES WERE THE PROBLEM. THEY DEDUCED THAT SICKNESS SPREAD VIA CONTACT WITH SICK PEOPLE WITHOUT KNOWING GERMS WERE THE CAUSE. THEY FIGURED OUT THAT PIGS WERE EVEN MORE PRONE TO PASSING ON PARASITIC WORMS THAN SHEEP, GOATS AND CATTLE BUT DIDN'T KNOW THE ORIGIN OF THE SICKNESS. FROM THESE GLIMMERINGS OF KNOWLEDGE AND INFORMATION ON THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN HEALTHY ENCLAVES AND DYING CLANS THEY CREATED MYTHOLOGIES AND LORE THAT "EXPLAINED" IT. THUS WE LEARNED THAT DEMONS INHABITED SWAMPS, QUARANTINE WORKED AGAINST SICK PEOPLE, STAGNANT WATER SHOULDN'T BE DRUNK, DEFECATING IN THE RIVER WAS BAD FOR PEOPLE LIVING DOWNSTREAM, AND "CLOVEN-HOOVED" ANIMALS SHOULDN'T BE EATEN.

THE CULTURES THAT WERE BEST AT SORTING THROUGH THE INFINITE CACOPHONY OF MYTH AND LORE TO FIND WHAT REALLY WORKED WERE THE CULTURES THAT PROSPERED. SOCIETIES THAT CHOSE TO BELIEVE DANGEROUS NONSENSE PERISHED OR SUFFERED GRAVE MISFORTUNE. WHERE DANGEROUS NONSENSE PERSISTS IN A CULTURE THERE IS A REASON FOR IT THAT DEPENDS ON SCIENCE, NOT DEMONS. MOSTLY, DANGEROUS NONSENSE QUICKLY DIES OUT OR NEVER SPREADS FAR IN THE FIRST PLACE. INNOCUOUS NONSENSE SPREADS RAPIDLY WHEN IT IS WRAPPED AROUND USEFUL INFORMATION OR TECHNOLOGY. THIS IS WHY THE SACRIFICE OF ANIMALS IS SELDOM PERFORMED EXCEPT IN PREPARATION OF A FEAST. THE GODS ARE NOT APPEASED BY WASTING FOOD, PLUS IT ANGERS THE POOR, BUT FESTIVALS PERFORM SOCIAL FUNCTIONS THAT PROMOTE THE EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION, TECHNOLOGY, ALLIANCES AND GOOD WILL. DANGEROUS NONSENSE SUCH AS WITCHCRAFT, VODDOO AND CANNIBALISM ARE ONLY PRACTICED BY ISOLATED GROUPS WHO HAVE NO ACCESS TO BETTER, MORE FUNCTIONAL BELIEF SYSTEMS. WERE IT NOT FOR THE INVENTION OF WRITING AND THE CONTINUOUS PRODUCTION OF IGNORANT CHILDREN SEEKING POWER, SORCERY WOULD HAVE DIED OUT CENTURIES AGO. FOOL-SEEKING AUTHORS KEEP THE NONSENSE ALIVE BY RE-INVENTING THE MYTHOLOGY OF IT EVERY FEW YEARS. TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THE IGNORANT IS A FULL-TIME OCCUPATION OF MOST ADULTS, ESPECIALLY, SINCE THERE IS A NEW CROP OF 85 MILLION POTENTIAL SUCKERS BORN EVERY YEAR. WE SPEND HALF OR MORE OF OUR SHORT LIVES TRYING TO SORT THE NONSENSE FROM THE USEFUL. IT IS A WASTE BEYOND COLLOSSAL THAT WE PERPETRATE PROVEN NONSENSE DESPITE HAVING THE TECHNOLOGY AND SCIENCE TO DISPEL IT AND KEEP IT FROM RETURNING TO WASTE MORE OF OUR TIME AND RESOURCES.

TECHNOLOGY AND SCIENCE HAVE PROCEEDED IN A DIRECT ROUTE TOWARD EVER MORE AND FASTER SUCCESS DESPITE ANY MYTH, RITUAL OR DEMON IT HAD TO TONALONG WITH THEM. FIRE BURNS, BUT IT ALSO KILLS PARASITES, PRESERVES FOOD, CAUTERIZES INFECTED WOUNDS AND KEEPS US FROM FREEZING TO DEATH IN WINTER. THOUSANDS OF DIFFERENT LANGUAGES OF GRANTS, CLANS AND SEXES COALESCED FROM THE BABBLE TO FORM THE ONLY TWENTY MAIN TONGUES SPOKEN TODAY. THE SAME CONDENSING OCCURRED WITH NUMBERS SYSTEMS AND SCRIPTS. THAT WHICH DIDN'T WORK WELL ENOUGH FELL INTO DISUSE AS SOMETHING THAT WORKED BETTER TOOK ITS PLACE. MYTHOLOGIES THAT DIDN'T SPREAD ADVANTAGE WELL ENOUGH FELL TO THOSE THAT DID. NOW MISBEGOTTEN MYTHOLOGIES HAVE TO BE PRESERVED FROM EXTINCTION LONG ENOUGH FOR ANTHROPOLOGISTS TO RECORD AND STUDY THEM SO WE CAN LEARN WHAT ADVANTAGE THEY ONCE CONVEYED THAT ALLOWED THEM TO PERSIST AS LONG AS THEY HAVE. NOW EVERY MYTH SYSTEM IS CRUMBLING INTO THE ABYSS OF EXTINCTION, INCLUDING THE LAST FIVE PRIMARY RELIGIONS THAT SUBSUMED OR REPLACED ALL OTHERS. ANTHROPOLOGISTS ARE WELL ON OUR WAY TO UNCOVERING THE MAIN ADVANTAGE EACH CONFERRED UPON ITS ADHERENTS. BUDDHISM, THE PHILOSOPHY FOLLOWED BY THE LARGEST POPULATION OF THE WORLD AND ALSO THE MOST CROWDED, TEACHES HOW TO BEST ENDURE CROWDING AND MAKE THE BEST OF SCANT RESOURCES. THIS IS WHY MOST ASIANS ARE SMALL, WELL-SPOKEN, COOPERATIVE AND PEACEFUL. THEY LEARNED LONG AGO THAT STRIFE, DESTRUCTION AND MASS KILLING IS NOT BENEFICIAL TO ANYONE IN THE LONG RUN. CHRISTIANITY TOOK OVER FROM THE ROMANS AND THUS EXPORTED ITS WINNING WAYS THROUGH CONQUEST OF WEAKER, MORE BACKWARD AND LESS ORGANIZED CONFEDERATIONS OF CITIES. ISLAM AROSE FROM UNDER THE HEEL OF CHRISTIANITY WHEN ITS WEIGHT BEGAN TO SLACKEN DUE TO DECADENCE. CONTENTION BETWEEN THE TWO ENLIVENED ONE AND REVIVED THE OTHER. ISLAM EXPANDED EAST AND SOUTH, CHRISTIANITY SET ROOTS IN THE NEW WORLD. BOTH PROSPERED BY TAKING RESOURCES FROM ELSEWHERE.

SURPRISES BY THROWING OUR SUPPER BONES OUTSIDE THE CAVE AS WE EMERGED AT DAWN TO HUNT AGAIN. AT NIGHT WE COULD HEAR THE PREDATORS SNARLING AND CRUNCHING ON OUR LEAVINGS. THE MORE CUNNING OF US DID NOT USE OUR SUPERIOR KNOWLEDGE TO SCOTCH THE MORE FRIGHTENED OF US. INSTEAD, WE MANIPULATED TO OUR ADVANTAGE BY CREATING GHOSTS AND MISCONCEPTIONS OUT OF MERE IGNORANCE AND INEXPERIENCE.

