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MOST JOYOUS FELICITATIONS AT THIS HOLIDAY SEASON TO ALL VENETIANS FROM THE BEACHHEAD COLLECTIVE. SHUCKS, FOLKS, WE ALL LOVE YA! MAY 1983 BE A MORE PEACEFUL, PROSPEROUS TIME FOR US ALL!

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DROPPINGS FROM THE THRONE

By Mary Lou Johnson

To all my loyal subjects, objects and prepositions (not to mention a few dangling participles):

It seems that the royal ad in last month's Beachhead has been the subject of considerable discussion in the community, indicating the need for clarification on our (that's royalese for "my") part.

Let us begin by noting that the ad should have read "Re-establish the Monarchy." Now, most queens would have immediately said "Off with their heads" to such a boo-boo. However, in view of the fact that under H.R.H.M.L. we would then have to eat the printers, we will merely bitch about it. We don't believe they're the type, anyway. (Royal Pun)

Bringing back the monarchy fills a demonstrated need on the part of the American people. Clearly, independence has been intolerable to you. You will relinquish whatever autonomy you might have at the drop of a command by your husbands, wives, mothers, fathers, bosses, teachers, ministers, priests or politicians. You positively wallow in "do's and don'ts"; join anything wherein the first order of business is always to make up a bunch of rules; adopt dress codes; choogle away obediently at traffic signals at 3 A.M., when there's not



a car in sight, etc...You get the picture. So, we will do all your thinking

for you. Just imagine the relief it will be to not have to think anymore.

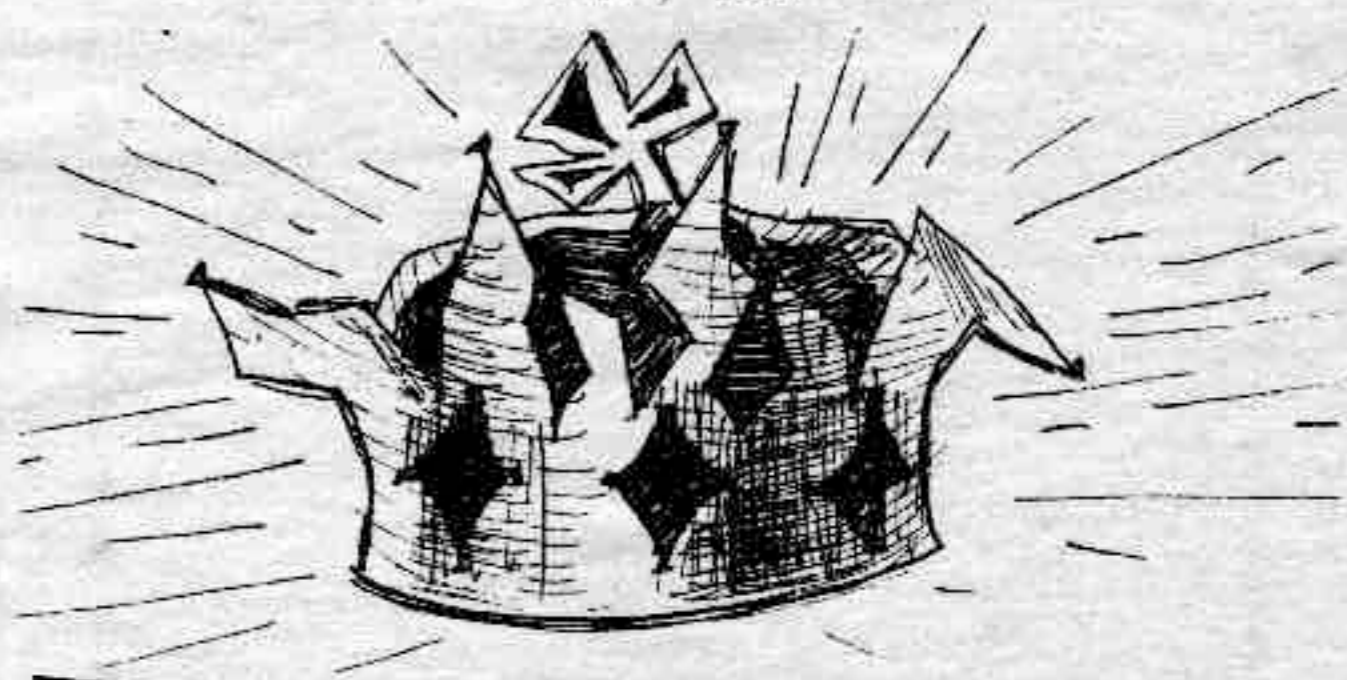
Secondly, an even greater need will be satisfied by the pomp and circumstance attendant upon royalty. You can shower gifts upon us, bejewel and be-fur us to the max. No more complaining about Nancy Reagan and her pseudo attempts at royal behavior. To say nothing of the Rockefellers, DuPonts and Vanderbilts. We will be open to the grossest excesses of largess that a panting public seems to find such enjoyment in bestowing on their heroes and heroines, such as rock stars, movie actors and politicians. We will take it all. In fact, we have declared ourselves Queen of All.

There seems to be some consternation about everyone being a Republican. Have you ever known a Republican who didn't have self-esteem up the ying-yang? They feel really good about themselves. No doubts for them. They know they are right. This is going to be a bit hard on all those therapists out there whose major goal is to build up their clients' sense of self-worth, but some sacrifices will have to be faced up to. Maybe they could go into curtsy training or something. It will all be worth it when they see everyone getting what they want as Republicans always do. It's a matter of pride, really. I never knew a Republican who didn't absolutely glow upon stating his or her party affiliation. And don't ever forget that this nation is and always has been a republic, even though we prattle on about democracy a lot.

It's going to be a bit difficult for you to make the transition to monarchical thinking. Just remember that we wouldn't be in the mess we're in now if we hadn't had that stupid Revolution in the first place.

We shall continue to think for you in the future, but for now, we don't wish you to overtax yourselves. Also, we must return to our winter palace, Tripping on the Canals.

Her Royal Highness,
Mary Lou



in the center dyed magenta. "I am the Ghost of Depressions Present," it said, and inexorably yanked Scrooge from his bed and bade him follow.

"What mean these chains, Ghost?" he asked the apparition, figuring he might at least try to be sociable.

"They are the chains of oppression," explained the Ghost. "There is no future in America's dreaming. There is only the chain of wearying events, day by day. Behold!"

Through the portal they saw unemployment lines longer than Scrooge had ever seen the

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REAGAN'S CHRISTMAS CAROL

by Lynne Bronstein

Old Carter's policies were dead as a doornail. Indeed, as dead as doornails can be said to be were detente, big government, affirmative action, and all that rot. It was a good fortune for Reagan Scrooge, President of the United States, that all these things were indeed indubitably dead. That poverty might lurk here or there in a corner worried him not too much. "Poverty?" he muttered to himself as he left the Oval Office on Christmas Eve. "Ah, I bleed for the poor. But they can surely fend for themselves. Helping them out? Bah! Humbug!"

Thus did Scrooge content himself that evening with a good dinner by the fireside and a paper he eagerly perused, dealing with the proposed plans for the Ruskitron Bomb (which, if detonated would release a radiation cloud fatal only to those of a Communist persuasion). Thus did Scrooge tuck himself into bed where sleep overtook him until.....

Gong! Gong! Gong! Was it midnight or a Red Alert? Sleepily, Reagan Scrooge opened his eyes a crack, only to see before him a strange spectre. He felt under his pillow for his trusty handgun, for this intruder

could only be a crazed hippie dope pusher who'd somehow eluded the Secret Service and crept in. Who else would sport long, long hair and drooping moustaches but old hippies, bums, and the guys from the Miller's Outpost commercials?

"Nay," said the spectre, "Bullets do not penetrate me. I am the Ghost of Administrations Past."

"Out!" cried Scrooge. "Begone! You are simply a jot of mustard, a smidgen of leftover jelly bean, a shard of Nancy's china. You are indigestion, sir."

But the Ghost took Scrooge (unwillingly) by the hand and led him through a portal of clouds into a guided tour of the recently deceased decade. Scrooge saw people going to work, unions getting their demands met, blacks and women behind the desks of highly paid positions, CETA training programs in progress. "Bah, humbug!" he cried. "This does not matter. It is all dead, the ill-begotten works of my predecessors. Begone, Ghost!"

He dove back into bed and closed his eyes but soon heard the sound of a bell: BONG, BONG BONG! "Not again!" he groaned. Before him this time stood a creature gaunt and sallow-faced, covered with chains and rusty safety pins. Its hair was shaved except for a strip

Letters



STAFF NOTE: Recently we have received several letters which were unsigned, and which apparently the authors intended to be printed in the Beachhead. It is the policy of the paper not to print unsigned material, though we will withhold a name upon request. This policy applies to letters as well as articles. Beachhead calling Correspondents: Please make contact, and this time sign your name!

To Da Beachhaid,

There was this racist song out a few years back "Here come de Judge!" where these negro folks are in court thinking they're gonna get away with some mischief, but then watch out! Here come de judge! This big white massa gonna put em in jail for a while for stealing chickens or some such. Its only a record, but you can see those white eyes rollin' in them darky heads!

The idea from slave days and K.K.K. Deconstruction is that Black Folks are children all taken up with little mischiefs and thievery, and judges and courts just awe us beyond understanding. Actually the Cuzz on the corner be he a wasted dropout hustler has a more clear and sophisticated understanding of the nature of the system than any white folk in the USA cause he knows that court is nothing of him or to him, he knows that man up there is his enemy who doesn't care if he's guilty or innocent but only about how much time he's gonna give him. Court's job was makin' sure Black folks spent part of every month in jail when we weren't working on the plantation and that's still it's job. It's the white folks who stand in front of that judge and foolishly think that man up there is their Daddy or someday might even be them.

I was gonna get shitty with the Beachhead for using that racist song-title for a headline, but then I read the article, where this sister's tellin' us to know what judge to vote for and how she was "raised to respect the electoral process." Here come de judge! Hell, I may have to shuffle some, that comes with being powerless, but this sister wants me to kiss the hammer he hits me with and sign his damn paycheck besides. Now that's childish. That was a racist headline people, don't try to tell yourselves ot wasn't. But it did suit the article in a way I imagine you didn't have in mind.

Curtis Albritton

To Progressive media and groups,

Enclosed is information about a campaign that Vietnam-era vets have been carrying out for several months against the current moves by Americas' rulers to "Honor the Vet--Prepare for War". Also enclosed is an article from the Revolutionary Worker exposing the Vietnam Veterans Monument (the only left publication to do so as far as we know) and the necessity of vets to help prepare for war. We can't afford any ads and know how difficult times are for everyone financially and we know some of you will ask why you are receiving this. We think these are critical issues that need discussion and debate, both among progressive forces and most importantly among the broad masses. Please reprint the information or publicize what we are doing, or pass it on to interested veterans. More exposure of the monument is crucial (even tho it is not going to be dedicated this fall because the statue and the flagpole won't be ready, it will be substantially finished for the Nov. 11-14 "National Salute to Vietnam Veterans" in D.C., a 1st class chauvinist zoo under the slogan "Marching Together Again.") and you can play a critical role in getting out the word to many who know the truth and want to act on it. Please send us copies of any relevant articles you might have done already and any you do in the future. Please let us know what you think and contact us for more information.

in their face,

Joe Urgo

[For more info write to Vets Statement, 204 W. 20th St. New York, NY 10011]

Dear Beachhead;

I am from the L.A., Santa Monica area, but presently I'm in prison in Nevada.

