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## Somethin's Happenin' Here

### Trojan Horseplay

by MOE STAVNEZER

The L.A. Planning Commission, over the objection of its staff, approved Werner Scharff's proposal for a senior housing building on Paloma Ave.

The building is scaled down from 40ft. and 40 units to around 36ft. and 24 units. Questions about management of the building, including who will chose tenants or ensure that they remain as affordable, were left unanswered. Scharff was quoted in a daily L.A. newspaper stating that such questions will not be addressed until he has all the permits he needs. But, once he has the permits, who will be able to control what the man does? Sounds like a little catch-22 to me.

The only concession Scharff made was to put in writing that about 1/3 the park-spaces, out of a total of 70, will be made available to community residents. No one knows exactly what that means since neither "community" nor "residents" was in any way defined. The other half of the parking spaces are to be reserved for use by Scharff, known as the applicant, to accommodate parking needs for other of his properties in the area. A euphemism for the Cadillac building which is never mentioned in any of the official papers regarding this permit though it is intimately connected to it.

About the same time this action was taken, the City issued Scharff an exemption for the remodeling of the Cadillac. What that means is that Scharff does not have to go thru the permit process having convinced the bureaucrat who made the decision that the work on the Cadillac is merely repair and maintenance! Scharff is claiming that the Cadillac is currently a hotel and that no permit is needed because no change is taking place.

Now don't say I didn't warn you about Trojan horses.



### Shady Business on West Washington

by Paul D. Freedman

The West Washington Blvd. Merchants Association, in cooperation with Sixth District Councilwoman Pat Russell, will sponsor a "Venice Summer Festival" on Sunday, June 17, 1984. Street closure of West Washington Bl. from Venice Bl. to Brooks Ave. is planned by the Association.

The Festival will include participation by all Boulevard merchants, vendors of all types of merchandise, visits by sports and arts celebrities and elected officials, a fashion show of new and vintage clothing and swim wear, live music and other entertainment, and foods from around the world.

Anyone interested in participating should contact Vendors/Service Groups, Shady Business 392-9844.

-press release

### Venice Veggies



Workbook/CpI

A group of Venice residents has been meeting to explore ways and means of establishing a farmers market here in Venice. The idea would replicate the present examples of farmers markets currently enjoying great success in Santa Monica and in many other So. Calif communities.

These markets, also called Direct Marketing Programs, allow small farmers to sell their produce directly to consumers at up to 35% less than the retail price for supermarket purchased fruits and vegetables. The program is sponsored by local communities and the Calif. Dept. of Agriculture.

What is presently needed is a loyal group of dedicated volunteers to help plan for the start up of a Venice Farmers Market. A support group of interested people has met on two occasions and is presently searching for a site, getting out publicity, and getting themselves educated on the particulars of the program. The group hopes to have a farmers market here in Venice as early as this summer.

Anyone interested in participating or learning more about the project should call Ms. Rosie Fine, head of the publicity committee, at 392-9335.

Arnold Springer

### Southern Pacific Railroads Venice

It is reported that the Southern Pacific has agreed to sell its right of way in Venice and that most of it has either already been purchased or is in escrow.

The right of way, which runs from Washington St. in the south to Pier Ave in the North, is situated just east of Mildred Ave and Washington Blvd. and runs diagonally across Venice from south to north-west.

The strip of land was originally granted to the Santa Fe Railroad in 1887, later was owned by the California Railway Co and the Southern Pacific Co. The line fell into disuse as freight was more and more delivered locally by truck.

The right of way has been on transportation peoples minds recently as a way to put an extension of the Marina Freeway thru Venice, or as a possible site for rapid transit or a light rail line.

The property included in the right of way between Venice and Palms has been reportedly purchased by a Mr. Slayton who happens to be the major property owner on the east side of Electric Ave. The strip between Palms and California in part is already fenced off and is reportedly purchased. Another rumour has it that Mike Zacha of the Merchant of Venice has sought to purchase the right of way strip between California and Westminster. The strip between Westminster and Brooks is also reportedly in escrow, with parts of it already fenced off.

This strip of land, the right of way, is zoned C-2, which means that either residential, offices, studios, or rentals can be built on the site. It may also be possible to build artist-studios on the site.

Although on the market for several years the land did not move because Southern Pacific insisted on selling the entire right of way to one party. Failing to move the property the Company decided to sell it in smaller parcels and this strategy proved successful.

Arnold Springer





# Beachhead Needs Volunteers

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## LETTERS

To: Letters Editor, FREE VENICE BEACHHEAD  
Dear Ed Pearl:

Your March 'Beachhead' wisdom and cogent appraisal of the Jesse Jackson and Rainbow Coalition challenge inspired my review of party registration mechanics and types of approaches:

1. Sagacious switching when appropriate between Democratic and 3rd party registration: evaluating relative importance of issues' consciousness or effective action.

2. Die-hard Third party or nothing.

3. My lazy way out: remaining registered Democratic, primarily: choosing better over worse: countervailing (but appreciating) diehards of all or nothing, and ready to go for it all, whenever.

My complacency has been challenged: Suggesting that more thorough examination of ad hoc avenues could raise choices' consciousness for more effective procedure at the polling place.

Sincerely,

Carol Corrigan  
(Jesse Jackson delegate  
27th Congressional  
District)

Dear Beachhead:

I do not have to qualify to you and say that I have been a resident for years but then again I say this to point out the fact that I have been around this community for a while. Many things in this country and world bother me, they are not up to par with the way of life on earth can be. Each one of us has to take a stand in the community and go for the life we want it to be. I'm tired of hearing people bitch about government when they are so unwilling to do something themselves. What am I talking about; war, hunger, money, housing...? No friends, I know that through ongoing work these things will clear up in time if we continue to take responsibility for these conditions and not lose sight of our vision to have positive change come. What I am talking about though, is litter; the act of having something in our hand and dropping it in the place where you stand, walk and breathe. Yes, some of you say, "Hey, I don't do that." or "It's the damn tourists." but whatever the reasoning is, it exists and only we can be the source of cleaning up the community in which we live. Once a week I go out and clean litter as far as my eye can see (100 yards or so) and some days my wife joins me. We both work, pay taxes and yet, bitching ain't going to get it. If I want it clean I got to do it and fellow neighbor, I can't do it alone. But I will. As my wife and I clean around our rented home we see many residents walk by with other things to do, they wonder whether we work for the city, or if I'm crazy. But the bottom line is who wants to do that in your spare time? We pay a bunch of city jerks to do that. And so we are up to our asses in litter. It's this attitude of pass the buck that keeps our and other areas ugly. It starts with a stand to end it, then

with action. I do many things in my life and time is very valuable to me. But since I have taken the stand its hard to pass a piece of litter without picking it up. Or at least doing my weekly litter patrol. So I invite you to care, to play and to be partners in having our community be clean for us to live in and set the example to our neighbors. And to the visitors we have on the week ends. Who knows? It might become the hip thing to do.

Yours for a clean and happy Venice  
Scott Wood Blagman

Dear Ruth:

This is in reply to your letter in the February BEACHHEAD.

I said in the article that Mr. Scharf has a lot of power.

I stand by that statement.

It is apparent that Mr. Scharf can move over 30 to 40 people who have lived in one place for many years so that more profits are realized from an ocean front building.