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THE FIRST OF THESE TOO-CLEVER MEN DREW POWER FROM OTHER'S FEAR BY LEARNING TO PROJECT FEAR ITSELF. THEY SAW THAT EVEN THE MIGHTY LION WOULD RUN WITH THE TIMID DEER IF THE BUSHES SUDDENLY THRASHED NOISILY IN AN ELEPHANTINE WAY. THEY LEARNED HOW THEY COULD CONVINCE THEIR FELLOW HUNTERS BY SIMPLY BEING LAST IN LINE AND SURREPTITIOUSLY FLINGING A ROCK TO NOISILY CRASH INTO THE THICKET AHEAD. THEY LEARNED THAT THEY COULD ELICIT RESPECT AND "EARN" FAVORS FROM WOMEN, CHILDREN AND OTHER HUNTERS BY BRIEFLY CHARGING OUT INTO THE NIGHT A FEW YARDS AND SCREAMING, THEREBY FRIGHTENING OFF THE SCAVENGERS BEFORE RUSHING BACK INSIDE TO SAFETY. SNEAKY, CUNNING, MANIPULATIVE PEOPLE LIKE THESE BECAME THE FIRST WITCHDOCTORS. THEY CREATED WITHIN THE MINDS OF THE TIMID AND GULLIBLE A PANTHEON OF EVIL AND BENEVOLENT SPIRITS TO FIT EACH SITUATION AS IT AROSE. THE EVIL CAT SPIRIT DIDN'T DRAG OFF ANYONE FROM THIS CLAN LAST NIGHT BECAUSE UGH FRIGHTENED IT AWAY. ANN IS ESPECIALLY SACRED TO THE BERRY SPIRIT BECAUSE SHE HAS THE GIFT OF BEING ABLE TO SMELL THEM OUT WHEN NO OTHERS CAN. OLD ROJ CAN FIND WATER WHEN THE WATER SPIRITS RETREAT DEEP INSIDE THE EARTH. ART CAN DRAW DIAGRAMS IN THE DUST THAT TELL US WHICH WAY AND HOW FAR TO GET WHAT WE NEED. CLIVE HAD A DREAM OF HOW TO USE A ROCK TO CARVE A VERY LONG FANG OUT OF AN ANTLER. PORTIA WAS VISITED BY THE LEAF SPIRIT AND SHOWN HOW TO FOLD TOGETHER A BARKED. ROB WAS GIVEN A WONDERFUL STONE-TIPPED THROWING STICK BY THE DEER GODS. THE PIY-CLAN LOST A HUNTER AND HIS NEWEST INVENTION WHEN HE WAS UNDOUBTEDLY SWALLOWED AWAY BY AN EVIL FOREST SPIRIT.

THE RISE OF WITCHDOCTORS WAS PARALLELED BY THE RISE OF GOD-TECHNOLOGY. IF YOU WERE MALE, ADULT, AND DIDN'T HAVE A SKILL, FRIEND OR A GOD TO PROTECT YOU, YOU WERE EATEN OR CAST OUT WHEN TIMES GOT TOUGH. THIS IS WHY MAN MOVED NORTH. EVEN THE EASY PICKINGS OF AFRICA CAN SUPPORT ONLY SO MANY. BACK THEN NO ONE FARMED, AND THERE WERE 4 TO 15 DIFFERENT BRANCHES OF HUMANITY COMPETING WITH EACH OTHER. DURING EACH OF SEVERAL KNOWN MIGRATIONS OUT OF AFRICA, EACH WENT NORTH TO GRAB A LITTLE EXCESS POPULATION INTO THE COLD OF REAL WINTER. HARDSHIP AND NEED FORCES INVENTION AND SOPHISTICATION. DRY FORESTS CAUGHT FIRE, AND FIRE WAS FOUND TO BE USEFUL IN PROVIDING WARMTH. THEN IT WAS FOUND THAT COLD, DRY SMOKE PRESERVED FOOD FROM SPOILAGE. PEOPLE WHO DIDN'T EAT RAW MEAT SOMEHOW LIVED LONGER THAN THOSE WHO DID. PEOPLE WHO LIVED BY RIVERS ALWAYS HAD WATER TO DRINK. THOSE WHO THREW THEIR KIDS IN THE RIVER HAD MELONS GROW NEARBY, AS IF BY MAGIC. TO THIS DAY MANY A HUNTER LEAVES HIS SPOOR DEEP IN THE WOODS AS A PATCH OF "WILD" TOMATO PLANTS, FIDLY SAYING SUCH AS "YOU ARE WHAT YOU EAT" GROWN OUT OF IGNORANCE AS A WAY TO TAKE CREDIT FOR THIS PHENOMENON. WE DIDN'T KNOW WHY OUR FAVORITE PLANTS GREW THICKER AROUND US THE LONGER WE LIVED IN SUNNY, WET PLACES, BUT WE BUILT MYTHS TO EXPLAIN THAT WE PLEASED THE GODS WHEN WE SPILLED SEEDS, THREW OUR TRASH IN CERTAIN PLACES AND COVERED OUR DROPPINGS. SOCIAL GROUPS WHO MET IN GOOD WILL SHARED THIS TECHNOLOGY AND DISPERSED. KNOWING MAN'S NATURE TOWARD "BUSINESS," MEN OF CUNNING SOUGHT OUT THE INVENTIVE AND THE CLEVER OF EACH VISITING CLAN AND STRIVE TO OBTAIN FROM THEM TECHNOLOGIES THAT COULD BE PUT TO PERSONAL ADVANTAGE WITHOUT RETURNING ANYTHING OF COMPARABLE VALUE. THIS IS THE AGE-OLD SECRET OF BUSINESS: BUY LOW, SELL HIGH.

PEOPLE WHO ARE MERELY CLEVER ARE INVENTORS, COGNITORS AND SCIENTISTS. PERSONS OF TRUE ANIMAL CUNNING EVOLVED FROM WITCHDOCTORS, MAGICIANS, AND HIGH PRIESTS TO BECOME BUSINESSMEN, LAWYERS AND POLITICIANS. THE CULT OF SHAMANS BUILT CONVINCING MYTHS

bombed into desolation with countless people being slaughtered. For, and their puppet regimes could not keep their people adequately suppressed, either.

The Khmer Rouge insurgents, led by the evil Pol Pot, sustained an astronomical casualty rate of 95% - 19 out of 20, during their death march towards Pnom Penh. Their orgy of death, once in power, no doubt mirrored the carnage inflicted upon them. The survivors sought vengeance and since the Americans had left, they punished Cambodia. After 1978, when Vietnam put an end to this sick "killing fields" regime, then president Jimmy Carter, the latest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize, clamored in the U.N. that the Khmer Rouge butchers were the "legitimate" government of what was now called Kampuchea!

Carter also moved the death squad trainers to hotspots throughout Africa and Central and South America and proclaimed the policy that the Persian Gulf was of vital U.S. interest, essentially claiming it. His people also helped to build up people like Osama bin Laden and other extremists to go after Russia in Afghanistan and help bleed that country of people and resources. So, although "defeated" in Vietnam, the U.S. military was very busy throughout the world, suppressing revolutions and solidifying fascist repression regimes. For this, he was known as too "peaceful" and "weak" and was thus replaced by the even more bellicose Reagan regime. Who can forget the "October Surprise" election?

Back to Southeast Asia, after the U.S.'s withdrawal, these countries lay in ruins, pregnant with unexploded bombs and deadly toxins. Many many people lay dead and wounded. The infrastructure was pulverized, the jungles decimated, the rice fields filled with bombs and poisons. So, even the most conscious and dedicated revolutionaries, forcibly isolated from the rest of the world, would find the task of rebuilding and creating a functioning egalitarian socio-economic society, pretty close to impossible, under these indescribable conditions.