Keep up the good work on the "Beachhead". Sharon Karcher's "Bankers Break Peso" in your October Issue is one of the best and most well written articles on the peso crises that I have seen.

I would like to correspond with people in the L.A. area. If you could print this in "Letters" it would be great. I am 30 years old, blond hair, blue eyes, 5'9" tall. I will answer any who write me. Thank you for your consideration and time.

Sincerely
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Dear Beachhead,

I am happy to see the material on the Peace and Freedom Party that has been appearing in the Beachhead. However, there has been some important information left out, namely that the Peace and Freedom Party is committed to socialism, democracy and feminism.

Under socialism, the working class controls the planning and management of the economy, with production planned to meet human needs. The employer-employee relationship is replaced with cooperative labor, and the work required by society is shared by all.

Politically, socialism is the massive extension of democracy, from each workplace and neighborhood to the widest levels of society, including the principle that all officials are elected, are recallable at any time, and none receive more than a worker's wage.

As a feminist party, the Peace and Freedom Party actively supports the struggle to eliminate oppression and discrimination based on sex or sexual orientation. This struggle cannot be delayed, but must be pursued actively at the same time as the struggle to eliminate oppression and discrimination based on class, race, or nationality, age or physical disability.

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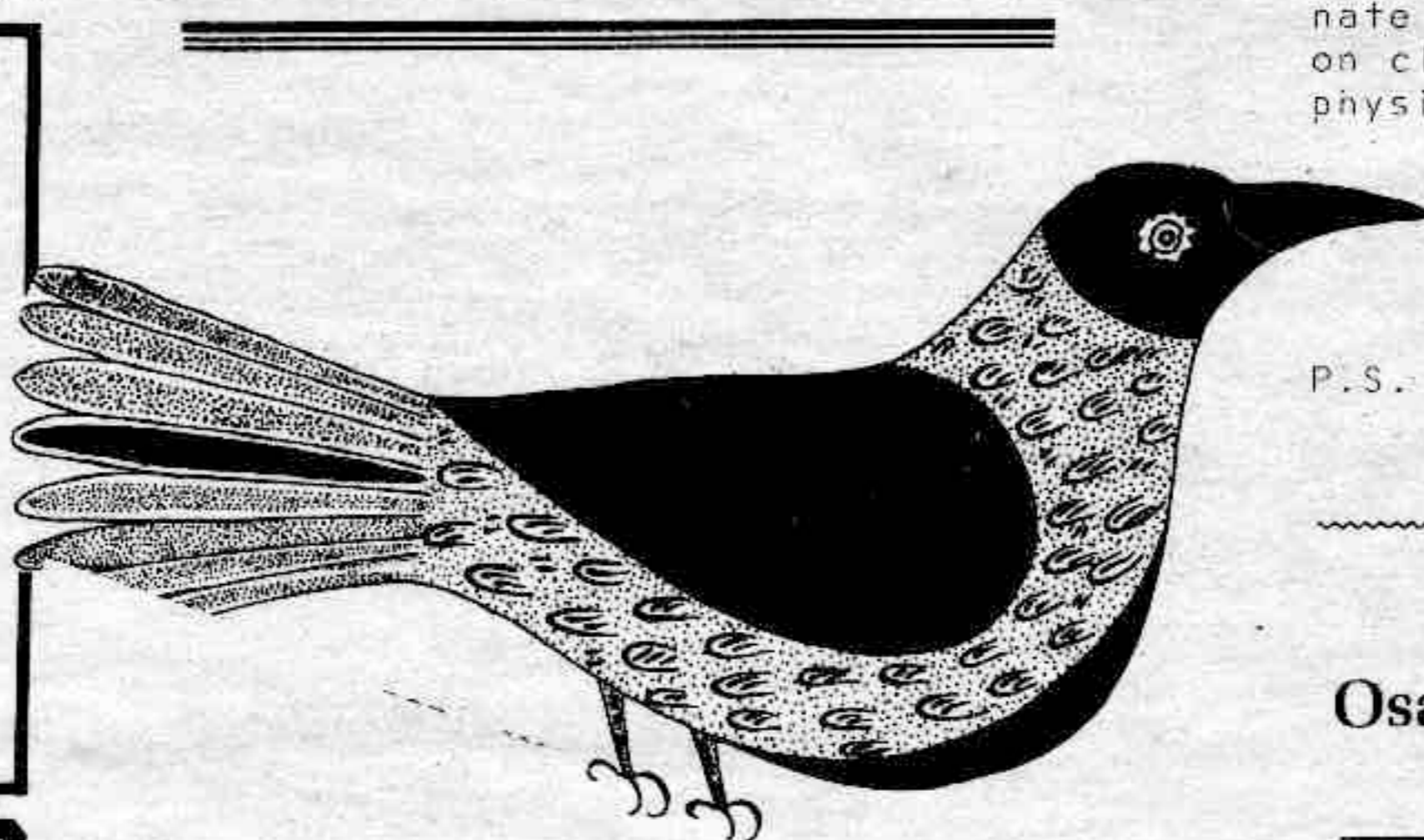
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A TALE OF TWO DRUGS

by Jack Rezenvats

The recent killings attributed to a "madman" who tampered with Tylenol capsules and the withdrawal of Oraflex, a supposed "wonder drug", invite a closer look at the pharmaceutical industry and its powerful friends. The Tylenol incident resulted in 7 deaths in the Chicago area and can be likened to a berserk gunman on a rampage. The fear, widespread and fuelled by front-page headlines throughout the country, was that the deaths were due to a manufacturing problem and might effect many more people. The Oraflex incident, which resulted in 72 deaths here and in England, was quickly relegated to the back pages of newspapers and never involved the use of such loaded words as "madman." But the potential and real result of putting Oraflex on the market was exactly the fear engendered by the tampering of a killer. Why is it that the "madman" in the Tylenol case, when caught, will undoubtedly be sent to prison while those responsible for Oraflex will, more than likely, remain free to kill again?

The pharmaceutical industry is a multi-billion dollar a year, multi-national corporate business. It has friends in high places and is generally treated with kid gloves by the media. It also has a daily impact on the lives of millions of people in the US and throughout the world--especially in the third world developing countries.

Using an average figure, every person in the US filled 4 prescriptions in 1981 and paid a whopping \$12 billion for the privilege. All of the major pharmaceutical companies are firmly entrenched among the Fortune 500 (top corporations) and some, like Lederle and Wyeth, are part of even larger companies in the 500. Eli Lilly, the producer of Oraflex, is ranked #154 among the 500 with sales of \$2.8 billion in 1981. These corporations are no less concerned with profits and stock dividends than are Exxon or GM. In fact, Fortune ranked pharmaceuticals #2 in its "return on sales" category.

Eli Lilly Co., well aware of the potential market for Oraflex of some 31 million arthritis victims, marketed the drug knowing of its very serious side effects. Six months before the FDA approved the drug, an FDA inspector submitted



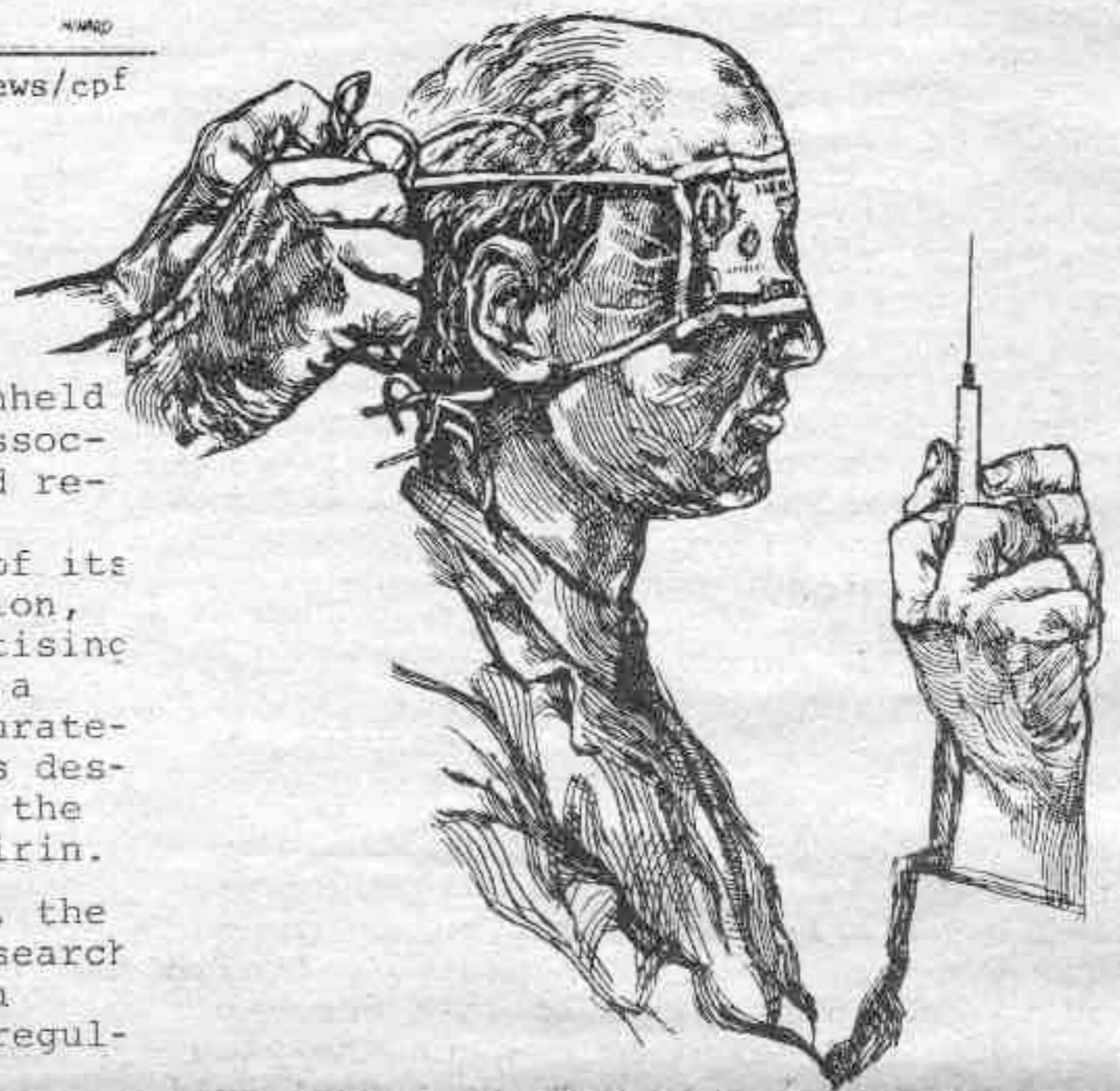
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On the surface, the Reagan Administration's strong opposition to Puerto Rican independence would seem irrelevant to this scenario. It is not. Many of the largest drug companies have relocated, in whole or in part, their manufacturing and marketing facilities to Puerto Rico in the past 2-4 years. Eli Lilly is one of those companies taking advantage of cheap labor, lack of laws protecting workers and favorable tax laws on the island. As it happens, ex-CIA chief and current Vice President, George Bush was a member of Eli Lilly's Board of Directors in 1977-78 when he resigned to run for the presidency. Just this past June, Bush told a powerful pharmaceutical manufacturers group that the traditional adversary role between industry and the FDA should be turned into a partnership which would speed up the approval of new drugs. That, of course, has the same

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a report stating that Lilly had withheld data showing serious side effects associated with Oraflex. The same FDA had rejected the sale of Oraflex in 1980 because there was inadequate proof of its safety. Lilly not only hid information, it also embarked on a massive advertising campaign that ballyhooed Oraflex as a "wonder drug" claiming, quite inaccurately, that Oraflex had curative powers despite claims by medical experts that the drug was no more effective than aspirin.