I also said that though I desperately want housing for low-income seniors, I realize that the price the neighborhood would pay for that would be high in regards to esthetics, and in a classic case of the tail wagging the dog, parking.

If I painted Mr. Scharf as a stereotypical money-grubbing, greedy slumlord, I stand abashed. I detest that sort of rhetoric when I read it, and am embarrassed when I'm caught writing it. According to you and some of Mr. Scharf's other tenants, Mr. Scharf has been more than fair in his dealings. Many years ago on the lot which you now lease, Mr. Scharf allowed an art show put on by the Free Venice Committee, a group that was certainly not in complete agreement with Mr. Scharf's Vision of Venice.

Yes, Mr. Scharf is a complex man. He wants streets that one can walk on after dark. So do I.

When I first moved to Venice two decades ago, I was able to walk by the ocean ALONE. In spite of the 200% raise in rents in twenty years, when supposedly all the bad people have been pushed out, I find Venice more unsafe now. How many people, women in particular, feel safe walking on the walkstreets now lit by Hepatitis-yellow lights?

Since the 1970's, when Venice has been inundated by the YUPS (Young Urban Professionals), YUMPS (Young Upwardly Mobile Professionals) and the Afflu-Hips, the 3,000-watt bulbs that my neighbors seem to use as modern HEX signs that in reality do nothing but light up my bedroom, making me feel as if I'm doing time in some Universal Joint. Crimes of rape and assault seem to have gone up. I've noticed that wattage and security measures have gone up in proportion to the rents, and from what I've observed, dope, drinking and noise pollution have not gone down in proportion to the affluency of the neighborhood. Au contraire.

Mr. Scharf marches to a different drummer than I do. I do not begrudge him.

I march to a different drummer than Mr. Scharf.

He can take away my drummer anytime he wants. I'm not saying he will, but he can.

As I said, I'm embarrassed when I perpetuate stereotypes. Perhaps Mr. Scharf might start examining some of the stereotypes he perpetuates. Those of poor people wanting to be poor, people being poor because they deserve it, and that only poor people suck off the government.

I mean, look at Spiro Agnew, Calvin Hamilton and Edwin Meese and his friends.

Love,

Carol Fondiller



BEACHHEAD MAKES THE BIG TIME!!!

The March '84 issue of California magazine quotes AND attributes a recent front page Beachhead article. Most of the time, when the media takes from us, we are "a local community paper."

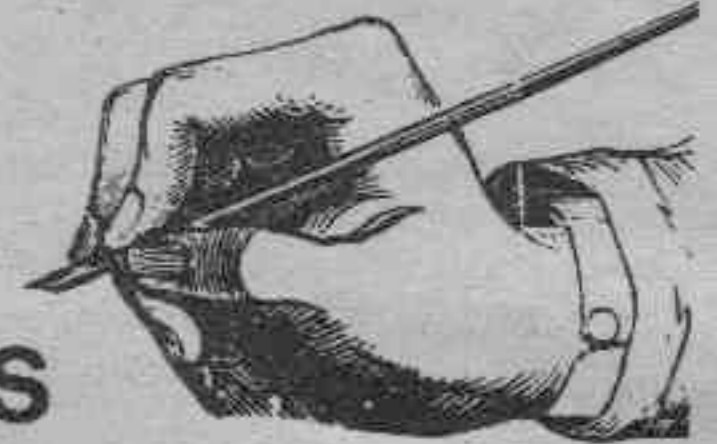
Thanks to California not only for having the sense to use us as a source but also for the courtesy of attributing the material to the Beachhead.

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Dear Beachhead Folks,

Enclosed please find our Media Packet. We are now in the 3rd month of a continual action and would be very thankful for any coverage you can give us. The mainstream L.A. establishment media is actively ignoring all but our most "newsworthy" (their term) events.

Events are continuous and the licensing date is supposedly growing near. We would appreciate a call to Venice folks to come on up and help out in any way they can. We could use creative affinity group actions and staffing to replace folks who had to return home. Venice is close.

Thanx much,  
Mike Niman/Abalone Media  
Collective  
(405) 543-8241

p.s. I also work with a collective paper, 12,000 copies weekly, 5 years, never a vote, never an editor or any hierarchy at all, check it out. Keep up the good work, you folks are inspiration to lots of us! (Alternative News Collective/Alternative Press, 58 Harriman/SUNY AB, Buffalo, NY 14214)

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find enclosed my resume which I use to express my interest in a reporting/writing or entry-level position with your publication after I graduate from the State University of New York at Fredonia in May with a B.A. in English/Specialized Writing.

I will have completed a series of media writing courses plus four internships. One internship involved working as general reporter for the Jamestown Post-Journal (circ. 29,000).

My interest in Beachhead begins with my desire to break into magazine work, starting on the lower rungs of the ladder and climbing up. A smaller publication like Beachhead would allow me to at least be more familiar with all aspects of production, thus allowing me to grow as a professional.

If you wish, you may obtain samples of my work from me. Also, feel free to obtain course lists, college transcripts and reference letters by contacting the FSU Office of Career Development, 5th Floor Maytum Hall, SUNY Fredonia 14063. (716) 673-3327.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Holli A. Rossi



# The View From First Street<sup>3</sup>

## MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR THE HOMELESS DEAD

This last year in Los Angeles, 200 people have died as a result of being homeless. Tonight thousands of women, men and children will again await the morning without benefit of shelter. Chances are good that someone else will die.

When someone is found dead, or nearly dead, on the streets, usually the paramedics are called first. The paramedics notify the Coroner's office, and someone is sent out in a van to pick up the body. It is taken to the County Morgue. The Coroner's office and the office of the Public Administrator work together to identify the body and to find relatives who will claim it. If no one can be found to claim the body, it is brought by truck to the County Crematorium on First Street in East LA. You can see the three smoke stacks from First Street. The Crematorium is staffed by General Relief recipients, who burn the bodies as their Workfare assignment. They unload the bodies and push them into three big ovens with long sticks. The bodies are burned for one hour, then swept into boxes as big as orange crates. Each crate is marked with a paper tag with a case number and either a name or "John Doe." At this time the bones are still in big chunks. If a relative wants to claim the body, the ashen bones are put into a grinder, and the remains are put into a small box with the same tag. If no one has claimed the body, however, the crate of bones and ashes is dumped without ceremony into a plywood covered pit outside the Crematorium. On Monday the hole, perhaps 5' X 8' and who knows how deep, was about three quarters full with bones and ash. There is no list of names on the pit and no marker. Workers at the Crematorium say that they burn eight to twelve bodies a day there. The County Coroner's office says that they handle around five unclaimed bodies a month.

This grisly information is an excerpt from a memorial service for the homeless dead that was held on Ash Wednesday (March 7, 1984) in downtown Los Angeles. The fact that it was organized by the Los Angeles Catholic Worker community is not surprising. These selfless and seemingly tireless workers are consistently the champions of the most helpless and hopeless. What is surprising is that it was organized in conjunction with a group called Poor People's Committee who are formerly homeless men and women taking a stand for the interests of the poor. This committee exists to educate and advocate for shelter, jobs and health care.