So, the main goal of making sure a non-exploitation based society couldn't or wouldn't flourish, was attained, hence "victory."

The leaders of most regimes would love to bully and exploit their neighbors and even other countries halfway across the world, but are tempered from doing so (usually) because they know the U.S. (and in some instances Russia or China) won't let them and may hold them "accountable" to some extent. It's like infringing on some powerful pimp's prostitutes. Only the U.S. is free from such restraints. They exempt themselves and their armies from any accountability and recoil the world in horror with frequent "death from above" mass bombings, accompanied not by remorse, but rather, amoral arrogance and conceit.

The U.S. not only "gets away" with genocidal mass murder of 22 whoever it wants to so assault, but also uses the very real threat of such a horrible attack to keep people and governments in check, meaning their economies cannot be run for the benefit of their own citizens, but rather must be geared to facilitate the convenient transference of cheap raw materials and sweatshop (slave) labor to U.S. corporations.

The U.S. with 5% of the world's population usurps 30% of the world's resources, while caging 25% of the world's prisoners. The rest of the world's 6 billion people are on a sort of permanent lockdown of economic and often, political and military subjugation. Their people may be starving to death or dying from preventable diseases or just hovering near death in squalid shantytowns. It doesn't matter. Whatever real wealth they have, goes torrenting to the U.S.

Getting back to the Vietnam situation, many other "benefits" for the U.S. masters were attained. The huge "drug problem" now experienced in the U.S. got great stimulation from the "golden triangle" in Southeast Asia.

Air America, controlled by the CIA and during the Vietnam "era" the largest airline in the world, sent hundreds of tons of heroin to addict young people in America. Sometimes the drugs were hidden in dead G.I.'s bodies! A nation more and more in revolt (America) became a society on dope.

This undermined resistance, pitted young and working people against each other instead of uniting against a common enemy and made it easy for the government to arrest and neutralize those it felt threatened by. Huge profits by those involved (and banks) were realized. A lucrative punishment industry was exponentially expanded with unlimited raw material (drug war prisoners) now available at any time. Plus, the government helped themselves to the assets of these victims. Entrepreneurial capital was no problem, as the whole business was funded and paid for by non-incarcerated citizens (taxes.)

The most serious undermining of the U.S.'s genocidal war effort in Vietnam came not from civilian protesters or even small cells of armed fighters, but from the conscripted grunts, themselves. Many officers were fraggged and many orders were not obeyed. They frequently rotated soldiers in and out of Vietnam to keep the rebels in check. Many soldiers became addicts and once spilled back onto American streets, were picked up and locked up. By the mid to late 70's, more than 1/2 of all U.S. prisoners were Vietnam veterans. Welcome home!

Talib Rasheed made a very astute point in one of his excellent essays.

EN SCOUNDRELS THAT THEY CAN'T MAKE US SALUTE THEM, SO THEY ASK A DABRA THE APPEARANCE OF SANCTITY IN A FLAG AND FORCE US AS KIDS - ON TO SALUTE IT! THEY USE RELIGION THE SAME WAY, AND WE BELIEVE THEY BELIEVE IN IT SIMPLY BECAUSE THEY CAN CONSISTENTLY PRODUCE A FAÇADE OF PIOUSNESS. FAÇADE IS, THOUGH, IF GOD EXISTED HE'D BE SO OUTRAGED AT THE BLASPHEMY HIS NAME IS USED FOR THAT HE'D MAKE CERTAIN THE POLITICIAN'S THREATS ERUPTED BRIMSTONE AT THEM, I.E. WITHOUT THE OPIUM OF PATRIOTISM AND RELIGION, WOULD THE SHEEPLE SUD- DENLY BECOME ERECT AND REALIZE THAT THE GLUTTONS OF PRIVILEGE ARE EATING US ALIVE? IS THE SUPER OF IGNORANCE SO THICK UPON US THAT, EVEN RELIEVED OF PATRI- OTISM AND RELIGION, WE'D STILL NOT FIND THE ENERGY TO FIX THIS WORLD? CRUEL AS IT IS TO LET CROOKS STEAL THIS, OUR ONE AND ONLY WORLD, FROM US BY PROMIS- ING US A HEAVENLY EXISTENCE AFTER DEATH ON A NON-EXISTENT WORLD, WE SHOULD ASK HARD QUESTIONS ABOUT RELIGION, SUCH AS: DO ANY GODS EXIST?

NO. THE CONCEPT OF GOD AROSE FROM THE COLLISION OF CONSCIOUSNESS, LUCK, IG- NORANCE AND CUNNING. (SEE: SCIAM.COM ISSUES 9-98 + 1-00) LONG BEFORE THE FIRST MIGRATION OF MAN'S ANCESTORS AND COUSINS OUT OF AFRICA WE WERE JUST ANOTHER LINK IN THE FOOD CHAIN THAT LED TO THE TOP PREDATORS SUCH AS SNAKES, CATS, BEARS AND WOLVES ETC. WE SUCCEEDED BY FORMING MORE EXTENSIVE SOCIAL GROUPS THAN JUST FAMILIES, AS WAS THE CASE WITH MOST OTHER SUCCESSFUL ANIMALS. SPEECH EVOLVED FROM MERE SHRIEKS AND GROWLS THAT INDICATED DANGER OR OPPORTUNITY. SPEECH AND CONSCIOUSNESS EVOLVED IN TANDEM, INCREASING IN POWER AND COMPLEXITY WITH EACH GENERATION AS MEN EXCELLED AT LEARNING AND PROSPERED AS THOSE DEFICIENT AT IT DIED OFF.

WORKING OUR WAY UP TO THE TOPMOST CARNIVORE POSITION, OUR HUNTERS EXTERMIN- AIED, ATE AND MORE MOST OF OUR COMPETITORS UNTIL NOW ONLY THE PUNIEST REM- NANTS STILL SURVIVE IN ISOLATED POCKETS. SOME OF US DIED GETTING THERE AND WE STOOD OVER THEIR CORPSES CRYING AND WAILING AND ASKING "WHY?" WE DIDN'T KNOW WHY OUR FAMILY MEMBERS OR FRIENDS GOT GORED AND WE DIDN'T, OR WHY A LUCKY THROW THAT SHOULD HAVE MISSED SOMEHOW SAVED US FROM STARVING. WE COULDN'T DIDUCE WHY PLANTS GAVE US FOOD OR WHY WE HAD TO TAKE IT FROM ANIMALS. WE WORRIED ABOUT OUR OWN IMPENDING DEATH AND SOUGHT DESPERATELY FOR A WAY TO AVOID IT FOREVER. NOBODY WAS ANSWER- ING THESE QUESTIONS, AND THE PROSPERITY OF FULL BELLIES LEFT A LOT OF TIME TO COWER IN DARK HOLES AND THINK WHILE INTENSELY LISTENING FOR DANGER UN- TIL THE SUN RETURNED WITH OUR COURAGE.