According to Dr. Sidney Wolfe, the director of Ralph Nader's Health Research Group, "the Oraflex case fits into a pattern of reduced and ineffective regulatory activity," on the part of the Reagan Administration. The number of enforcement actions brought by the FDA has dropped by two-thirds since Reagan was elected. So it appears that it is the official policy of the Reagan Administration to allow dangerous drugs to be marketed at the potential expense of 230 million Americans to benefit its corporate supporters.



sound as a cash register ringing to the industry moguls. According to Dr. Wolfe, "The last thing we need (with the FDA) is a partnership between the police and the not infrequent criminals." ■

IMPORTANT PUBLIC HEARING IN DECEMBER

The L.A. BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS will hold a continued hearing on the use of the Venice Blvd. median strip for parking. The specific area is 201-319 So. Venice Blvd. The hearing is now scheduled for Tuesday December 21st at 12:30 p.m. at City Hall downtown Los Angeles. For more info call the Board office at 485-3505



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4 Marina By-Pass KEEPS ON TRUCKIN

by CHALLIS MacPHERSON

Hang in there, folks, the Richard Milhaus Nixon Freeway is knocking at our backdoors AGAIN!

Our erstwhile nuisance, now in the guise of the "Marina Bypass" has shown up on the Marina del Rey/Ballona Local Coastal Plan (LCP). The County of Los Angeles is the latest bureaucracy trying to divide us up and smother us in carbon monoxide, noise and dirt. The powers that be--again--plan to destroy our neighborhoods.

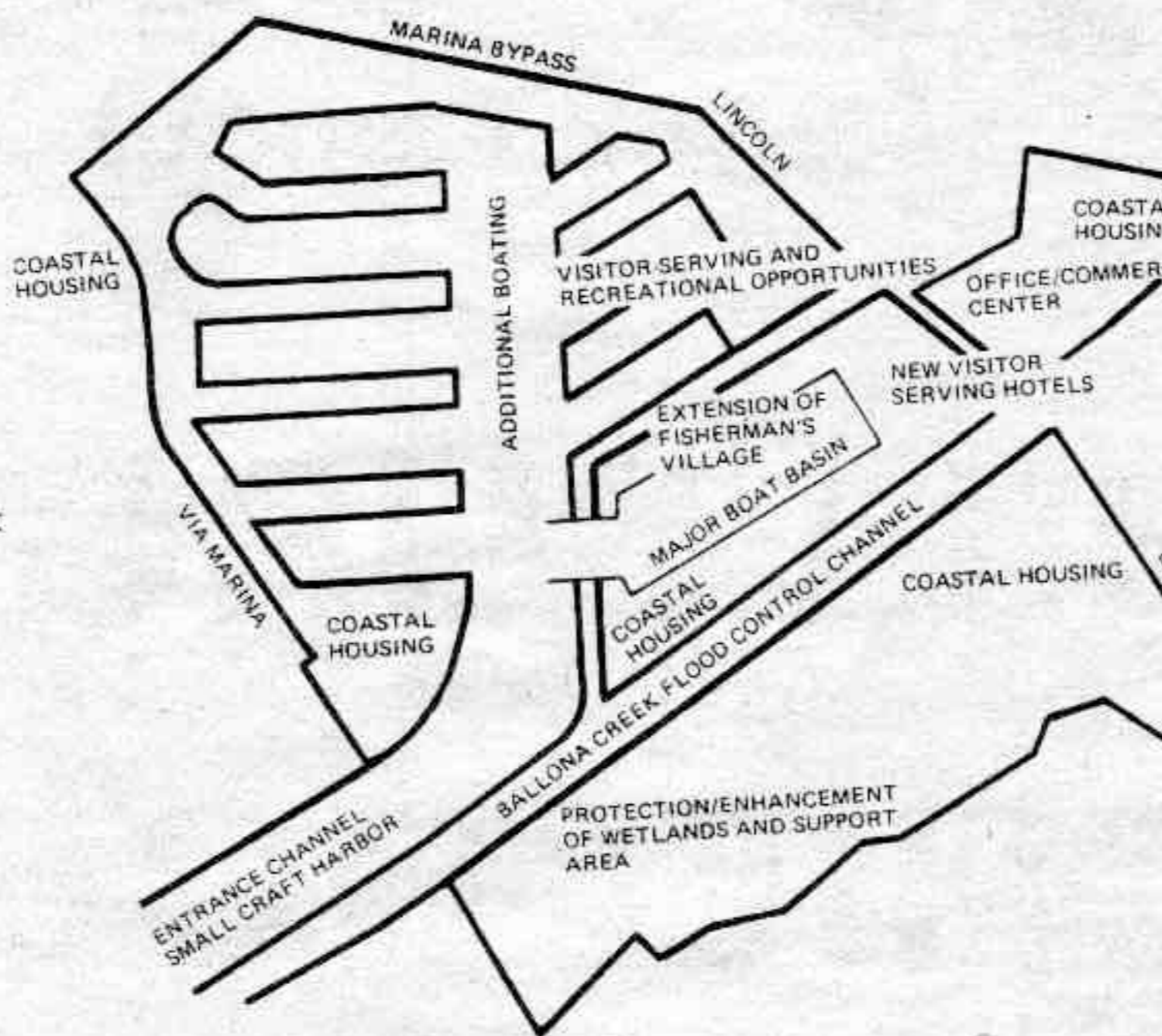
The "Marina Bypass" appeared Nov. 3 at a public information hearing for the Marina del Rey/ Ballona LCP. There it was neatly lettered on the northeast corner of the LCP, "Marina Bypass." The plan is to put another four lanes of traffic along the old Pacific Electric right-of-way between Admiralty Way and Oxford St., dumping traffic from the "Marina" freeway onto Washington Street. The residents of the Oxford triangle organized immediately. In less than 24 hours an ad hoc committee of 64 gathered to formulate a petition. The petition was circulated & the neighborhood rallied. The petition was presented to the Regional Planning Commission Friday, Nov. 12. Commission chairman Lefcoe asked all those in attendance from the Oxford Triangle to stand, and he seemed impressed with the fact that approximately 25 people had taken time off on a work day to come to the hearing. The 25 people were a third of the people in the hearing room.

There is no mind stretch needed to imagine where the Richard M. Nixon freeway will go after the County of Los Angeles has thrust it through to Washington St. The next step, we can all surmise, will be an extension from Washington St. to Venice Bl. and on to Santa Monica along the old P.E. right-of-way. We have expended much time and energy on our homes and businesses. CALTRANS requested that the "Marina Bypass" be added to the LCP. You know as well as I do that the freeway extension will not rest there, the old plans will be dusted off (perhaps they haven't gathered dust at all) and we will have a freeway splitting up Venice, into Santa Monica (has the proposed

freeway across Santa Monica Bay really died/) and perhaps joining the notorious Malibu highway through the Santa Monica Mountains.

Fellow citizens, we are under attack again. The designation of a "Marina Bypass" is in direct contradiction to the general plan established by the City of Los Angeles. Pat Russell said, at the regional planning commission public hearing Nov. 12th, "...The Marina Bypass is another concern (to the City of Los Angeles). The designation of the Marina Bypass in the LCP as a future transportation connection is a major area of concern. There is no discussion regarding the actual design, placement and timing of such a connection. The surrounding communities in the City of Los Angeles are viable, residential communities which must be protected. I am opposed to any development of this nature which would be detrimental to the character and integrity of these communities. Any plan on the part of the county (and I have to say that the city has taken that out of any city plans) any plans on the part of the County of Los Angeles (which would) proceed within their right-of-way must insure protection in the form of a sound wall, buffering, landscaping, etcetera to these communities." Mr. David Gay, from the City of Los Angeles Planning Dept., presented a 7-page letter responding to the plan; however, Mr. Gay's spoken summary of the letter did not mention the "Marina Bypass."

Besides being our L.A. City Council representative, Russell is president of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) which does regional planning for the six southern California



counties. Part of her expertise is massive regional planning. In the face of our organized, stiff community opposition to a Marina freeway extension of any kind in the past, plans for such a freeway were taken off the City of Los Angeles' plans. The woman is a sound politician and she went as far as she could at that time. Now it is up to us. We defeated similar proposals in 1973, 1975 and 1977. We, the residents and merchants of Oxford Triangle, Venice, North Beach, Santa Monica, et al, have

to fight again to retain the integrity of our neighborhoods and communities. Russell stated, in an article for the December 1982 Ms. magazine regarding politics, "...you can't just talk, you've got to get down in the trenches and fight."

The residents of the Oxford Triangle are on the front lines this time. Their neighborhood will be turned into a traffic conduit for the Summa Corporation and the business community--the neighborhood is under assault NOW!

We will present our case to the Coastal Commission and remind them that there are specific restrictions to a major freeway and/or traffic artery within 350 feet of a waterway. Marina del Rey is part of the Pacific Ocean. It is within 350 feet of the proposed Marina Bypass.

Stop the "Marina Bypass now. Get it off the LCP just as we got the Nixon Freeway extension off the City of Los Angeles' master plans. There will be a citizens' meeting, Tuesday, Dec. 7th at 7:30 P.M. in Coeur d'Alene Elementary School Auditorium in Venice.

Be there! We may not be able to toss the rascals out, but we will let them know we won't be pushed around.