The memorial service started at the C.W. soup kitchen (known throughout Skid Row as the Hippie Kitchen). After lighting candles with a litany to the homeless "almost invisible in the night", we anointed our foreheads with ashes and picked up our crosses and flowers. My cross was inscribed with the name, Alan Silicant. Carrying our crosses we proceeded to Pershing Square, called out the names of those we were memorializing, placed the flowers on a coffin and finished with a moment of silent prayer. In the weeks that followed, the hub-bub over prayer in the schools erupted and the superficiality of that spiritual approach stood out in pitiful contrast.

I've tried, since then, to imagine how that must feel and and it's beyond me. No place to go to - to rest, to think; to read; to cry; to put your things away; to go to the toilet. No place to be sick; to make love; to tidy up; to BE. "Invisible in the night."

And who are these "homeless"? They range in age from 20 to 74 years of age, with 52% under age 40. They are 47% white with 60% having completed high school and 26% some college. Veterans comprise 52% (32% from Viet Nam). 51% have been homeless less than one year.

Malnutrition, circulatory difficulties, infestations of lice and infections are familiar physical disorders.

In the end, homelessness is frequently fatal.

These, and more statistics were compiled by Richard Rogers and Marjorie Robertson, post-doctoral fellows at the U.C.L.A. School of Public Health, from a survey conducted at the Union Rescue Mission which is the largest urban mission in the United States.

But who is Alan Silicant whose cross I bear? And whose cross I must bear. I looked him up in the press packet that was being distributed. He had died the day before the memorial service of cancer of the bronchi and the pancreas. He was 44 years old. That's all I know. Did anyone claim him? He was listed as a transient. Is Alan just another bunch of bones shovelled into that plywood covered pit? I guess so.

The Administration has implied that for some people homelessness is a "life-style". Now that sounds sort of jaunty, doesn't it? As if, given the choice, one has opted to be free of responsibility and possessions and live the care-free life of the unfettered.

In reality, the 30,000 homeless have few options. Mental patients released from hospitals have no community mental health facilities to take them in and hotel managers do not have to accept any tenants they think are "nuisances". The new "Okies", victims of unemployment, who come west, cannot find work and the city currently has no public shelters. Undocumented workers and their children often work for wages that are so low that they cannot afford housing. It is illegal to sleep in the streets, on public property, and - by recent statute - in cars, making criminals of the homeless population. More recently, City Council has proposed prohibiting sleeping on bus benches. Private shelters have strict time limits, often only one night.

So, this "life-style" is one of continuous struggle, fraught with peril from disease, vermin, physical assault and severe hypothermia (defined as a core body temperature below 90-95 degrees Fahrenheit). Surprisingly, there are more cases of hypothermia reported at County U.S.C. Medical Center than at the equivalent facility in New York, Bellevue Hospital. Tuberculosis and leprosy which have become virtually extinct in the United States, are found among among the homeless in Los Angeles.

(The Catholic Worker can be reached at (213)629-3478 and the Poor People's Committee at (213)267-8789)

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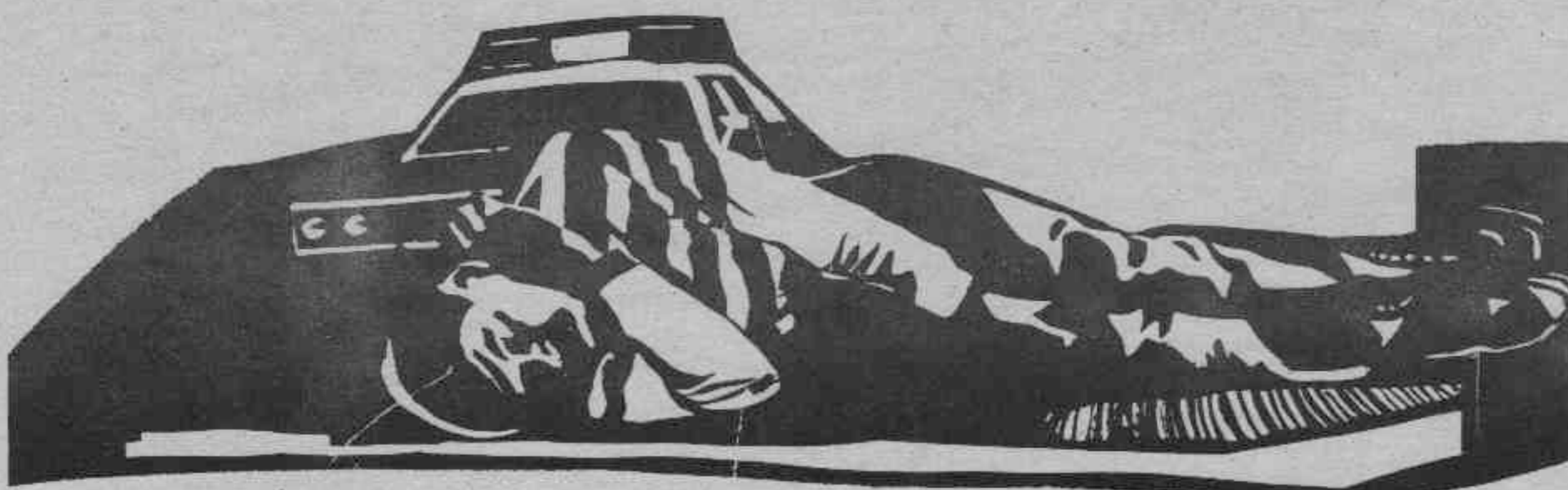
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# Provisional Govt. Proposed

Dateline San Salvador:

Rick Davidson

Sounds like election time. Many of you know that I'm in the Peace & Freedom Party, but I'm not writing about our '84 elections; I have in mind a People's win in El Salvador. It is along these lines that I want to share with those who may not know that 1984 opened with a most important document coming out of El Salvador. It's a PROPOSAL FOR THE FORMATION AND PLATFORM OF A PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT OF BROAD PARTICIPATION. The proposal is signed by the Farabundo Marti Front for National Liberation (FMLN) and the Democratic Revolutionary Front (FDR). The following are excerpts from the proposal; anyone interested in the complete document call me at 396-6876.

It begins:

- " The Democratic Revolutionary Front and the Farabundo Marti Front for National Liberation have been struggling for the final liberation of our people for several years. We have proposed different alternatives to solve the current crisis, believing that the largest number of Salvadorans must share the efforts to achieve peace because only a powerful and broad effort will bring our country out of the destruction in which it has been immersed by the Oligarchic regime and the intervention of the United States government.
- " We face a complex situation nationally. The old oligarchic society and the state that has served it, have bathed in blood their own demise: they have institutionalized an apparatus of repression and exploitation and they propose political maneuvers aimed at covering up their studdorn pursuit of a military solution, because they are unable to meet the demands of thousands of Salvadorans. On the other hand, the escalation of intervention of the Reagan administration has prolonged the war and it threatens to regionalize the conflict.
- " We sustain that the construction of peace in our country requires a process involving the majority of social and political forces. These forces will create a viable solution based upon the elimination of the above factors mentioned and that are the cause of the conflict.
- " Therefore, the FMLN-FDR proposes the formation of a provisional government of broad participation in support of a platform containing the indispensable tasks that we must take on to overcome the current critical situation. It is a platform that will allow our people to

continue its process of social, political and economic transformations toward a truly just society.