AFTER EACH NIGHT WONDERING IF WE WOULD EAT OR GET EATEN, THE SUN LOOKED PRETTY GOOD. WE DON'T HAVE MUCH OF A DEFENSE AGAINST CARNIVORES THAT KILL AT NIGHT, LIKE LEOPARDS AND LIONS, SO DARKNESS WAS PARTICULAR- LY TERRIFYING AS IT SAUT OFF OUR VISION. OUR EARS TRIED TO PENETRATE WHERE OUR EYES COULDN'T. EVERY UNEXPECTED CREAK OF BRANCH AND RUSTLE OF LEAVES BROUGHT NEW TERROR AS OUR EYES TRIED TO SEE WHAT OUR EARS TOLD US WAS JUST BEYOND THE INKY JUNGLE SHADOWS. HALF OF US ARE 20% SMALLER THAN THE OTHER HALF, LESS MUSCULAR AND RANGE OVER A SMALLER AREA. THUS WOMEN HAVE MORE REASON TO BE FEARFUL AND LESS EXPERIENCE OF WHAT IS WORTHY OF FEAR. MEN LEARNED TO MIMIC ANIMAL SOUNDS TO TRICK THEM WITH- IN RANGE OF ASSAULT. DESIRING FAVORS FROM WOMEN, THE MORE CLEVER OF MEN USED THIS KNOWLEDGE TO FRIGHTEN BOTH WOMEN AND COMPETING MALES AND TO MAKE THEM GRATEFUL FOR OUR COURAGE AND STRENGTH. A BAND OF MEN IN BROAD DAYLIGHT FLAILING WITH STICKS IS PLENTY TO MAKE THE BIGGEST BEARS AND CATS TO MOVE OFF TO EASIER PREY. PYTHON'S, THOUGH, HAVE INFARRED PITS THAT LET THEM SEE BODY HEAT IN THE DARK. LEOPARDS AND LIONS CAN SEE THROUGH THE DARK BETTER THAN WE CAN TOO. ALSO, CANINES AND FELINES OFTEN HUNT IN PAIRS TOO. SMART MEN MOVED OUT OF THE TREES AND INTO CAVES THAT COULD BE CLEARED OF DANGER AND MORE EASILY DEFENDED. WE LEARNED TO AVOID NASTY

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TODAY IS 9-11-02, A YEAR AFTER THE SUCCESSFUL ARAB COUNTERATTACKS ON THEIR WORST OPPRESSORS; THE PENTAGON AND THE TWIN TOWERS OF MONEYCHANGERS. I'M WATCHING AMERICA, IN THE FORM OF A FLAG-DRAPE BALD EAGLE, FLY ASS-FIRST INTO THE FUTURE. I'M WATCHING AMERICANS PUT SUCH AN INANE POSITIVE SPIN ON THINGS THAT THEY ARE BLINDED TO THE SHIP OF STATE HAVING BEEN HIJACKED BY CORPORATE THIEVES AND STEERED INTO THE CHARIBDIS OF NEVER-ENDING GUERRILLA WAR AND THE SCYLLA OF EVER WORSE POVERTY AND FEAR. AFTER WITNESSING FIFTY YEARS OF HISTORY PROCEED FROM GOOD TO WORSE, THIS DECADE HAS PLUMMETED FASTER FROM BAD TO WORSE THAN ANY OTHER. LET'S RECOUNT SOME OF WHAT ALL THIS POSITIVE THINKING HAS GOTTEN US:

IN THE POPULARITY CONTEST BETWEEN THE LIAR AND THE BUFFOON FOR PRESIDENT WE GOT THE GREATER OF TWO EVILS THIS TIME, AND IT SHOWS. IT'S IRONIC THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO STEAL THE ELECTION AND THIS COUNTRY BY FALSELY BRANDING LEGITIMATE VOIERS AS FELONS. IF OUR JUDICIAL SYSTEM WORKED ON THE HEREDITARY RICH CLASSES, BUSH, CHENEY AND COMPANY WOULD THEMSELVES BE SERVING LENGTHY SENTENCES FOR MASS THEFT, EMBEZZLEMENT, FRAUD AND WAR CRIMES.

TWENTY YEARS AFTER THE LAST PRESIDENTIAL MEGATHIEF (REAGAN'S SAVINGS AND LOAN "DEREGULATION", STOCK MARKET MANIPULATION AND HUD SCANDAL) THE CURRENT MEGATHIEFS BEGAN TO EXPLODE DUE TO CONCEALED DEBT REVEALING CRIMINAL MASS (HARBURTON, MARKEN, XEROX, GLOBAL CROSSING, AMTRAK, WORLDCom, ENCLONE, ARIAN ANDERSON, ENRON, ETC.). SIXTY-EIGHT PERCENT OF ALL OUR FEDERAL POLITICIANS WERE FOUND TO BE ON THE ENRON ROLL, YET NOT A SINGLE ONE OF THEM HAS THE SLIGHTEST CHANCE OF GOING TO JAIL FOR IT. THEY'RE ALL NOTHING BUT RICHER FOR HELPING GANG-RAPE INVESTORS, TAXPAYERS AND CALIFORNIA WITH FRAUD, PENSION-THEFT AND DEREGLATORY ROLLING BLACKROOTS USING SLEAZY NEW LEGAL TECHNOLOGY TO LIE-UP ENERGY PRICES SKY-HIGH. (THESE LEGAL RAPE INVENTIONS WORKED SIMILARLY TO REAGAN'S LAND-FLIP SCHEMES AND TECHNICALLY WERE OUTLAWED TWENTY YEARS AGO: FBI LOT OF GOOD LAW DOES WHEN THE RICH SIMPLY IGNORE LAW WITHOUT ANY POSSIBILITY OF EVER GETTING PUNISHED FOR IT!)

THE POLITICIAN'S MEDIA PUMP OUT FOOTAGE OF THESE GOV'T THIEVES PIOUSLY POUNDING THE RETURN IN MOCK OUTRAGE OVER THE THEIEVERY OF THEIR MERE CORPORATE BRETHREN. WE, THE SLEEPER, MIMIC THE GOVCRAITS, APPARENTLY UNABLE TO GRASP THE FACT THAT THE ONLY DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GOVCRAITS AND BIZCRAITS IS WHO HAPPENS TO ENJOY GOV'T EMPLOYMENT AT THE TIME.

HAVING LEARNED MILLER'S LESSON WELL, THE GOVBIZ ALLIANCE STEADILY AND EXPERTLY, EXPLICIT OUR FEAR AND IGNORANCE BY SHIFTING OUR ATTENTION AWAY FROM OUR OWN RAPE BY THEM TO THEIR RAPE OF OTHER COUNTRIES. PROFESSIONAL CROOKS HAVE HAD US SHIVERING IN TERROR UNDER OUR DESKS FOR DECADES BY SHRIEKING THE WAR-WORD NON-STOP. (ATOMIC WAR, COLD WAR, DRUG WAR, CRIME WAR, TERROR WAR, ETC) WAR IS TERROR, AND THEY'LL BE GETTING RICHER AND MORE POWERFUL OFF THEIR WAR WORD FOR DECADES MORE DUE TO THEIR SECRET, UNDECLARED WAR ON AMERICAN CITIZENS WHO DON'T INHABIT THE PRIVILEGED CLASSES: THAT'S THE TOP 1% CONTROLLING THE BOTTOM 99%. MYSELF, I'M A LITTLE TIRED OF THE CAULDRON CALLING THE TEACUP BLACK. THEY KEEP THE IGNORANT ROWING IN UNISON AS THE SLAVEMASTERS BEAT A RHYTHM OF PATRIOTISM AND PRAYER. THEY'RE SUCH BRAZ-

This bloodthirsty, amoral regime must keep re-inventing itself along with its depraved "values" into the consciousness of each new generation. 23

The glorying of the mass slaughter by the U.S. in WWII, Korea and elsewhere was replayed in Vietnam.

Military brass got hands-on training in murder techniques, use of modern weapons and turned many young men into trained government killers. Much money was made making weaponry and supplies for this lengthy, extremely expensive taxpayer paid for decade-plus long aggression. New technologies were developed which further wedded the government, the manufacturers and the universities.