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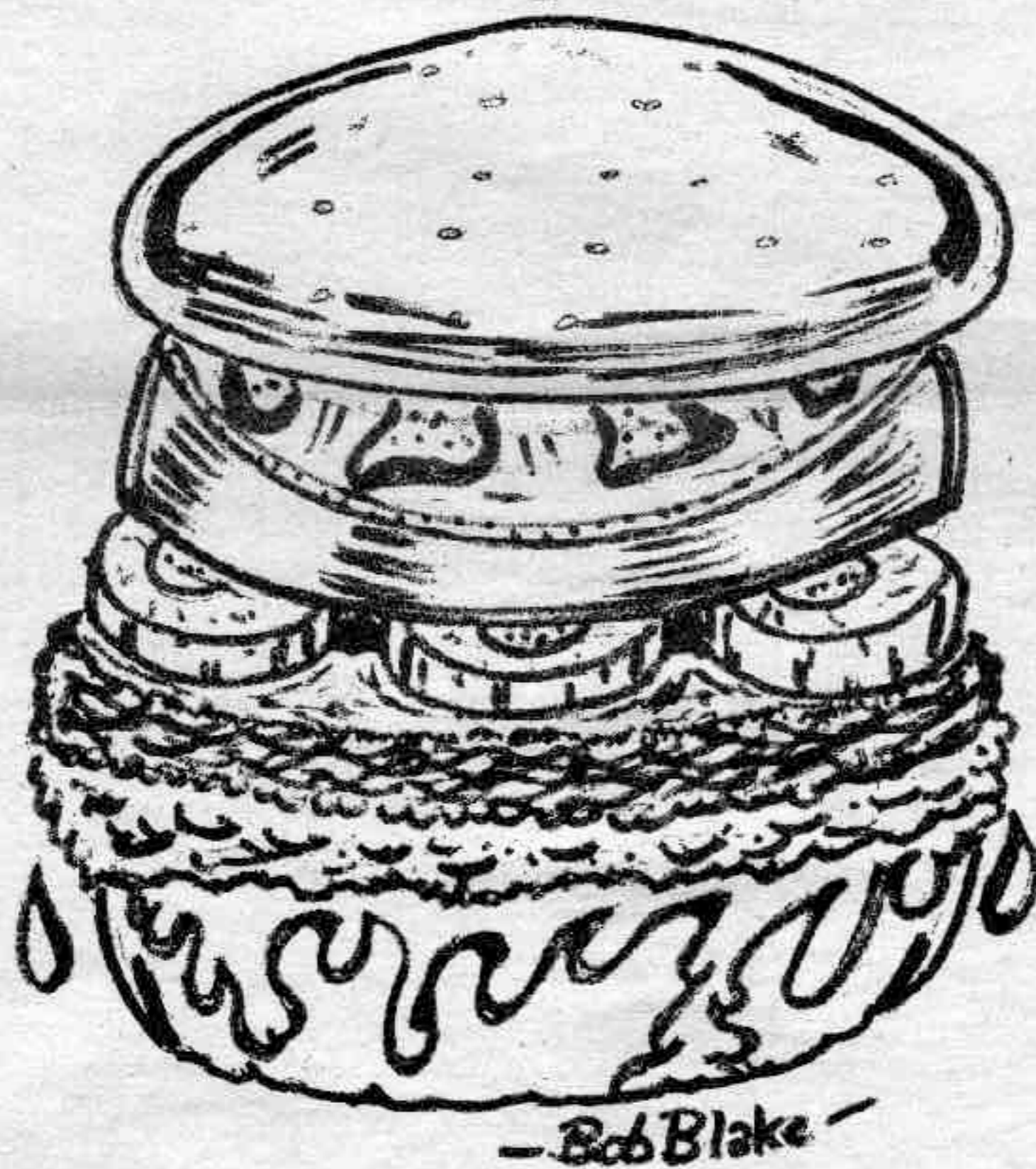
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The centerpiece of the program is a new Futile Preparedness Agency civil defense guide called "Meet Mr. Bomb".

In announcing the release of the pamphlet, the President explained several key elements in the administration's new defense:

--"I'm not saying that I want a nuclear war. But what I do want to urge upon you is that we may need a nuclear war."

--"We won't have a lasting peace until we have a war. Because once we've had this war, we won't need another one."

--"We will be extending to many, many more Americans than ever before an honor that to date we have limited to our fighting forces."

The President further stated: "Some Americans don't understand the conjunction between our strategic offensive and strategic defensive forces, but everybody will understand Mr. Bomb. Like Smokey the Bear, Zippy Zip Code, and Reddy Kilowatt, Mr. Bomb is sure to find a place in the hearts and minds of all Americans."

Mr. Bomb is the mascot and narrator of the FPA's "practical guide to nuclear extinction." His motto "I'm lean, I'm mean, I'm cute, I'm clean, and most of all...I'm yours".

Peace On You

BY JERRY RUBIN

Peace, celebration, and involvement is the theme of the Alliance For Survivals' first annual New Year's Eve Peace-For-All which will take place at the Church in Ocean Park, 235 Hill St in Ocean Park on Friday, December 31, from 8 PM to 2 AM

On this traditional evening of reflection and hope, peace activists will come together in unity to remember the past years' achievements and to share an individual and collective commitment to working to make 1983 a happy, peaceful year.

Features of the evening include: a benefit performance of the anti-nuclear play L.A. Book of the Dead (doors open at 7:45), a reggae dance featuring The Babylon Warriors (10 PM), and a ceremonial Gong Ringing and Midnight Peace Gathering led by Santa Monica City Councilman James Conn. The gong will be played by Don Conreaux, founder of Songs for Humanity. Food and champagne will be available. Admission is \$10, \$19.83 per couple. Proceed to benefit the Alliance for Survival. For further info call 399-1000

Thanks Hank's

Hank Ferrell wanted to thank all those in Venice and Ocean Park who had patronized his business (Davy Jones Liquor Locker) over the past years. So awhile back he began inviting seniors at the Nielson Villas to a free Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner.

This year he continued the tradition. On Thanksgiving Day about 100 seniors from the Villas, from the Levin Center, and others who got the word showed up at Ferrell's newest business, Hank's Bar-B-Que on Main St. at Marine in Ocean Park for a turkey or ham dinner on Hank. Restaurant employees donating their labor for the event included: Joe Rodriguez, Steve Ferrell and Ruth German. Putting up part of the moola for the free feed was Brown's Air Conditioning of Venice.

Hank thinks of himself as a community person and usually shows up at neighborhood meets on Navy or Ozone. He also stocks generous supplies of The Beachhead at the Davy Jones Liquor Locker and at the Bar-B-Que on Main and Marine.★



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Here are some of the important new tips included in "Meet Mr. Bomb":

Before: Citizens can guarantee their survival by siding their home with panels made out of metal used in the heat shield of the space shuttle. Those who don't have \$3.4 million can cover their walls with 35 coats of lead paint.

During: While in the shelter, its fun to pretend that you're President-- and there's always the chance that you really are! Observing and classifying mushroom clouds can be satisfying and fun. Learn how to do it without getting your face melted.

After: It's a proven fact that a nation shattered by nuclear attack becomes an economic phenomenon! America! will be a gold mine of opportunity, and everything will change for the better.

President Reagan directed that 250,000 copies of "Meet Mr. Bomb" be made available around the country. Revenues from the \$2. cover charge and the sale of advertising space will be used to put more surplus cheese in the nation's public fallout shelters.●

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Quotes and Headlines

By John F.M. Lawson

"Unemployment has climbed 44%, bankruptcies have gone up 46% and mortgage foreclosures have increased 41%. Millions of unemployed Americans are on welfare and breadlines."
L.A. Times 10/8/82

"The root of all evil is ignorance of self."

Paul Weiss
Harvard Professor
10/11/82 T.V.

Photo by J.F. Lawson

A.B. Salinas and view of the empty lot on Ocean Front Walk and Sunset Av.

About Free Enterprise:

His name is Angel Barbaro Salinas. He is a young unmarried immigrant to the U.S. from

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A little tragic, a little sad. A little cruel. Even barbarous like his middle name...is the almost complete indifference to his and other immigrant's desperate situation..that the daily and high holiday crowds passing this immigrant with a few words of English do not know nor apparently care that this young man must work and sleep for absolute survival on this barren, inhospitable site!

No longer hungry, homeless, moneyless Salinas is forced to rummage garbage cans. He scavengers through alleys. Sells what he finds to sustain life. At night he sleeps in this big, desolate lot; on the ground, between two shopping carts that he tents over with a scarlet nylon banner.

The birth of free enterprise? or Revolution.●



Rapacious Moguls

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"Our general experience", explained a Republic v.p., "has been that during strikes it is well to have your plants sufficiently armed and in proper shape to repel an invasion."

Scanning the hearing room he commented on the presence of armed policemen, as in Republic plants. Senator La Follette dryly assured him, "We want you to feel that you are in a homelike atmosphere."