The proposal to form the provisional government of broad participation is the result of the development of the democratic and revolutionary forces of the Salvadoran people in the military and political areas. The provisional government of broad participation will not be a government in which only one sector will have control. It will be the expression of the broad participation of the social and political forces ready to end the oligarchic regime and to rescue national sovereignty and independence, a government in which the existence of private property and foreign investments will not be against the social interests.

It will be a provisional government of a duration which will be determined by the fulfillment of its basic objectives, according to the agreements between its parts, and in the understanding that it will not be a long-term government.

Basic objectives of the government are:

1. To rescue national independence and sovereignty.
2. To dismantle the repressive apparatus and lay the groundwork for a true democracy in which human rights and political freedom are fully respected and where broad popular participation to achieve a definitive peace becomes a reality.
3. To respond to the most immediate and pressing needs of the popular majorities and to adopt basic economic and social measures to change these structures.
4. To establish the practical condition needed to solve the actual state of war.
5. To prepare for and hold general elections.

The provisional government of broad participation will have a simplified structure at its highest level. It will have the following bodies:

Government junta, Cabinet, State Advisory Council, Supreme Court of Justice.

Representatives of the labor movement, peasant, teachers, workers, professional associations, universities, political parties, the private sector, representatives of the FMLN-FDR and of an already-restructured army will participate.

The government institutions will be an expression of all of the sectors mentioned above. The oligarchy, individual and sectors who are against the objectives of the provisional government or who advocate maintaining the dictatorship will be excluded.

It then outlines immediate measures to be taken, economic and social reforms, a foreign policy, and the procedures needed to accomplish the proposal. It concludes with,

"Once the process of dialogue-negotiations begins, and reaches an advanced stage, the FMLN-FDR manifests its disposition to negotiate a cease-fire. Once the agreements are concluded, documents will be signed by the parties to the conflict, the mediators and the witnesses in their character of guarantors. The agreements will be applicable immediately in accordance to the dates, phases and procedures agreed upon. This process will end with the organization of a unified national army, formed by the FMLN forces and the restructured governmental armed forces. Until then, both armies will keep their own arms."

Signed 31 January 1984

The call for a provisional government is an important step in the liberation movement; it's a classical transition process. It's obvious that the existing military government can't solve the problems of the people; and it's too little too late for the hollow reforms of the Christian Democrats. The only viable solution is a transition period where the people can create the kind of government they feel will solve their country's problems.

Considering the call for a provisional government in the light of the elections set for March 25th, the real test would be to see along side the two major candidates: Roberto D'Aubuisson, who is closely associated with the Death Squads; and Jose Napoleon Duarte of the Christian Democratic Party, a spot on the ballot for the Provisional Government. I know, neither the government in El Salvador or in Washington would go for that.

It is felt by many organizations working in support of the People's struggle in El Salvador that if the US doesn't intervene militarily, directly that is, in the next nine months, the People will win! Let's hope so, but it isn't sufficient to just hope; US Intervention is too real a prospect and we cannot allow it to happen - or if it does, we must make sure that the political and military costs are more than the Administration can afford.

There is an Emergency Plan in case of an invasion in Central America. The plan has been put forth by the Nov. 12th Coalition (composed of over 50 org.). The plan is to gather at the Placita Olvera - the bandshell at Olvera Street at 5pm or as soon as you can. (on the day of the invasion)

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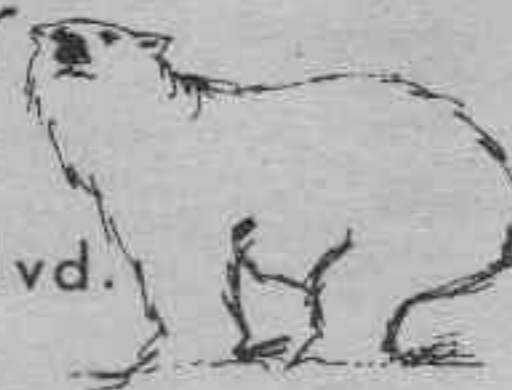
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# Peace On The Pentagon

# A Taxless Proposal

by memphis slim

The largest peace-time military budget in the history of the world is presently being spent by the U.S. Pentagon. The following is a two-part analysis of how much money is being spent and what it is spent for.

Two hundred billion dollars (200+) is being spent this year by the Pentagon. The top companies are McDonnell Douglas, Martin Marietta, Rockwell International, United Technologies, General Dynamics, General Electric, Boeing, Lockheed, Hughes, Raytheon, Grumman, and Chrysler. Their major products include Trident Submarines, Tomahawk Cruise Missiles, Stinger and Terrier Missiles, Tanks, Aircraft, Helicopters, Harpoon Missiles, Nuclear Reactors, Space Vehicles, ICBM Warheads, Trident ICBMs, Assault Ships, Aegis Missiles, the Space Shuttle, AWACS Radar Aircraft, the B-1 Bomber, MX Missiles, Guided Missile Launchers, and Tow, Patriot, Sidewinder, Hawk, Maverick and Phoenix Missiles.

Research is also a major part of the Pentagon's budget. The top military research companies include some of those already mentioned as well as TRW, Westinghouse and Lockheed Space and Missile. The top Educational and Nonprofit Institutions doing military research are Rand Corp., the Univ. of California, M.I.T., Johns Hopkins, Georgia Tech, Ill. Institute of Technology, Aerospace Corp., Mitre Corp., SRI International and Charles Stark Draper Labs.

If you haven't already seen the name of your favorite Fortune 500 company, you'll appreciate knowing that the top missile contractors include other big business names. Companies such as GTE-Sylvania, Honeywell, Northrop, Thiokol, Aerojet and Hercules make missiles for fun and profit. In case you believe that the Pentagon has no sense of humor, 22 armored Mercedes and BMW sedans are being made for military and Pentagon brass.

Just to give you an idea of how many jobs you can buy for one billion dollars; let's say you spend a billion on missiles. You get 29,402 jobs. Housing gives 30,899 jobs for the same money. Railroads do a little better and Public Utilities generate 38,192 jobs for that billion dollars. Mass Transit creates 45,397 jobs which is more than 50% more jobs than the billion for missiles generates.

But not all the budget goes for hardware. The Rapid Deployment Force created by President Carter and increased by Reagan is now a "Unified Command" and includes more than 290,000 troops. These troops include but are not limited to 3 Army Divisions, 3 Carrier Battle Groups, 2 Marine Amphibious Forces and 7 Tactical Fighter Wings. Hay Huevos Aqui!

In addition to our Rapid Deployment Force (read invasion army) we have 25,000 nuclear warheads and Reagan plans to build 17,000 more by the end of the decade. Since 1969 when President Nixon ordered a study of military options called NATIONAL SECURITY STUDY MEMORANDUM #3, the U.S. has pursued a policy of developing the capability for a nuclear first strike against the Soviet Union. This year we're spending almost 4 billion dollars on nuclear warhead production. Most of these will be aimed at the Soviet Union for a possible sneak attack. And people wonder why the Soviets are paranoid.

If the Nuclear Freeze was approved we would stop the MX Missile, the B-1 Bomber, the Trident Missile, the Pershing II Missile and Cruise Missile Series almost immediately and save ourselves 15 billion dollars per annum.

Meanwhile, we have 150,000 tons of mustard gas and 15,000 tons of nerve gas stored away. Current spending on Chemical and Biological warfare is only 1/2 billion dollars per year. Chicken feed!