The techniques and experience that the military learned to torture and murder people in Vietnam (Phoenix Program, pacification programs, strategic hamlets, free fire zones, etc.) were adapted for the rest of the world. They sent instructors (as did Israel) to train their Central and South American counterparts in the finer arts of how to make a people suffer - Argentina, Chile, Mexico, Nicaragua, Guatemala, El Salvador, Uruguay, Paraguay, Bolivia, etc., etc.

In fact, these sadists were elevated to hero status by U.S. policy makers. The Contras terrorizing Sandinista Nicaragua had a unit called the "Jeanne Kirkpatrick Brigade." Depraved criminals engaged in this butchery were deemed "freedom fighters." They raped and disemboweled, beheaded and otherwise tortured people like rural health care workers, school teachers, peasants, workers and so on.

The U.S. overlords down there also got the cocaine flowing into the inner cities of America, destroying what was left, after the domestic corporations pulled up stakes and ditched out on living wage jobs for the super-exploitation of 3rd world labor. Boys and girls were (and still are) forced to slave 16-18 hours a day for next to nothing in these raging death squad countries, called "fledgling democracies" by the U.S. I recommend you wash your new designer outfit before you wear it the first time - to wash the blood out. It's the "magic" of the "free market!"

See, none of the arch criminals involved in the millions of murders perpetrated in Vietnam and elsewhere were ever held accountable. Nixon, Kissinger, McNamara, Westmoreland - none of them were even remotely bothered about it. Instead, they're fawned over millionaires.

Colin Powell, one of today's major war criminals, re-upped in Vietnam five times!!! He couldn't get enough of "killing gooks." He and other generals would have contests to see how many people they could kill in "free fire zones." It was all about racking up huge "body counts." It was all about "pride" and "serving your country." G.I.'s would stand and pose ever so proudly, next to huge piles of corpses.

stacked like cordwood, wearing their necklaces of human ears, much ²⁴
like the Turks did, during their pre-WWI genocide of the Armenians.

With businesses moving out of country to set up sweatshops overseas, the ever-expanding prisons can't keep up the warehousing of people (of color mainly) that the U.S. has deemed expendable. Killing them here in America would be too troubling. So, they offer them an option. Be hammered into an obedient wage-slave, become a prisoner or join the military and do the overseas killing for the government.

We didn't need a draft anymore, so the privileged white wouldn't have to worry, go to college, split to Canada or protest (or think) anymore. They'd be the preferred wage-slaves and be allowed to waste their lives with a consumerist culture and somnambulize themselves in their atomized lives in a demented society - choking on product. They could learn their politics by listening to Rush Limbaugh, go to work in their souped-up trucks (and menace cars to and from work) drink heavily, abuse women and children, be racist flag-wavers and die happy.

The media, now the plaything of a small handful of mega-conglomerates would do and say what government spokesmen told them to do and say. All the mainstream media would fall into lockstep - "embedded" in lies and lack of serious analysis. Dissenters were now either "terrorists" or in "gangs" or both.

The history of Vietnam would simply not be taught. Only a few who dug deep would learn the truth and the consequences of knowing and dealing with this truth would be very frightening.

Lies would serve as truth. Today the headlines were about thousands of bodies found in central Iraq. These are Shiite victims of Saddam Hussein's killers, after the carnage in '91. What isn't explained is how

evil puppets to do. We have to be responsible for changing what is going on in this country. We have to be the ones ³⁷
who stop Big Brother in his tracks! It's up to us to turn this whole thing around! We must summon our collective morality, clear our throats and set to work! Simple as that!

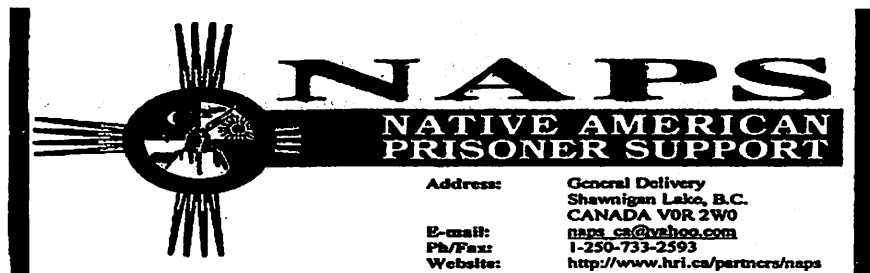
It's all about resolve. It's about doing the right thing and having the faith that we'll have each other to rely upon. It's about figuring out the best way we can apply in practice the power of love that beats in our hearts. Look out, world, because we're gonna show what the Southside of Chicago is truly all about! Anything is possible, with the willpower of Southside soul! Like Frederick Douglass said, back in 1857 "Without Struggle, There is no Progress." So, let's get it on!

In that spirit, we have created an umbrella group of organizations, we are calling SOUTHSIDE CITIZENS' COALITION, composed of dedicated community activists, church groups, environmentalists, grassroots organizers, gang interventionists, prisoner supporters, family members and other concerned citizens. Notice I said "citizens!" We will not be beholden to the political or business powers that be, what-so-ever! We have our integrity to consider!

Before I pipe down and allow other speakers to deal more specifically and mayhaps more calmly with the issues, I also want to mention this. We ask for your help. We need you - the citizens of Robbins, the citizens of Harvey, the citizens of Chicago Heights, people from all over this place, to step forward and volunteer to offer your insight and your energy. We want to initiate survival programs for those who need help immediately, whether they need food or clothing, or shelter, toys for their children - whatever! We need to offer our support for victims of violence, whether it's being caused by the police, so-called "gangs" or in the home. We need to learn from each other and teach each other. We need to step forward! We have several sign-up sheets!

In closing, I'd like to butcher a paraphrase from Mahatma Gandhi. He said something like, "At first they ignore you, then they laugh at you, then they fight you and then you win!" Well, try as they might, we cannot be ignored. We're also busy wiping the arrogant smirk off their faces. We are definitely in a war and it's now time to respond to the bugle call. The world's future is in our hands! It's time to spread the love - South Chicago Style! Thankyou very much.

Anthony Rayson, Concerned Southside Citizen



the U.S. orchestrated this evil bloodletting, like a massive Sabra and Shatila! They got Saddam to do their killing!!

Lies instead of truth. Support the troops. Wave that flag - that blood-soaked flag of slavery. Red is for blood and carnage. White is for racism, sexism and greed. Blue is for suffering and death...

The truth will set you free, even though it is almost unbearably brutal nowadays! We all have unique talents that we deserve to share and learn from. We have to stand up to the bullies, whether they be physical or psychological. Lies must become a thing of the past. *Nothing* can stop the loving truth! Those with the least, can often see the clearest. The meek must become strong, not to just "inherit" the world, but to actually, liberate it! It starts right here!

Things aren't just good and evil. Complicated forces are in play that influence and effect how things come down. Earthly reality is explicable. Lies, distractions, intimidation and noise can be sifted through and the empowering truth can be evaluated and strategies can be formulated and correcting actions can be taken and defended. We have no choice. We have to explain the problems and fight the fights. We have to become the force for change!

It's not an incomprehensible nor hopeless situation, by any means. In fact, once each and every one of us gets busy and begins to discover and offer our unique contributions to and for each other, life takes on another dimension. I can only liken it to the thrill experienced by new parents. Many of you know about the exponential leap your life has taken, once *that* happened! *Praise the Lord*, indeed! Life itself! What a miracle!* It's proper parenting into the future is our joyous lifelong obsession - our most important duty! We are the stewards for our children's future viability. We're the present-day ancestors, we all revere.