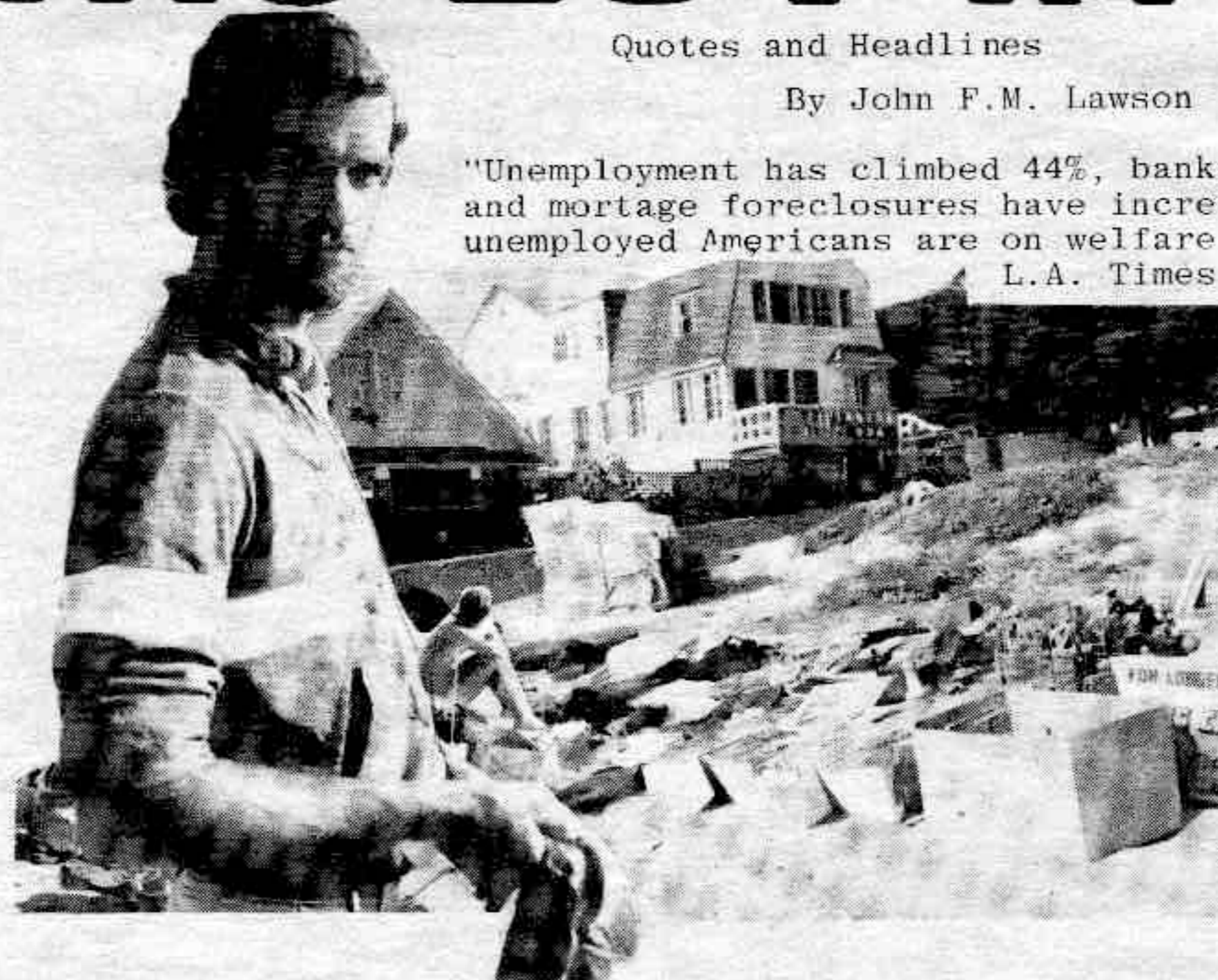
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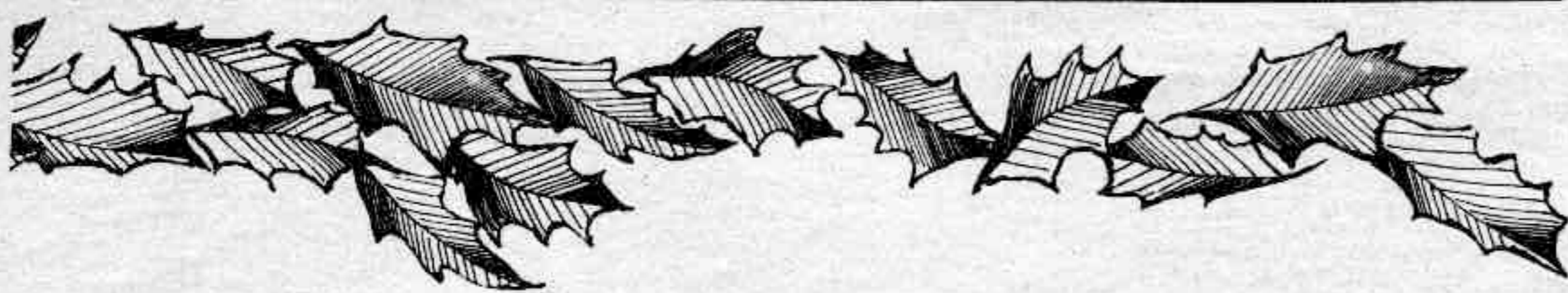
"May I humbly warn the Senate that labor wants industry disarmed lest labor men on their march to industrial democracy should have to take by storm the barbed-wire barricades and machine-gun emplacements maintained by the rapacious moguls of corporate industry."

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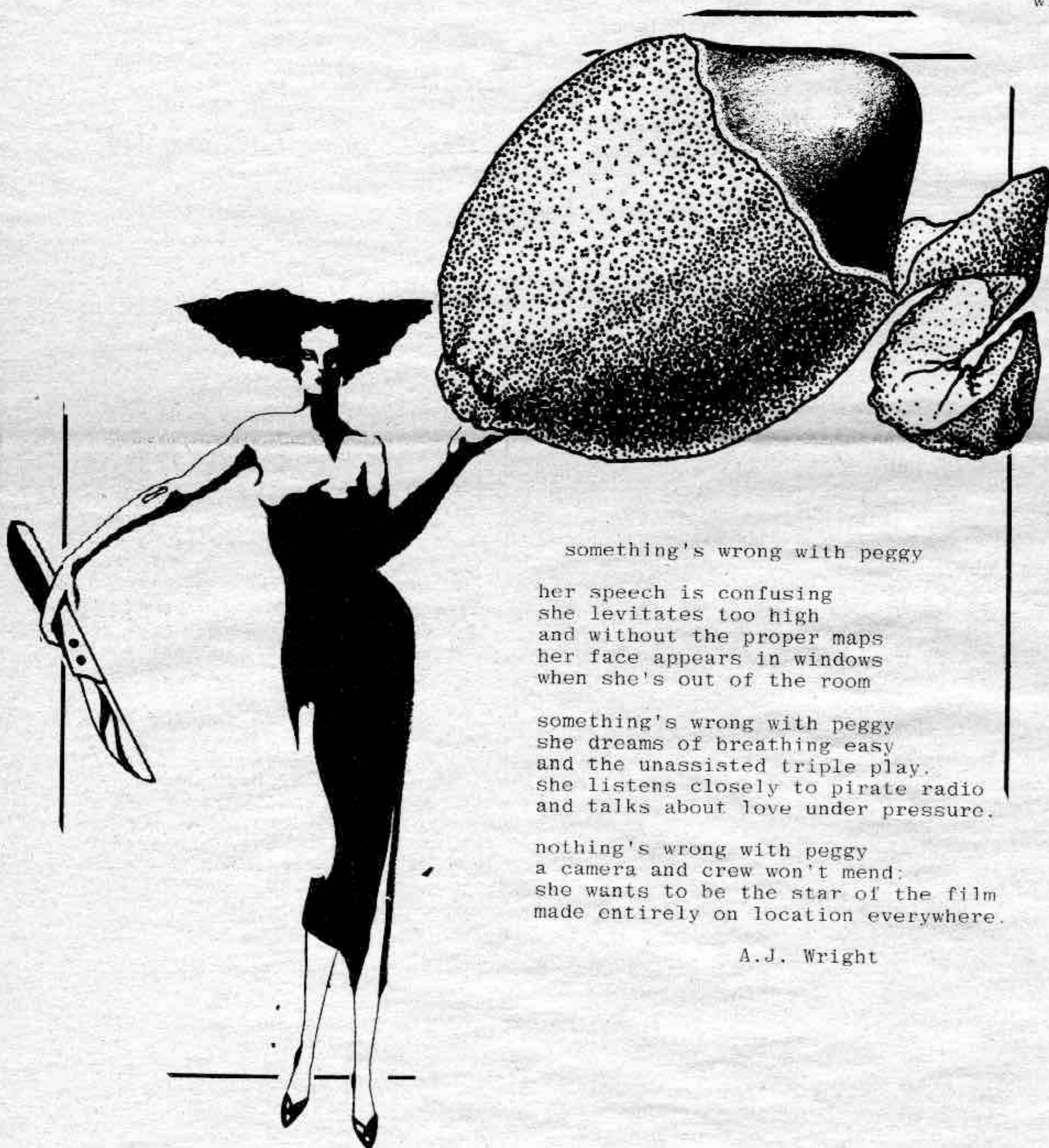
Poetry

The Real Thing

in his rainbow coat of colors
standing right in front of the GasHouse mast
he turns open the can of sardines
drains the oil at a deep and generous draught
then fingers the fish from their bed
letting them fall to his face upturned to the sun
some of them crumbling & missing his mouth

& I realize again
for the second time this afternoon
"This man is the real thing!"

Dennis Holt
Venice Beach
5 August 1978



something's wrong with peggy

her speech is confusing
she levitates too high
and without the proper maps
her face appears in windows
when she's out of the room

something's wrong with peggy
she dreams of breathing easy
and the unassisted triple play.
she listens closely to pirate radio
and talks about love under pressure.

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Your transformation is taking longer
than a trip from Peking.
Don't harm anyone
in an official capacity
while becoming a human being,
least of all myself.
Life is not a battlefield.
Retaining a pure nature into adulthood
makes for better parenthood.
School teacher, salad chef pilot,
all have their place on a jury of your peers
should you become
embroiled in a capital offense
and need to plead insanity.

Your time is up,
but before you go
shake my hand
and remember that a belief in God
will take you much further
than a moped
with a full tank of gasoline.

Bob Libertell



"If Leo Castelli did retire, I would probably move into New York in a major way"

Vanguard, Vancouver

Refraction

Walking through the grassy hillock park
Westminster Clubhouse Pacific & Main
skirting the range of the sprinklers
a small gang of current, bum-beatniks
scruffy & slouching along

I think of Bohemian dignity
proudfness of bearing
baths

One half-shaved one the oldest & walking last
approaches me as they pass by
to look for a dry place
on the being-watered lawn

"Say, are you connected with the hydrants here?"
"No, I'm not" I tell him
not even trying to stifle the chortle
spraying with a rainbow from my face

Dennis Holt
Venice Sept. 17 1976

And When The Broken Hearted People Living In The World Agree. There Will Be An Answer...

"Let It Be"



I can't get laid.

Unless you count the guy who walked up and said "I'm looking for a girl to go home with me and go to bed with me." Typical. I wasn't sure if he was talking to me or someone behind me, and turned around to look. I never agree to go home with a man until I know whether he's speaking to me. I guess I'm just old-fashioned. It seems men can't relate to real women, just airbrushed images.

"The Playmate thing was dehumanizing because people started seeing me as nothing but a dumb sexpot. Even acquaintances developed different attitudes."
-Playmate quoted in L.A. Reader 4/3/81

"When I seen that movie, I started having rape fantasies. It was like a little voice saying, it's all right, go ahead. It's all right, they even make movies of it. The movie was just like a big picture stand with words on it, all of it saying, Go out and do it; everybody's doing it."
-Convicted rapist quoted in Mother Jones, July 1982

"Wide-open exploitation desensitizes. What we have is not liberation but dehumanization."
-Norman Cousins quoted in Saturday Review

For the slow people, let me point out that I'm not being a prude, I just want to get laid.

Is upholding media exploitation, for its own sake, more important than the quality of our lives? You may say you don't want anyone telling you what to look at, but that is exactly what the media is doing right now. As Mort Sahl said, "Television is a dictatorship now."

My friend Harvey once said "Ya gotta do what works." This may sound obvious, but is the media doing what "works" when it glorifies criminals and sensationalism? (Hint: "I killed John Lennon so I could be famous.")

"The sin of the movies is that they have cheapened men's dreams by teaching them to yearn to be glamorous rather than to strive to be good."
-Los Angeles Times

"Television seems to contribute little that is useful except to the pocketbooks of those involved."
-Time Magazine

If you still parrot the old cliché "you can't prove it leads to crime," what in hell proof are you waiting for? John Lennon is dead!

Scientific proof is defined as the ability to make predictions. The head of the L.A. County Child Abuse Ward states that child abusers follow role models such as their own abusive parents or news stories of child abuse. I started to notice that this actually happened. One week after reports of a baby falling head-first into his mother's bucket of cleaning water, another baby died in exactly the same way.

I predicted the way in which a woman would be mutilated and left for dead a month before it happened, because of news stories about a prior similar occurrence where the woman survived. I thought "Don't they know it will just happen again if they go on and on about the gory details?" I was horrified to think it would happen again and made a promise to avenge what happened to a second victim if there was one. And there was. She was the mother of two small children. The only thing I didn't count on was that she died, so I didn't get to tell her of my promise. But I'll keep it anyway. What would you do?