Next month, SPACE WARS, U.S. TROOPS AND NAVAL FORCES AND THE DRAFT will be our subjects. If we're still here.

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What would you do if someone came to your door with a cup in hand asking for a contribution to help buy guns and kill a group of people they didn't like?

The payment of taxes is a citizen's most direct link with the government's war machine. On April 8, Sunday, from 2:30 to 4 PM, at 928 California Ave., a workshop will be held on War Tax Resistance, its tradition, variety of forms and consequences.

If the extraordinary circumstances of the world today have caused you to consider War Tax Resistance or if you are simply interested in finding out about the history and ways of resistance, you are welcomed.

Also, the Southern California War Resistance invites you to its Peace Vigil, Monday, April 16, at the Terminal Annex Post Office, Alameda and Macy Streets, from 6 to 8:30 PM. For more information: Joe 473-9732 or Eduardo 321-1650.

The bloodiest war in the world since World War II is taking place between Iran and Iraq. This three year old war has seen the widespread use of chemical and gas warfare for the first time since World War I. The extensive use of children (those 16 and under) as warriors is being seen for the first time since the American Civil War. Although every major world government is supporting Iraq, it was not too many years ago that many governments and particularly American leftists were supporting the Ayatollah and his 'revolution'. The Ayatollah has exterminated or exiled his opposition and he now issues plastic keys to heaven to his troops. The world's largest oil slick grows daily in the Persian Gulf as a direct result of this war and the sea cow and other life is being extinguished. Very little press coverage is possible but this war rages every day. Think about it!

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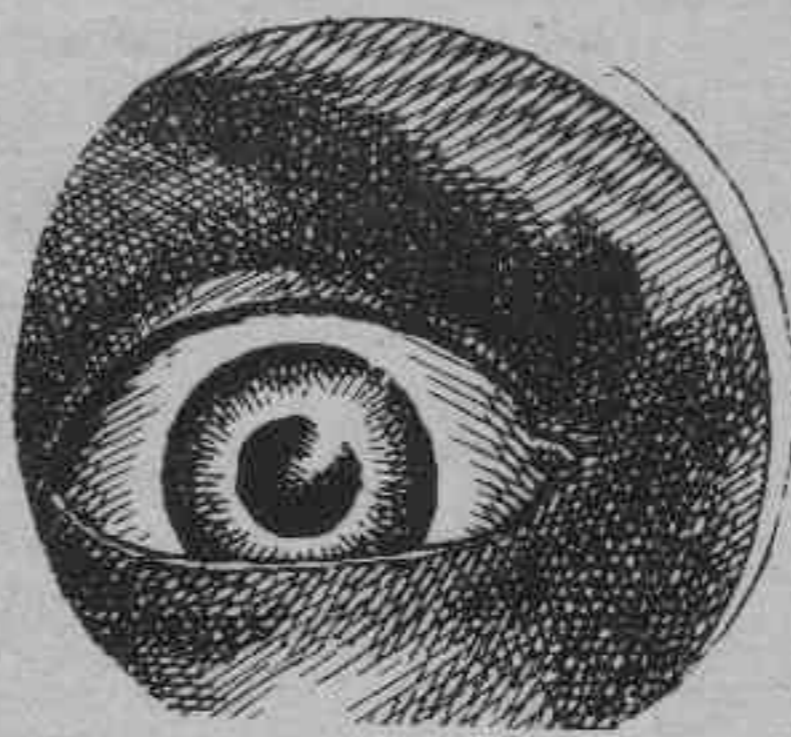
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# What It Is, Ain't

## The Jaundiced Eye



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The "Pave paradise and put up a parking lot" department.....

If any of you question the import of parking in Venicetown, consider this hot item. Tony Bill, the man who LOVES his telephone, has purchased the medical office of Dr. Ben Krentzman. The building is at the corner of Pacific & Market Sts. across from Bill's studio.

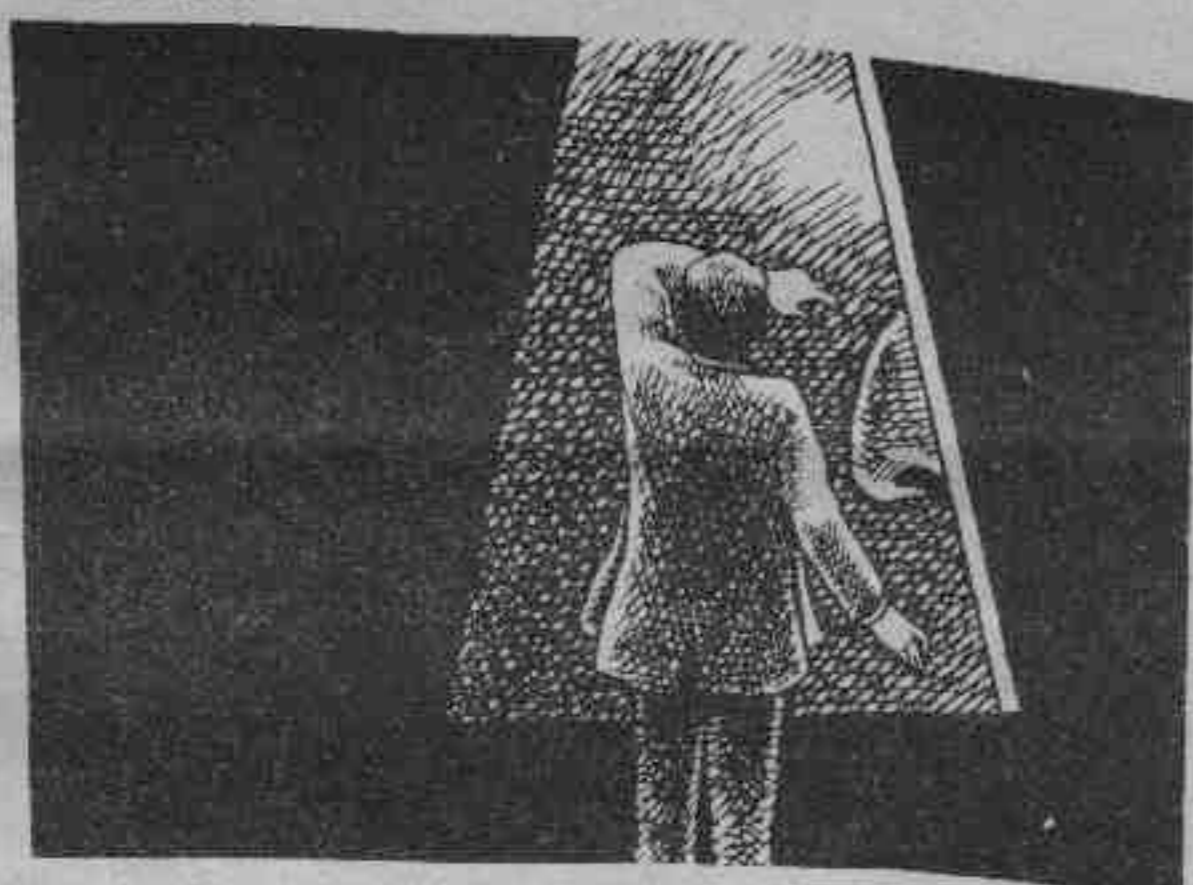
The purpose? Why to level the building and put in a parking lot for the posh restaurant Bill is planning to open on Market St.