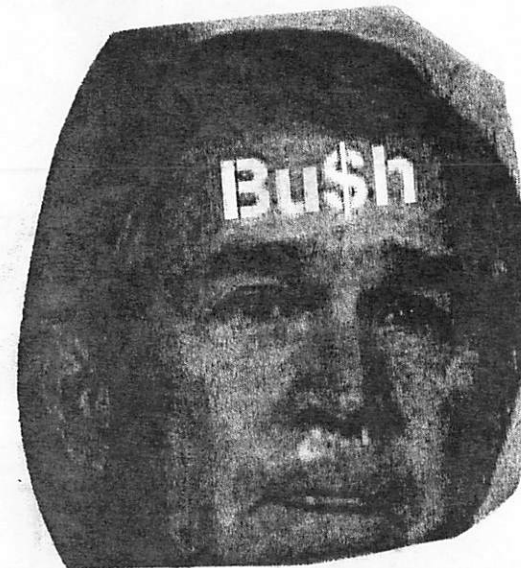
We've gotta cross the *fear line*. It's there and it's very scary. We need to feel and experience the adage that "we have each other." We don't need the television or all the other junk that is shoved down our throats, used to keep us from thinking genuinely and productively about things. We need to learn how to think in unselfish ways, useful, insightful *enlightened* ways, which will nourish our lives in ways that every penny of Bill Gates' money could never buy! To work in solidarity with others with the goal of genuine inclusive social justice, is living life at its most thrilling and rewarding!

People all over the world are by necessity, doing the same thing - fighting, struggling, building community. They are looking to us to show the way. They love us American citizens and they feel for what we are going through, but they're afraid of what our government will do or allow their

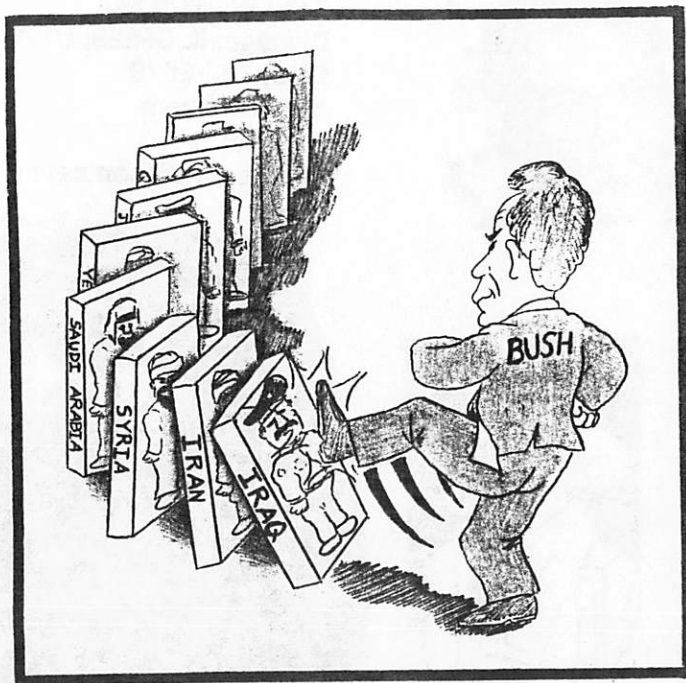


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13 Iraqis killed at protest



Iraqis in Fallujah harangue a U.S. soldier Tuesday in the aftermath of Monday's gunfight that left 13 people dead. Kyodo News photo by Takuro Yabe



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Song: BOMB IRAQ
Sung to the tune of "If You're Happy And You Know It
Clap Your Hands"

If we cannot find Osama, bomb Iraq.
If the markets hurt your Mama, bomb Iraq.
If the terrorists are Saudi
And the bank takes back your Audi
And the TV shows are bawdy,
Bomb Iraq.

Every black person in America has family members living in cages! The rate of incarceration for so-called "white 35 people" is much higher than any country in Europe, as well! It's an out and out, "War on the Poor!" The punishment industry is about the only business in America that is growing - that and the military! It seems the only jobs our children have to look forward to, are as prisoners, prison guards or in the military! This is absolutely and totally unacceptable!

Drug addiction, despair, hopelessness and lack of opportunities are not crimes! They are serious social problems. The solution is not to shove people into prison! In fact, the crime is the punishment! The real criminals are never prosecuted! The people who steal billions and kill people in droves run the institutions! There is no accountability for prosecutors, judges and other gatekeepers to the gulags. Only the little guy is slammed!

Slavery never ended! Sweatshop slavery, sexual slavery, wage slavery and prison slavery are everywhere - all over the world, including all over America! Governments throughout the world have their guns pointed at their own people. Ours is no different! They're busy right now ripping up the Bill of Rights and building new prisons!

Who is benefitting from all this plundering? Who is doing all this evil to everybody? More importantly, why are we allowing it to happen? "Same old, same old" has got to be stopped! If we don't stand & rise up, it'll just get much worse!

People are highly social creatures. We thrive in eachother's company, helping eachother and loving eachother and sharing what we all have. A healthy community is much like an evolving family. We naturally concern ourselves with the well-being and happiness of eachother's lives, which in turn, enriches our own lives.

But, in today's environment, we are atomized, fearful and suspicious of eachother and bombarded with images of violence. There are reasons we are being diverted from living normal, thinking, loving lives. There's a method to the madness of official lies! Dischord translates into weakness.

We must re-discover our souls and those around us. We have a lot to offer eachother and can't progress and live in harmony groping through life by our lonesome selves! We must help eachother overcome our fear. For when we do that, our valuable potentials can become fully released!

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Greetings! I want to thank Bishop Brewton and everybody else who helped make this possible and to all our Sisters and Brothers who managed to make it here, today. Many more would have liked to have come, so we all must make a point to report back about what was said and done. I take the opportunity to set the table for our fine speakers as a solemn duty to tell the undiluted truth!

We are at an historic, crisis situation on the Southside and around the world. It's like shortly before the Civil War, only much graver! We must assume the moral courage and steadfast dedication of the Abolitionists of yesteryear. Only by the strength of hardworking *citizens*, working together, can we hope to solve our problems and offer our children a legitimate future, full of hope and promise.

Make no mistake, the system has failed us *miserably!* A society based on greed has overwhelmed our institutions. The politicians are out of touch with the people. The economic system can only be described as extreme capitalism. Greed, corruption, and social decay are rampant! Racism, ignorance and madness are reaching a crescendo! Those keeping us down, do not live in a desert, somewhere! A revolution in homegrown morality must occur. The world is looking to the American people for salvation - from the threat of the American government!

America comprises 5% of the world's population, yet usurps 30% of the world's resources - six times our share! Yet, poverty, hunger, destitution, homelessness and fear are all around us! Two billion people all over the world are struggling to live, dying from hunger and disease, menaced by war - denied the basic compassion we all owe each other - a chance at a real life! It's not right! We have the technology and the ability to provide enough for all!

Two million men and women are in prison in this locked down country! That's one-quarter of all prisoners in the world! We have more prisoners than China and they have five times as many people! We have more than Russia, even! The rate of incarceration of blacks is more than double that of South Africa, when apartheid was at its worst!

If the corporate scandals growin', bomb Iraq.
And your ties to them are showin', bomb Iraq.
If the smoking gun ain't smokin'
We don't care, and we're not jokin'.
That Saddam will soon be croakin',
Bomb Iraq.