I seek vengeance through working to reform the media which killed that woman (and John). Freedom is being taken with a sense of license instead of a sense of responsibility. Free speech has become a sacred cow supported in theory by masses of people who don't care enough to see through the moneymakers who use it as a loophole. Freedom should be more than just another word for nothing left to lose. I thought freedom was supposed to feel good. What happened to John felt: a) Bad; b) Other (please specify).

People who say they uphold the Constitution would be hard-pressed to quote three lines from it, and people who say that cutting out some of the garbage would lead to stifling the classics, would be hard-pressed to name three (besides War and Peace. Anyway, I meant three that you had read. Oh, never mind.)

It's the presence of trash, not its absence, that has stifled the classics (John probably had a few left in him). As Yale's Professor Bickel said: "The moral atmosphere is the ultimate regulator of conduct."

From Mother Jones Magazine:

Do you suppose Thomas Jefferson believed that airbrushed centerfold nudes, CIA news plants or corporate-dominated media would protect the public?

The First Amendment meant to protect political types of speech and even that is subject to regulation as to "time, place, and manner" according to the Supreme Court. There are millions of laws dealing with speech, from copyright to labels to what you can print on your letterhead. (Do you think they would bore us with "Take only as directed" if they didn't have to?) A few more rules dealing with media exploitation wouldn't hurt. I propose a Constitutional Amendment that the media should give 2 & 1/2 seconds consideration to whether they're creating value. George Washington said: *For every right that you cherish, you have a duty that you must fulfill.* Even the Bible says "Follow the spirit, not the letter, of the law."

You may pretend you don't think the media influences us (TV Guide: Television's cumulative impact has changed the way we perceive the world), but explain why a million people paid exorbitant prices for plastic handbags with someone else's initials on them (Louis Vuitton). Two friends of mine bought them and actually believed that they wanted them. They're so far gone they're over the edge, and so are most people. They bought the clichés and there's no turning back.

"We don't know why someone controlled you. They bought and sold you." -Beatles

"A man hears what he wants to hear and disregards the rest." -Simon and Garfunkel

"I shouted out 'Who killed the Kennedys?' Why, after all, it was you and me." -Rolling Stones

Things have to get as bad as they can be before people speak out. Quigley's Law. Nothing is done until nothing is done. If you want martial law, that's where we're headed. (Hint: Yoko gave \$25,000 to a police fund after John died.)

For the people who still say "you can't prove it leads to crime", what proof will you accept? Scientific? The words or criminals? Washington? Saturday Review? Time Magazine? Mother Jones? Mort Sahl? Yale Professors? The Supreme Court? You may argue with the Bible, but who among you can argue with Simon and Garfunkel? I would certainly like to peruse the exploiters' list of references, if any.

Please write to the address below and tell the children what their mother died to preserve. I'm just keeping a promise.

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P.S. But let me leave you with a positive thought. The fool who shot John will be foiled in his bid for immortality. For it will be our ignorance, and not the hand of one man, which will be remembered as that which slew John Lennon.▶

Venetians At The Polls

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Milwood	77	20	1	66	16	18	47	63	531	174	21	14
Central	79	19	2	65	18	17	30	70				
Canals	73	25	1	64	13	23	49	51				
So. East	58	40	1	63	10	27	55	45				
Peninsula	65	34	0.5	64	7	29	45	55				
VEN. TOTAL	75	23	2	67	14	19	39	61	77	19	2	2
44th Assemb.	61	37	0.5	64	5	31	51	49	53	44	2	1
L.A. COUNTY	52	46	1	59	2	36	53	47				
STATE	48	49	1	57	2	37	56	44				

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No. Beach	76	34	87	13	67	33	72	28	33	67
Oakwood	57	43	77	23	58	42	57	43	34	66
Milwood	67	33	79	21	66	34	62	38	48	52
Central	72	28	82	18	59	41	66	44	40	60
Canals	67	33	77	23	54	46	62	38	47	53
So. East	56	44	66	34	47	53	51	49	53	47
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Peace & Freedom Breaking Out is Hard to Do



By John Haag

Although they all received enough votes to stay on the ballot, this year's election was not kind to California's three alternative political parties: American Independent, Libertarian and Peace and Freedom. Four years ago the Libertarian candidate for Governor won over half a million votes; this year only 79,107. American Independent statewide candidates polled less than their registration (145,417) except in the Controller race, where their candidate received 17,288 votes.

Peace and Freedom statewide candidates drew about half the votes they received four years ago, but two PFP candidates, Florence McDonald for Controller with 180,316 votes and Dan Siegel for Attorney General with 175,760 votes, were the two highest vote-getters of all minor party candidates. Since Peace and Freedom has the lowest registration figure (48,993 compared to AI 145,417 and Lib 73,438), the vote totals show that McDonald and Siegel got more than three times as many votes as there are PFP registrants. Our candidates succeeded in convincing more voters outside our party than American Independents or Libertarians did.

Jack Hampton, who won 1,737 votes in his race for Assembly in the 44th District, persuaded twice as many voters as the 853 who are registered PFP in the District. His general election campaign spent \$200, mainly for leaflets, less than compared to over a million dollars spent by the Democrat and Republican.

In a post-election statement Hampton stated that, "my campaign achieved a significant victory. My principal reason for running in such a difficult district was to re-build the Peace and Freedom Party in this area, and that has been an unqualified success."

Hampton cited the formation in June of the Santa Monica-Venice chapter of the Peace and Freedom Party and the opening of our Venice office in September at 1354 W. Washington Blvd. Chapter meetings are held at the office on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, beginning at 7:30 p.m. For information call 396-3555 or 399-7614.

Peace and Freedom active members both locally and elsewhere are now discussing future projects. A plan to circulate a statement of support for draft registration resisters has been postponed due to the dismissal of charges on Monday, November 15, against Pasadena draft registration resister David Wayte. U.S. District Judge Terry J. Hatter Jr. declared that Wayte's prosecution was discriminatory because he was selected by reason of his vocal opposition to draft registration. Judge Hatter also held that a 1980 presidential proclamation ordering draft registration was invalid because it was put into effect sooner than the law allowed. This decision puts the entire registration program in doubt while the government appeals Hatter's decision.

Local PFP members are considering a variety of local projects including uses for the former railroad right-of-way along Electric Avenue, an initiative in Santa Monica for a federal health care plan and forming or joining a coalition to oppose Pat Russell in the upcoming municipal election.

Plans are already under way for a voter registration drive to increase Peace and Freedom Party membership and participation locally and statewide and for a National Outreach Committee to form a national coalition for the 1984 presidential election. We expect the Santa Monica Venice chapter to be heavily involved in both projects.

If these ideas interest you, or you have other ideas you'd like to bring to our attention, write or call the office or come to a meeting. The office is available for meetings of up to 20 people. PFP t-shirts, sweatshirts, bumper stickers, posters and buttons are available at the office, and we can design and produce graphic material for other groups and individuals.

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The workshops are being held in Westminster Elementary School Auditorium, 1010 W. Washington Blvd. in Venice. The times are Tuesdays from 12:30 PM-3:30 PM for children up to the age of 12, 4:00 - 6:00 PM for teenagers and on Fridays from 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM for all ages. For information call 399-9374.

As the directors of our workshop, we were ourselves inspired by doing workshops until chosen from the same Theatre of Performing Arts. And now we have a very good community response. Children from all over Venice have participated, and all ages from babies on up.

This project entails quite a bit and has brought about many positive reactions and adult appreciation as well. We would like to give thanks to the principal, Mr. Klein, and Vice Principal, Mr. Miller, and to the staff, who have been very supportive of our efforts.

This is only a token of our deepest appreciation for being able to do our live performance at Westminster School, and a very fine performance it was. We also do live video taping in the Venice area on a weekly basis. Productions are very well prepared, and we are excited about our next project.

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Thank you!

Ellis Ware, Robert Shipp

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RONNIE'S REMNANTS

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lines at the old movie palaces when his pictures had played there. They saw families gathered around their humble Christmas dinners scavenged from the trash. They saw polluted rivers, empty automobile plants, crime in the streets. "Bah!" cried Scrooge. "Are there no prisons? Are there no workhouses? Begone, Ghost! I bleed for the unemployed but I know when it's time to apply a tourniquet. You do not."

He clung to his pillow and prayed for sleep. It came, but soon there was another interruption. Not a bell this time. It was more like a siren. YOWL, YOWL, YOWL!

"Gee up!" he cried. His pillow had become a horse. He was back in the saddle. The siren continued its urgent message and he, Reagan Scrooge, rode to the rescue! Overjoyed, he rode through the portal of clouds. Yet he was aware of a subtle change coming over his steed. Its ears were growing longer, its body thicker, its coat was turning gray.

And when he heard it bray he knew he'd made a mistake.

"God help me!" he cried. "I'm riding a donkey!"

"He haw," said the Donkey, "I am the Ghost of Elections Yet to Come."

"Humbug!" cried Scrooge.

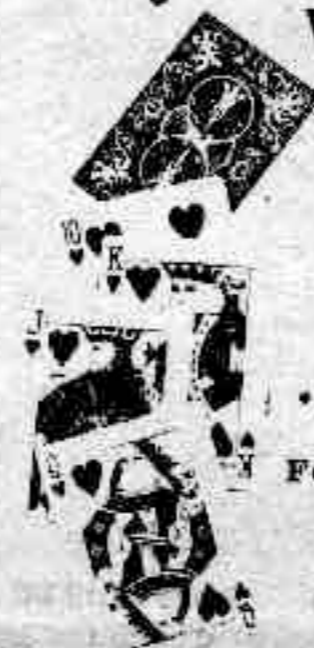
"Look yonder, Scrooge."

Beyond the clouds, Scrooge beheld a montage sequence just like one of those old movies he'd starred in. Newspapers fell one by one off the presses, their headlines reading: DEMOCRATS GAIN IN CONGRESS. MORE STATES VOTE FOR NUCLEAR FREEZE. DEMOS PROMISE MORE JOBS. The vision changed to a cheering crowd on Election Day. He saw dead Democrats rising from the grave to take over all the major offices! And who was that man shaking hands with the voters, a future Presidential candidate? TOM HAYDEN?

"YIYEEEEEE!" he screamed. Shaking, he realized that his hands were again only clutching his pillow. Morning sunlight streamed in through the wide White House windows. Outside a small group of American Legionnaires dressed as cowboys sang, "Merry Christmas, Mr. President."

"God bless us every one," cried Reagan Scrooge. "It was only a nightmare."