Pretty good trade-off, wouldn't you say--a doctor's office for a parking lot!

### The "Bank of Los Angeles"

Most of us are forced to go to the bank, or other loan shark, when we need money to pay a debt. But not low income housing entrepreneur Tom Safran...he of many friends in high places.

Tom needed some change to tide him over for a few months so he headed right for the biggest funding source in the area...the City of Los Angeles. And of course the City obliged. L.A. loaned Mr. Safran \$800,000 at 7% interest, less than half the normal bank rate, for a few months so his proposal for a building on Ocean Front Walk & Navy St. could continue to breathe without the banks stepping in. Yes indeed, economic democracy in action.



Bring back the ERA

Ho, hum. Another dull, boring news item about how women are getting financially screwed in the workplace.

I read it a couple of times and couldn't quite deal with the way the statistics were presented. But the drift was clear. Men make even more now than women, in comparable jobs, than they did 10 years ago!

NO VIRGINIA, THERE IS NO SANTA CLAUS. There isn't even a close second.  
"There aughta be a law..."

### A map as a political statement (Geography I)

Over here, to my right (or possibly left, depending where/how they paste this damned thing up) are two maps of the world. Now of course they're not real maps of the world because we all know that it's not flat, but be generous.

The top map looks real weird to my tired old eyes. It looks all droopy, with the continents sort of falling off the top of the map.

The bottom map, man, that's what the world looks like! Right?

Wrong. The bottom map, drawn to conform to a western European concept of the world which shows, for instance, Europe as large as South America though it is actually half the land area. This familiar map, is named the Mercator.

The Peters map, "The Challenger", provides a far truer picture of the relative sizes of the continents. So that the Soviet Union is seen actually to be only 3/4 of Africa's size rather than appearing larger as in the Mercator map.

Now just what sort of superiority complex do ya think a "big guy" gets thinking he's always bigger than "them?"

### Did you know that....

There are 5 million chemical substances known to science? A high-powered research group has stated that some 65,725 of these have a potential for human exposure and have been inadequately studied for potential toxic effects.

Scariest still is the fact that there exists NO information at all concerning the toxicity of 38% of pesticides or 25% of the drugs we use.

### Or that.....

There are more than 75,000, yes thousand, boatowners in L.A. County? With 2 or 3 people in a family as well as friends & neighbors who might borrow the boat, there may be more than 200,000 people in L.A. County involved with boats.

Recreational boatowners have been

politically organized, in terms of a presence in the halls of government. No wonder they protect Marina del Rey and support the Summa proposal for a new marina.

### New Look for an Old Friend?

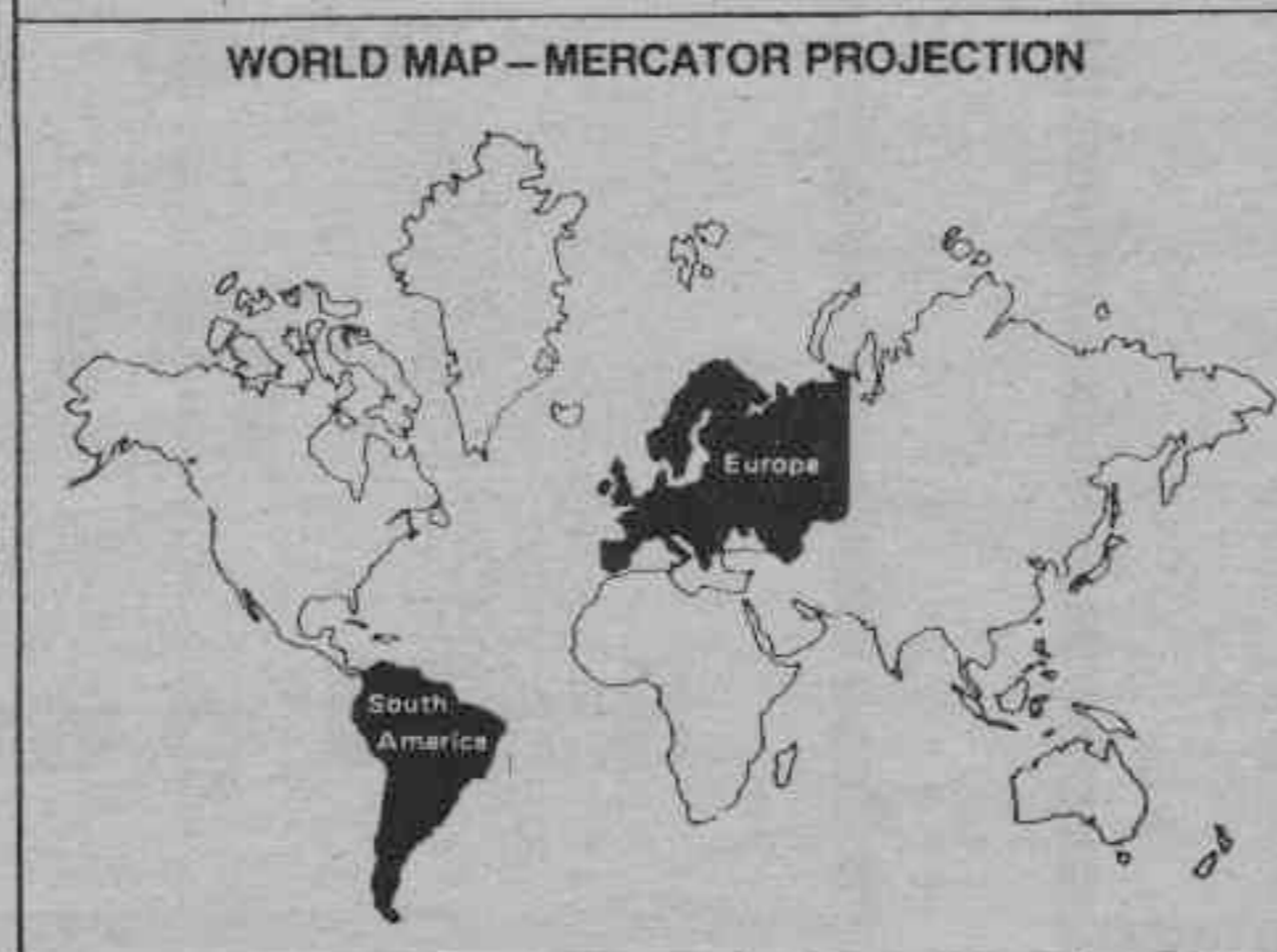
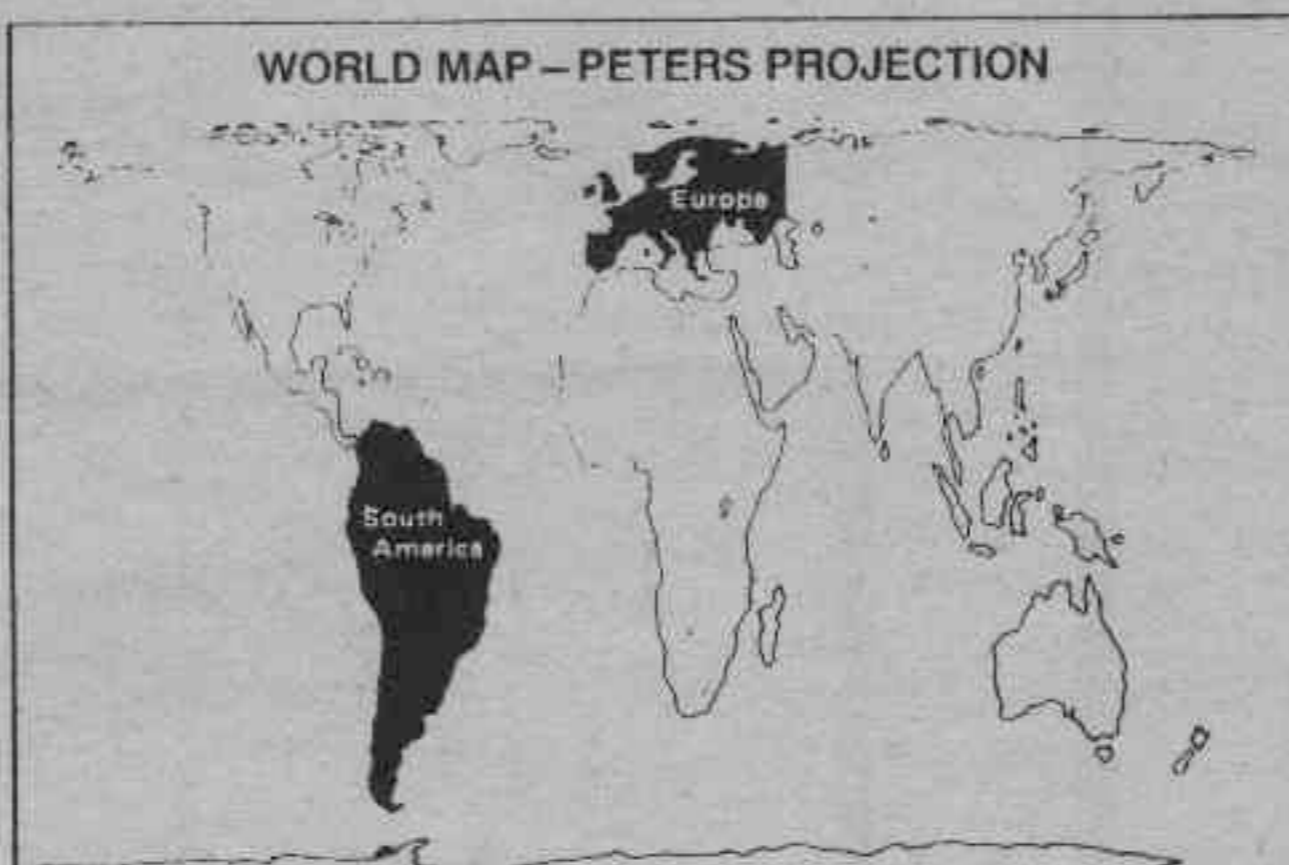
The star of "I'm Running as Fast as I Can" has a brand-new spiffy look, and lots of publicity to go with it.