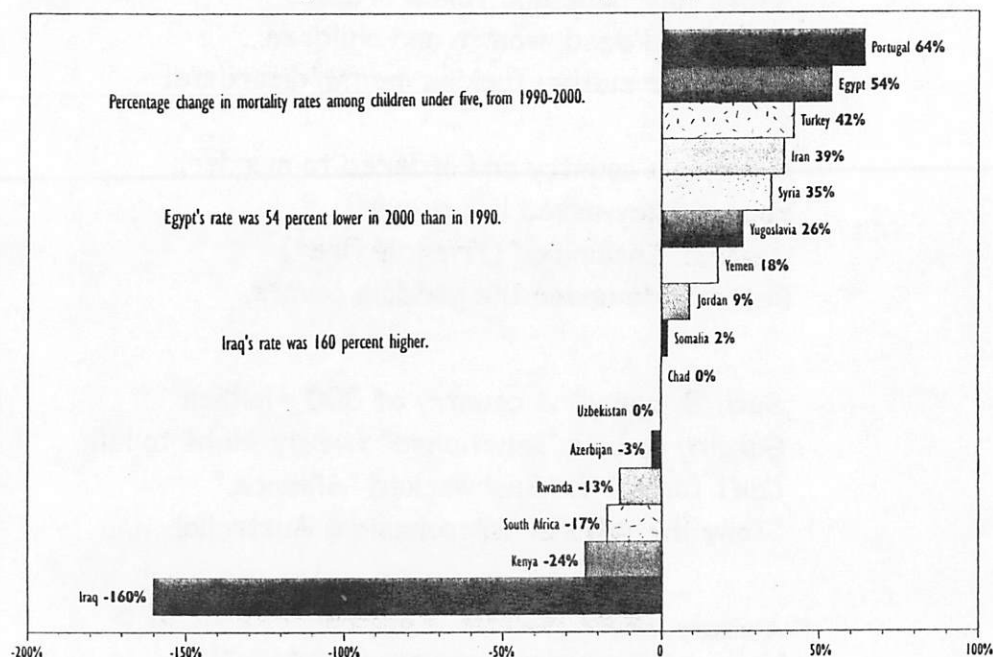
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Even if we have no allies, bomb Iraq.
From the sand dunes to the valleys, bomb Iraq.
So to hell with the inspections;
Let's look tough for the elections,
Close your mind and take directions,
Bomb Iraq.

While the globe is slowly warming, bomb Iraq.
Yay! the clouds of war are storming, bomb Iraq.
If the ozone hole is growing,
Some things we prefer not knowing.
(Though our ignorance is showing),
Bomb Iraq.

So here's one for dear old daddy, bomb Iraq,
From his favorite little laddy, bomb Iraq.
Saying no would look like treason.
It's the Hussein hunting season.
Even if we have no reason,
Bomb Iraq.

Under-five mortality rate – Cross-country comparison



STOOP TO KILL!

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"Shoot to kill!" those refugees
They get "freedom!" - from their lives
"Destroy the village to save it." - Jeez!
Decade after decade, same fucking lies

Democrat/Republican ugly sick twits
Kill, steal, mass-murder, bomb...
"Support our troops." You stupid shits!
Americans are dumber than dumb!

Imbedded reporters - thumb up their ass,
Talk of "humanity" & "courage"
A child holds his mother's head...
Blown from her shoulders, by the "Brave."

"Be all you can be" Ken, Glenn & Ben
Shave your head and follow orders:
Bloody and dead, women and children...
Enjoy your motherfucking *mental disorders!*

Invading a country and ordered to murder,
Your diddley-assed life is over!
Uh-oh... "Incoming!" (*friendly fire**)
Better hide under the goddam covers.

Such 'Bravery!' A country of 300+ million
Ganging up on a "sanctioned" twenty-eight to kill
Can't forget the Bushwacked "Alliance."
"Tony the Whore!" Micronesia & Australia!

* A ninety minute cassette is available of my C of C address, with questions, answers & statements.

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7. **Beauty Turner** is the Assistant Editor of *Resident's Journal* dealing with CHA issues. She's also a columnist for the *Hyde Park Herald*. She's on the Executive Community of the Coalition to Protect Public Housing and she's also a strong spokesperson for the October 22nd Coalition Against Police Brutality. She helps do research with a Columbia professor concerning housing issues.

She's speak of the war on the citizens of public housing in Chicago, police brutality and how citizens are having the custody of their children wrested from them by the authorities.

8. **Lionel Trepanier** is a longtime resident of the Southside, father of three and a serious environmental activist. He led personal inspections of the Robbins incinerator, was Secretary to the Chicago Greens and is currently organizing with the South Metro Greens. He is a strong, vocal combatant against toxic waste endangerment.

Lionel's talk will focus on environmental racism and the international connection of globalization on our besieged world.

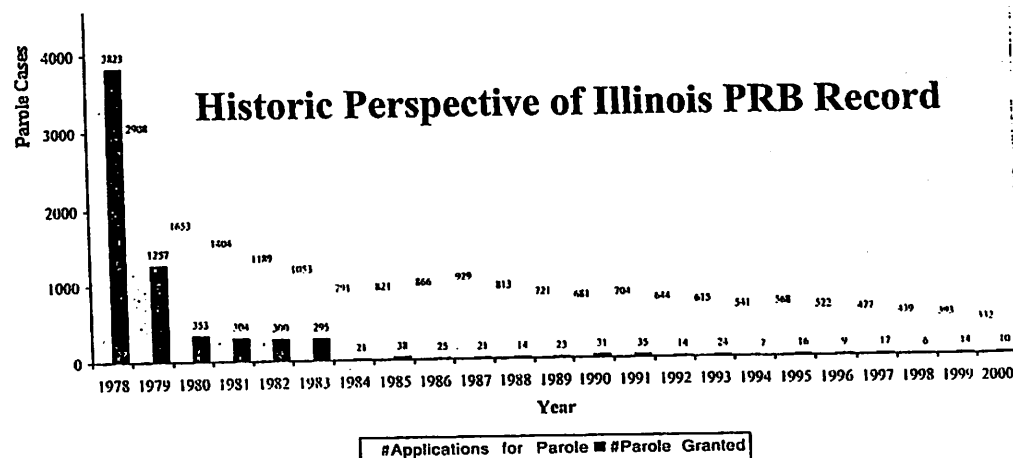
9. **Charlotte Lee Thomas** has a degree in social work, does grief counselling, substance abuse and domestic violence counselling, along with violence prevention. She's a vibrant and vocal community activist who runs God is My Father Enterprises and edits *Testify*, which highlights the unsung heroes of the Southside.

Charlotte will talk about the terrible murders occurring in Robbins recently and the awful murder of her brother in Cook County Jail, recently. A Southside Stolen Lives Chapter is being formed of the family members of police violence.

10. **Kevin Campbell** is an ex-prisoner looking to set people free through art. He's working up a project called 327 Art Gallery, where prisoner artwork can be sold and money garnered can be returned to the community, specifically to help children, so they will *not* follow the artists into prison.

He'll explain his project and show examples of this artwork.

11. **Prince Yisrael** is the leader of the several thousand member Black Israelite group, and he is based in Homewood. He will speak about the moral imperative for us to be involved in serious social issues, with a special emphasis on the need for reparations to the black community for the centuries of slavery they have endured.



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1. **Anthony Rayson** is a serious grassroots organizer, who co-founded *STAND* (Shut This Airport Nightmare Down) among other groups. He's a writer, editor and publisher of dozens of booklets (zines) mostly concerning prisoner issues and political analysis. He was the valedictorian of Prairie State College in 1995.

Anthony will give a general assessment of social conditions today, announce the creation of Southside Citizens' Coalition and call for practical involvement.

2. **Anthony Williams** is a longtime social justice activist, servant of the people, bedrock type of person. He is the Reverend at St. Stephen's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Englewood. He was an issue-oriented Congressional candidate, focused on developing genuine and realizable economic projects, directly involving Southside communities.

He will speak from the soul of the Southside on the need for us to work together to fight for our futures.