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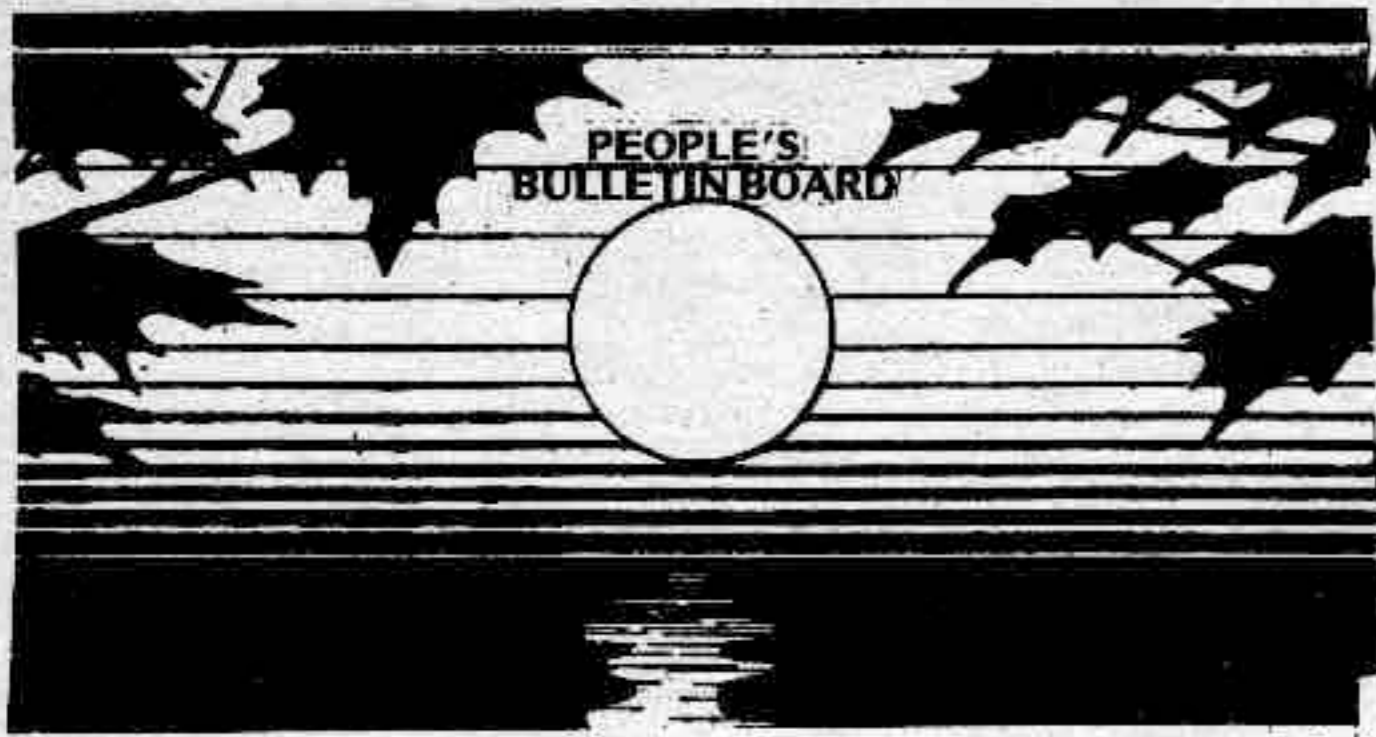
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Sieroty is retiring from the Calif legislature after 16 years. "Alan has long stood for principles that we all care so much about. Rarely does a community have such an opportunity to thank and express deep appreciation for a public servant of the caliber of Alan Sieroty" said chairperson Irma Colen

All Proceeds of the Tribute will be donated to the Venice Free Clinic! The Clinic, like Venice, has been a special concern for the senator. The Clinic treats low income people and has been since 1970. Every weekday volunteer doctors provide care to children, adults and seniors. It is supported primarily by private donation and is free to those who cannot pay. Co Chairs of the evening include: Sheldon Andelson, Judi and Gordon Davidson, Snooky and Sam Goldman, Betty and Stanley Sheinbaum, and Marcia Weisman. For info and tickets call 658-5765.

(note: although we think most Beachhead readers will not be able to afford this event, we would like to thank Alan Sieroty for all his help to the Venice community over the last several years. Good luck to you, Alan!)

American Jewish Responses to Israel

Wed. Dec 8, 8 pm. Norman Podhoretz, Editor in Chief of Commentary Magazine will speak. Dialogue will follow. Sinai Temple, 10400 Wilshire Blvd Los Angeles (@ Beverly Glen) \$3. Sponsored by Jewish Federation Council. Info 852-1234 x 2500

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Sun., Dec 5, 4 pm. Reception and reading of Laurel Ann Bowen's new collection 'Do Ignas Dance, Under the Moonlight'. Free. SPARC 685 Venice Blvd 822-9560

Sat. Dec 4, 6:30 pm. Poetry Connection on KPFK Linda Macaluso, director of the Venice Poetry workshop, Venice resident, one of So. Calif.'s most controversial and distinctive new writers. Interviewed by Wanda Coleman and Austin Straus. KPFK 90.7 P.M.

VENICE POETRY WORKSHOP

Dec. 7. Sandy Berrigan
Dec. 14. Halimah Brooks, Thomas Casanova Richerson.
Dec. 16. Erin Fitzgerald, Lorrie Sprecher, Harriet Jones.
Dec. 21. Tim Joyce.
Poetry Workshops each Wednesday open to all. Bring your work, one or two poems not in excess of 5 minutes total. Meet other poets and writers The Old Venice Jail. 685 Venice Blvd (also known as SPARC) For info call 822-9560

GEORGE SAND POETRY

Dec. 12. Garner Simmons discusses his new book

MUSIC

HOLLY NEAR

Fri, Dec 17th Royce Hall UCLA 8 pm. Debuts her new album "Speed of Light" \$10.

Tom Tedesco Makes Good

The Venice composer-guitarist has released a new album on Nimbus Records called "Ocean" It is available at Rino Records in Westwood and Tower Records in Hollywood. About 8 bucks.

SANTA MONICA CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Sun. Dec 12 3 PM. Mozart's Symphony #34 in G; Corelli's Christmas Concerto; Britten's Simple Symphony. Free. St. Paul's Lutheran Church 958 Lincoln Blvd. S.M. info 451-1346

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GYPSY FIRE DANCER

Monday nights, 6: pm, at the Comeback Inn. Rosa is accompanied by Alberto de Almar, flamenco guitarist. 1633 W. Washington, Venice 396-7255

CERAMICS AND CALLIGRAPHY

Dec. 4-5 Sat, and Sun. Show by V. Norton, local Venice artist from noon to 7 pm. At the south-east corner of Breeze Ave and Speedway. Gift items to be shown.

COLOR PHOTOGRAPHY

To Dec. 3 only. Color photography by Jerry Sierra from an earlier show at Cameravision Gallery and The Canon Photo Gallery. At Comeback Inn, 1633 W. Washington Blvd. Venice Info Jerry Sierra 823-6392 or Comeback Inn.

WATERCOLORS

Thru Dec. 13. Watercolors by Eric Salsbury. Gallery, 1st Unitarian Church, 2936 W. 8th St LA

COMPOSITIONS IN LANGUAGE & SOUND

Dec 4 thru Feb 5 1983. Performance by Pauline Oliveros of electronic and tape music, and Compositions in Language and Sound, and installation of tape pieces by Jean Paul Cunnay, Ann Hankinson, et al. At Beyond Baroque, \$5 Old Venice City Hall 681 Venice Blvd 822-3006

RADICAL THERAPY FORUM

Dec. 5 and Dec. 19. Lectures and discussions on psychology for the people. Meets first and third Sundays of each month at 7-10 pm, 1946 14th St.. Santa Monica. Dec 5 part 1; Dec. 19 part 2. Speaker is Bond Wright, Reichian therapist who will address relationships: drawing from known anthropological data, and from a feminist perspective, models of emotional and sexual arrangements will be explored such as omnigamy, group marriage, adult sibling adoption, monogamy and "open" relationships with a view to their primary problems and advantages to the modern person today. Donation \$5 but no one turned away for lack of funds. For further info call: 393-3779.

HYPERTENSION IN VENICE

Venice Family Clinic announces that it has received a grant from the Calif. State Dept of Health to run an innovative, pilot project on hypertension control. Project is headed by Sherrie Kaplan and Dr. Sheldon Greenfield of UCLA. Objective is to get patients to be more assertive and more responsible for their own care viz doctors. Patients will be given their medical records and taught to understand and interpret them. Demystifying of medical interventions. Info: 392-8636, Ms Fern Seizer

CLARA FOUNDATION

Dec 8 10:30 am. Ruth King and Rochelle Davis will talk on Special Needs of Women and Children Contact Byron Campbell 450-5123. CLARA 909 Pico Blvd, Santa Monica.

NUTRITION & HOLISTIC MEDICINE

Sun. Dec. 19, 8 pm. Daniel George M.D., Homeopath and Nutritionist from India now practicing in Pacific Palisades. Learn of advanced techniques. Presented by Singletarians at First Unitarian Church in S.M., Forbes Hall, 1721 Arizona near 18th, behind the Church 394-4318

Tues, Dec 7. Free Lecture "The Principles and Practices of Infant Feeding" by Jill Nussinow, R.D., consulting Nutritionist for Pregnant Women, Parents, Infants and Children. Free. 8:30 Santa Monica Public Lib. Info 827-8919

ALCOHOLISM CENTER FOR WOMEN

Alcoholism Recovery: A Miracle Worth Celebrating. Dec. 12. Chanukah Celebration - 2 PM
Dec. 18 Pinata Party 3-6 PM
Dec 25 Christmas Open House 1-5 PM
Dec. 31 Women's New Year's Eve Dance 9 PM-2 AM 1147 So. Alvarado St. L.A. info 381-7851 ask for Nancy Taylor.

WOMEN

GLORIA ALLRED SPEAKS!