Complete with a direct mailing program and a new slogan - "the one you know best-the best one to know" - Valium tablets are about to become the new glamour pill.

But its the look that kills. Each tab has a hole in the middle! The hole is shaped like a V, but it still looks just like a hole to me. Kind of like those heart shaped sugar candies with heart shaped holes in them that were around when I was a kid.

Alas, it appears that the 17 year patent on Valium is coming to an end which means we can expect some generic forms of this very popular drug.

Oh well, anything to make a buck or protect an investment. ■



### Venice Resident Vs. L.A.O.O.C.

## Lord of the Rings

The metal art sculpture, "Roofin", by artist Charlie Nothing of Freedom California sits atop the Front Porch Gallery on West Washington Blvd in Venice.

John Curtis of Venice, operator of the Front Porch, says that this project was intended as a commemorative to Los Angeles, the forthcoming Olympics, and the Venice community. Curtis, representing the artist and the Gallery, recently offered to sell the piece outright to the Olympic Committee for an asking price of \$520,000. He simultaneously requested official Los Angeles Olympic Committee sanction to produce license, and market miniature replicas of the piece. The LAOOC declined either to purchase the piece or to sanction Curtis' plan to market his project.

But then, according to Curtis (he is also the chief spokesperson for Beyond Omega I.N.C., "a non profit association of Creative Spirits") the LAOOC went even further, demanding that Curtis remove the five linked circles prominent in the sculptures center, because, said LAOOC, they represented a copywrited Olympic symbol.

The Olympic Committee, it said, had full and exclusive rights to this symbol and would not agree to allow Curtis and Beyond Omega to use it either in sale or promotion of such an item.

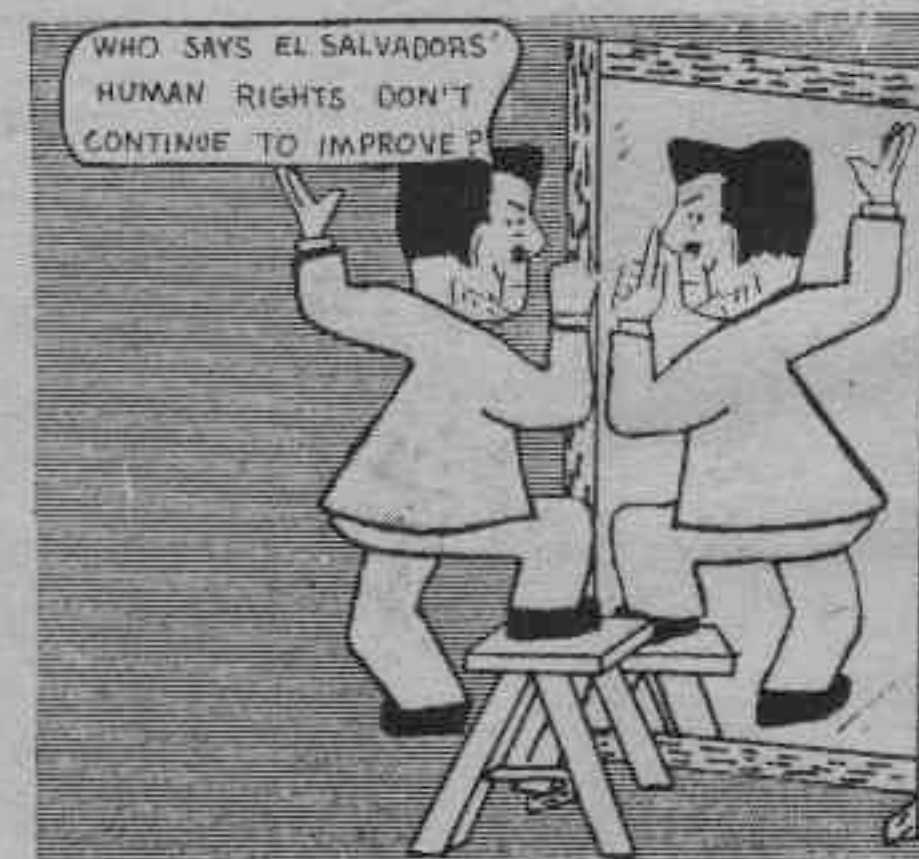
Curtis, who is active in the West Washington Blvd Merchants Association, doesn't feel very happy about this demand. He has filed suit in Superior Court, Santa Monica, requesting relief in the form of an injunction against LAOOC and Peter Ueberroth, the Committee's President, allowing Curtis to market his Roofin sculpture piece. ●