3. **Eraina Dunn Lemon** was recently married! She's a fourth generation resident of Harvey, with a lifetime of service to her community. She's the Executive Director of HACO (Human Action Community Organization) which has recently won the Fred Hampton Foundation Image Award. She's also a consultant for the Center for Neighborhood Technology. Eraina has amassed much formal and hands-on education and been involved in decades of struggles over environmental, social and transportation issues.

She will offer her wisdom and historical knowledge about the issues, problems, struggles and needs of our communities.

4. **Lance Davis** is in his 9th year as the Pastor of J. Claude Allen C.M.E. Church in Dixmoor. The church quickly got involved providing funding for the local schools and mentoring the community. He spearheaded the creation of VOM (Voices of Morality.)

Pastor Davis will talk about how Chicago clout is trying to dominate our communities for financial gain, while we have legitimate Southside leadership fighting for all of our rights!

5. **Judy Ogalla** is a longtime resident in the heart of the Peotone Airport "Footprint." Along with her husband Rob, and his parents Loretta and Herb, they farm 320 acres. They have just won the "Farm Family of the Year" Award, given by the Will-South Cook Soil & Water Conservation District.

Judy, who is Vice-President of *STAND*, will speak about the struggle to fight to save valuable farmland and prevent the construction of a wasteful, unneeded airport in E. Will County.

6. **James Taylor** was a lead investigator for 23 years at the Kankakee office of the Children & Family Services. He's been the editor of the third largest black newspaper in Illinois, *City News*, for 30 years. He's a member of the NAACP and is President of the Hopkins Park- Pembroke Businessmen's Association.

Mr. Taylor will talk of launching a Southside monthly called *Illinois Times* that will cover issues from a citizen's perspective throughout the south suburbs. He'll also update us on the 1,800 - bed women's prison, being shoved down his community.

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You bastards let a fuckhead like Bush
Tell you where, when and what to do.
Is pushing the joystick that much a rush?
Everyone in the world says, "Screw you!"

Oh, except for the sheep Limbaugh braindead
In the good 'ol U.S. of demented Al
Your life is fucking over, Ted, Fred & Jed!
For you have picked the fascist way.

"Welcome home!" to the same sick shit.
Did you think this would "solve" anything?
You killed - and that was pretty much it!
Live your life with *that* awful sting!

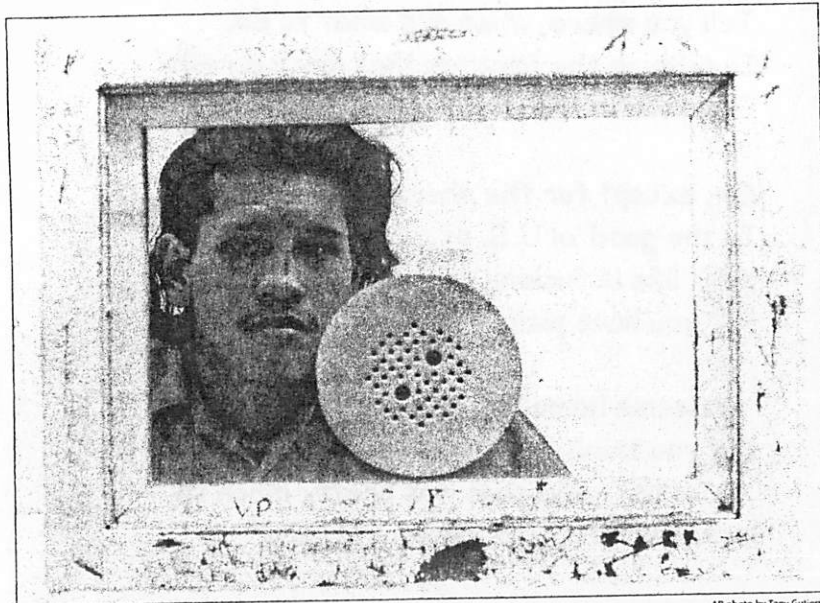
Sure, you can "justify it" blah, blah blah.
And tell your wife and kids some shit
You're on the wrong side of "Intifada"
You "obeyed orders" and actually did it.

You're a rube, a kid, a brainwashed punk
You fuckin' helped to kill those people!
Your karma smells like a no-good skunk
How mundane & ordinary, how fucking dull!

Roast in hell, you son-of-a-bitch
May your nights be filled with agony
Yeah, wave the flag, vegetate and get rich
Killing people over the world... *that's* a felony!

Do, say and think what you want
Tons of people will still support you
Close your eyes with any old slant
Unkilled people have lives, too!

Fire-scene heroics land rescuer in jail



Kris Leija, 22, peers through safety glass in the visitors area of the Abilene Jail. He was arrested for allegedly violating probation.

Probation charge snags man who saved 4 children

By Betsy Blaney
Associated Press

ABILENE, Texas—A man who rescued four children from a burning apartment said Tuesday that "in my heart I do feel like a hero"—despite his arrest on a probation-violation charge after authorities saw his exploits on television.

Kris Leija said in an interview at the Abilene Jail that he did not hesitate to enter the apartment, though smoke burned his lungs and he could

feel heat from the flames. "I didn't even think about myself," said Leija, 22, who is on probation for a burglary charge. "I thought about the victims who lived there. I didn't care about what happened to me."

"I felt like God put me there for a reason," Leija was passing the apartment complex on his bicycle early Sunday when he noticed the blaze. He braved the flames three times while rescuing the children, including one in a baby seat, ignoring paramedics who warned him not to put himself in danger.

Video footage showed Leija collapsing on his hands and knees afterward.

Later Sunday, a sheriff's deputy recognized Leija when he ap-

peared on television with the children's grandmother. He was arrested Monday after doing several interviews with local and national media.

"A lot of people call me a hero but I don't really feel I'm a hero because of what I've been charged with and the way people are viewing me" as a criminal, Leija said. "But in my heart I do feel like I'm a hero."

Leija was arrested for allegedly violating probation in a burglary case for failing to meet with his probation officer last month.

A bail hearing was set for Wednesday.

Authorities lauded Leija's exploits, but said they had to serve the arrest warrant.

On Tuesday, Leija said that af-

ter he saw the fire he ran to the complex and began knocking on doors. A child answered one door and he removed three of the four children inside.

"It was already smoky and I could feel the heat already," he said. "My lungs were burning and I couldn't breathe at all."

He ran back inside, retrieving the infant in the car seat, then returned for the mother, who by that time had left the second-story apartment.

About 70 families were left homeless by the fire, which destroyed three buildings in the apartment complex. No one died in the blaze, but fire officials said one woman suffered a broken arm.

The fire's cause remained under investigation.

WHO GOES TO PRISON
AND WHY?



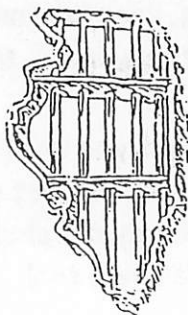
Jon Sall/Chicago Sun-Times

On streets lined by police officers in riot gear, hundreds of protesters march Thursday through Chicago's Loop. They were demonstrating against the TransAtlantic Business Dialogue, a pro-trade coalition holding its conference downtown.



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Calm after little storm

Friday's protests of the TransAtlantic Business Dialogue meetings sponsored by Boeing Co. were vastly different from Thursday's, when about 1,000 took to the streets. Police were still out on many downtown corners, but demonstrators were much harder to find. Two people believed to be protesters were arrested on minor charges. About 30 (above) gathered at Daley Center and walked to the Dirksen Federal Building, where free vegetarian food was handed out. The slogan of the day was "Stop the war. Food not bombs." Elsewhere in the city, things were getting back to normal. The parking ban downtown was lifted as of 6 p.m. Friday, police said.