Dec 5, 11 am, Sunday. "1983 And Women's Rights: Where to We Go From Here?" Child care provided Question period. First Unitarian Church of L.A. 2936 W 8th St. Info Phyllis Prickett 389-1356

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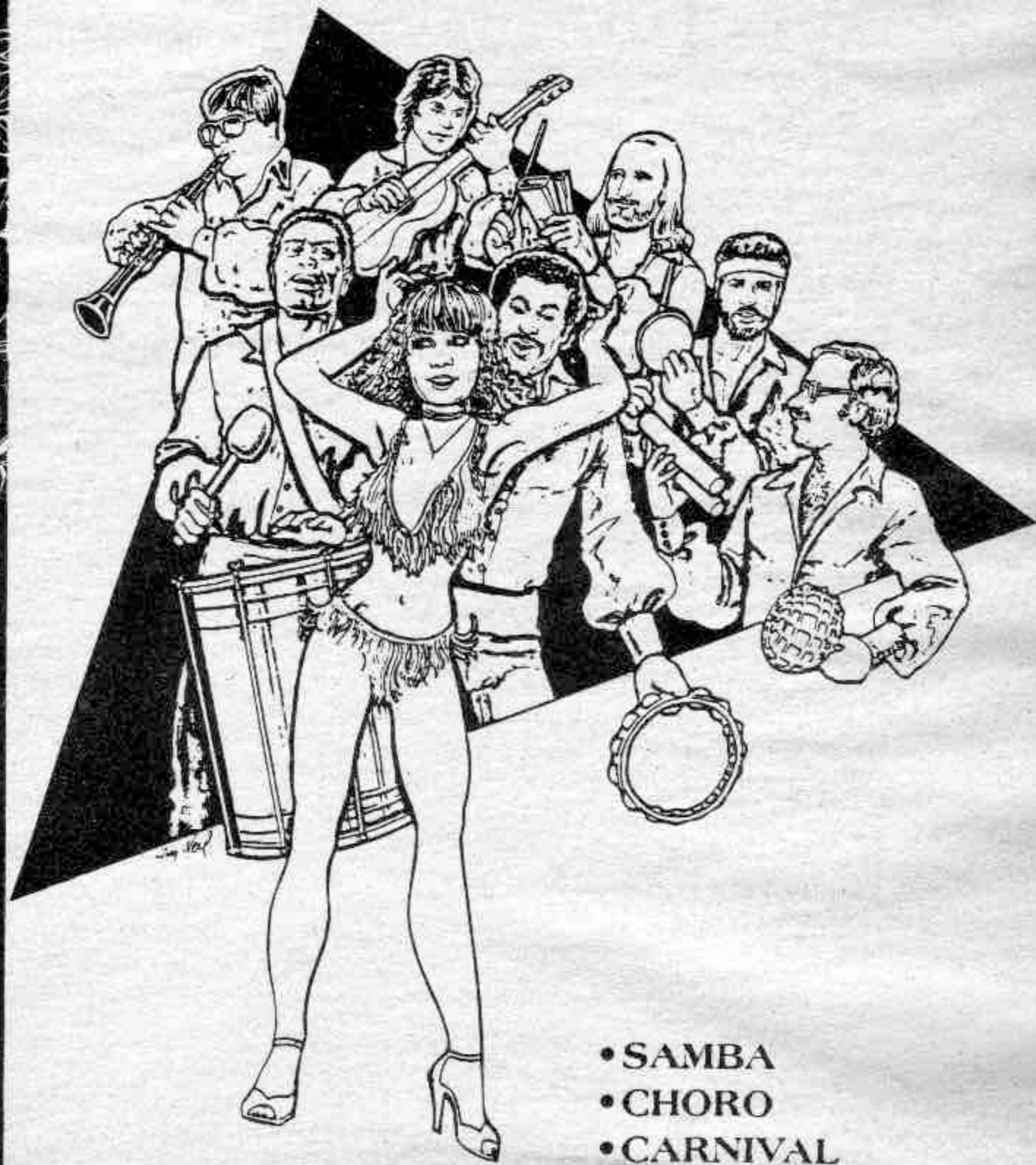
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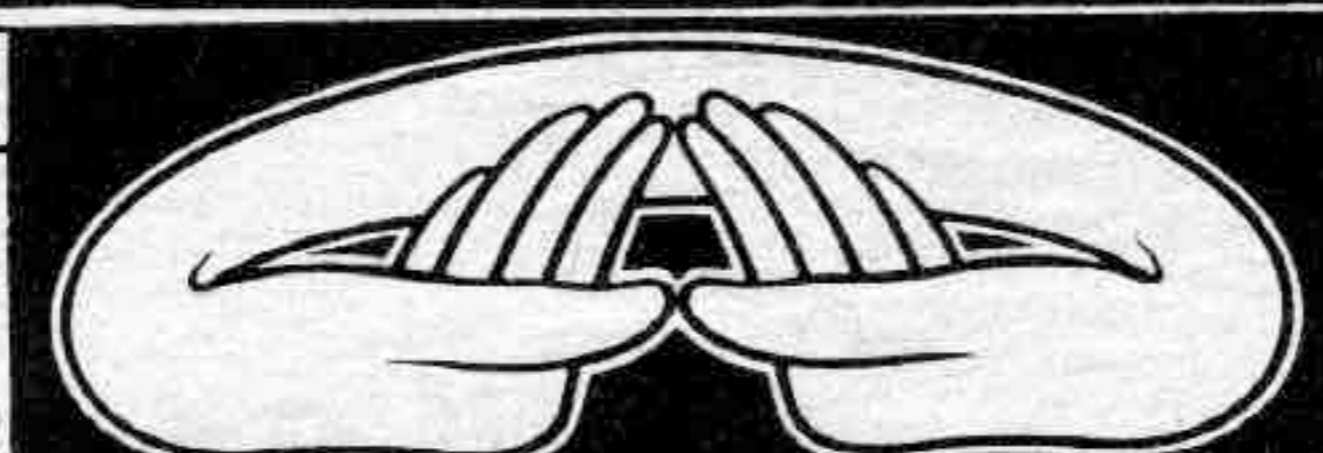
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BLOOMQUIST BODY SURVIVES HALF CENTURY

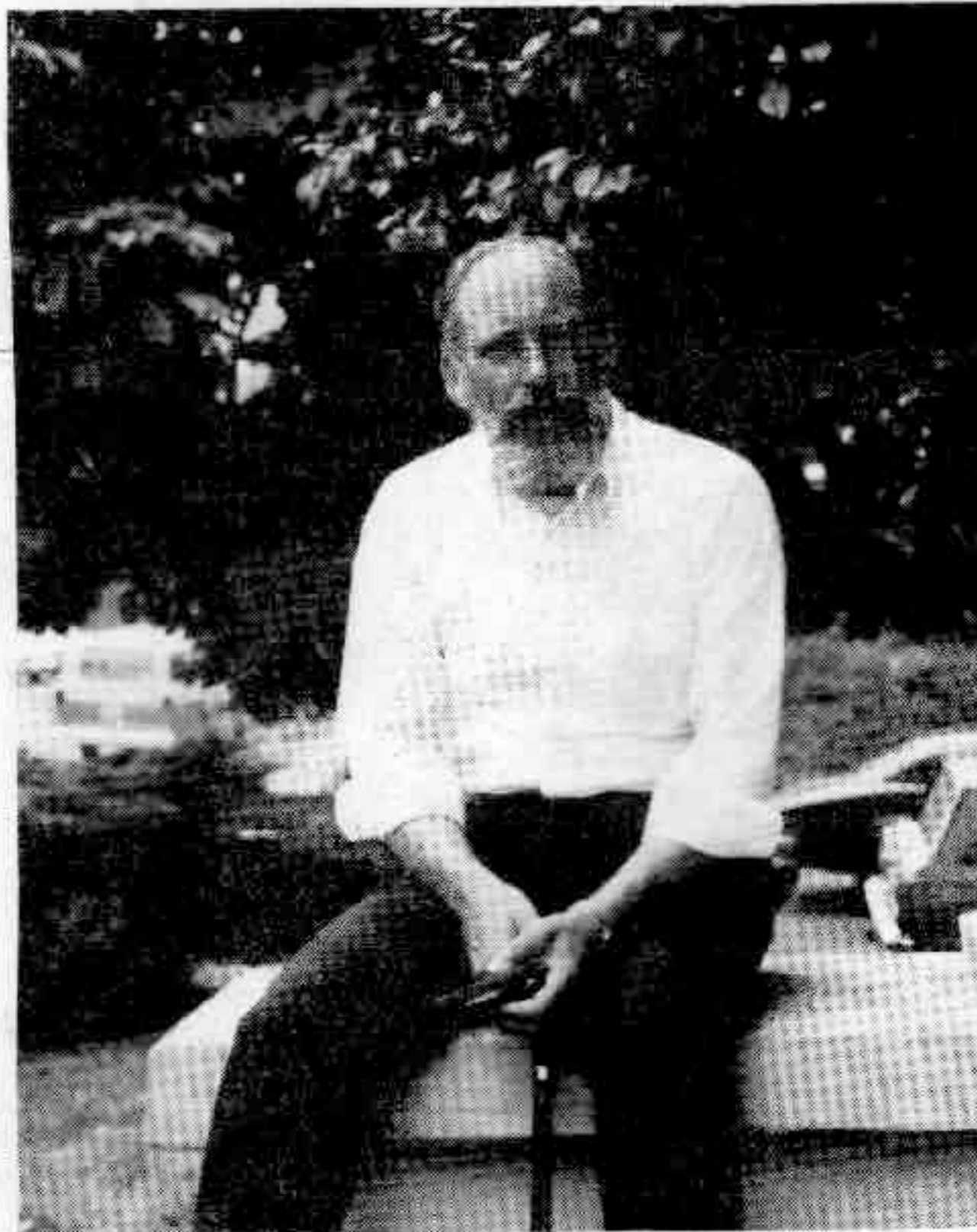
VENICE, CA: Dec. 19, 1982

Charles "Chuck" Bloomquist, sometime collective booker and rumored, at one time, editor of the Free Venice Beachhead, celebrated his 50th birthday today at a surprise party thrown by his wife, Terry, and his myriad of children.

Bloomquist, longtime Venice activist, energy analyst for a giant military industrial complex conglomerate, and amateur stargazer, was visibly shaken when 60-odd of his friends crashed through the door of his home at 4th Street in Venice, shouting "Viva, Viva, I'd Rather Be Smashing Imperialism!"

A noted drinking braggart and purveyor of thousands of varieties of chili, Bloomquist has often wined and dined his friends to fartdom. Bloomquist has also been known to seduce same friends to join him in the back alley with tales of lunar eclipses and heavenly bodies. At appointed times of the year, Chuck has led vast caravans of pilgrims to wander aimlessly in the desert, throwing horseshoes beneath the blazing sun.

Bloomquist, father of the myriad, states, "I had to be active..I had enormous hyperenergy and my juices were flowing. I had to do something." Obviously, his high powered career in the mega-power-energy hotspots of the world did not dissipate his creative flow.



The Beachhead did. Chuck volunteered to serve the Beachhead and the community with the zeal of a reborn neophyte. Chuck bloomed quickly as the paper's financial editor. "I love the Beachhead," mused Bloomquist, "I hate to leave it. I mean, I liked the comraderie, the rock and roll, the sex, the drugs, the calm, reasoned discourse about heady issues. The Beachhead office often seemed like being in the cockpit of history."

Sipping a glass of Venice Free Flow, wine pressed by the sweat of his brow, Bloomquist's eyes slyly twinkled, "50 is nifty with good wine, hot jazz and collective living."

We wish you 50 more!

Love.....



AUTHORITIES INVESTIGATE THEFT AT NEWSPAPER

VENICE (UPI, AP, UPS) Authorities here, in the sleepy little coastal burg, are baffled by reports of missing items at the local newspaper. At first considered merely a missing persons case, the CIA-LAPDPIDFBICINTELPRO joint task forces on the scene now suspect a much bigger crime.

In the past month the Free Venice Beachhead has reported the loss of such items as fairhandedness, sense of humor, short reports, and opinions of last resort. The local rag has been unable to place a monetary value on the missing items, claiming, instead, that they are invaluable. The prime suspect, a shadowy figure known only by the obvious psuedonym of "Chuck," has thus far eluded all attempts to locate his whereabouts.

"We'll get to the bottom of this," say the authorities. Beachhead staffers, however, are not so confident, fearing a permanent loss.



I'd Rather Be Smashing Imperialism

CHUCK'S BRIEFS