Arnold Springer

## Mocha Clowns

by Agnes Moorhead

A spectre is haunting Venice. Not Phil Spector. The spectre of Mocha. Expecters of next-big-things may rejoice. Surrealists and stuffed animals take heart. The influx of clownism can no more be rolled back than the sidewalks of New York. But we were speaking of Venice. (Ah...those candlelight suppers with the skating dogs...) Last seen beneath the Banjo, our intrepid heroes have been honoring their Muffled Baritone Attack to a fine thud. Yet the brake-drums of the Professor can be heard chiming as far away as Kuala Lumpur (Rose & Lincoln). What can a poor boy do? What more can a nation of taffeta-clad civil servants possibly desire? Where is Jhim? ◀





# Exactly Clear

## Home, Home on the Mall

## Pandomonium

BY CAROL FREDNILLER

Alice Cramden

The day was warm and overcast, muggy in March. I wandered around aimlessly--I had one hour for lunch, my life routinely scheduled around the proverbial nine to five existence of most Americans. I had lunch at the new mall (which is not that new, but distinguishes it from the old mall) at a place called Wok-In. I had the combination plate; eggroll, broccoli and pineapple pork. My thoughts ran in lackadaisical tangents--I had a good life; a secure job; a nice house; the financial liberty to eat out occasionally and go to a movie from time to time. Then what was amiss?

I avoided the question. I hurriedly finished lunch and walked back to the old mall, sat down on a bench and soaked up some of the sparse sunrays. Opposite me, asleep on the mall bench, was a woman in her fifties. Her feet were caked with dirt; her long gray hair in unkempt tangles. She slept soundly, oblivious to the buying and selling happening around her. It looked like her routine was wandering the streets by night and sleeping wherever she could by day. I thought about the elections and if she knew or cared about politics--I thought, probably she didn't--most of her time, more than likely, was spent finding food, shelter and some sort of escape, whether through alcohol or craziness.

I walked away from her, she was a reminder of something...I don't know... something unspeakable.

I walked into Woolworths and suddenly feeling very flippant, I bought a few tubes of Bazooka Bubble Gum...imagine that--bubble gum in a tube--what next? American ingenuity at its best! I would take the bubble tubes back to work and have some fun and try to forget. Forget what?

Forget? Forget?...Careful--don't ask too many questions (i.e., questions without answers) The status quo tells me to have faith in yesteryear (its always been done this way.)

I walk back to work--I see the street lady asking for money--I take a detour.

Once at work, I feel good and secure again; we have a few laughs about bubble gum in a tube. I look up the word STATUS QUO in Roget's Thesaurus and come across STATUS QUO ANTE BELLUM (calm before the storm) hmm...calm before the storm. I think about the growing tensions in the world; what I read in the papers; what I see on television--this is the status quo--the existing state of affairs--but should I believe the media, after all the media itself, self-critically questions its own authority and wonders if I, the public should believe in them...hmm... I need time to think...think about what? What to believe in. I tell myself not to be silly and naive. But...

that is my freedom, isn't it...the thoughts of my own mind are still free, aren't they? Then why am I afraid to think...to believe in something...

The snake has surely reared its ugly head when I don't know what to believe in, when confusion is so rampant that its an epidemic that is unrealized because that is its very nature--unrealization--unawareness. Confusion slithering in among us with a force of its own, waiting for us to destroy ourselves--Man against Man...

Yes, I think I will think. I will think about patriotism, the Bill of Rights, and the Declaration of Independence. I will think about communism and its many factions and ideologies. I will think about the politicians of these times. I say "these time" because tomorrow, they will be obsolete, along with the other ideologies, philosophies and religions of yesteryear...yes, tomorrow, Annie the sun will come out, but we may not be here to enjoy it, thanks to your Daddy Warbucks.

I will think about the "Evil Empire," and what happens when Hollywood goes to the White House and becomes a facade on the borders of Central America. The Star War Saga continues and yes, folks the force is with us, but we must remember that even Darth Vader had a humane side and was only under the evil influence of a much mightier force. And I'm afraid that force is something we are going to have to deal with in our own lives as the headlines continue... "Fears of War," Terrorism grip Persian Gulf States,"... "Election Tensions Mount in Salvador," etc. etc.

Thinking is cheap...and what I really would like to say about some things would be the insane utterings and imaginings of a paranoid soul. I don't have the courage to be crazy...and well anyway...the clock strikes five...time to go home...the workday ends...my other life begins...

I see the street lady as I wait for the bus...she talks to other street people, no doubt, evaluating the ordeals of the coming night. I fantasize about taking her home with me...giving her something to eat; letting her take a bath; giving her clean clothes--then I envision her grabbing a kitchen knife and bludgeoning me to death...I decide she must be one of those looney birds who was released from a mental institution. Satisfied with my acute judgement of her character, I get on the bus...the bus pulls away from the curb and takes me away from any responsibility. O

Talk about corruption and decadence: Can you imagine watching two pandas making it?

After twelve years of courtship, the two pandas in the Washington, D.C. zoo, Ling Ling and Hsing Hsing, mated twice in the same day. Debra Kleinman, the zoo's Assistant Director was "very happy". Is this considered Panda-ring to prurient interests?

So far, this year has been a bummer for me in the prophecy department--I was practically salivating in anticipation of Winter rains to wash away more of those quarter-million dollar houses on the cliffs of Malibu. The rains never came.

Some consolation, however--the houses have been slipping and sliding without benefit of rain, and the residents are suing Los Angeles County, the State of California and the State Coastal Commission for millions of dollars for allowing them to build there. According to the Evening Outlook (3/22/84) Malibu residents were warned more than twenty years ago that they were building on potential landslide areas in the Big Rock Mesa area.

In the 1950's, residents were served by the Malibu Water Company, which pumped groundwater out of the area into homes.

Later, the Malibu Mutual Drainage Company was created for assessing homeowners for electrical charges for pumping out water. It cost the homeowners too much, they said, and the pumps fell into disrepair.

Wonder how much the penny-pinching of the Malibu residents will cost us lowly flatlanders in Court costs and damages?

A friend of mine is planning to escape the hurly-burly of the influx of Olympic tourists that are converging on Los Angeles by taking a trip to the quaint countryside of Nicaragua this Summer.



Speaking of the Olympics and what Los Angeles resident isn't, the Santa Monica-Malibu Schoolboard gave tentative okay to plans to allow promoter Tony Capretta to seek permission and permits to erect a "tent city" for 2,500 Olympic visitors on the Santa Monica High School campus.

Capretta also plans a three-day "Los Angeles Summerfest".

Supposedly, the School Board will receive \$30,000 for the rental.

No mention of how many tranquilizers the neighbors will receive.

That exploiter of the women's movement and slanderer of Venice, that "60 Minutes" gal, Sara Davidson, real estate broker,

roller skater and receiver of lousy lays has written a novel in which she describes Venice as a barren desert and rhapsodizes over Bedouin women who "are subservient, yes but...born into nature...they seem to attain a cheerfulness, fulfillment and courage". No, I didn't read the book, wouldn't spend my Loose Change on that broad. □



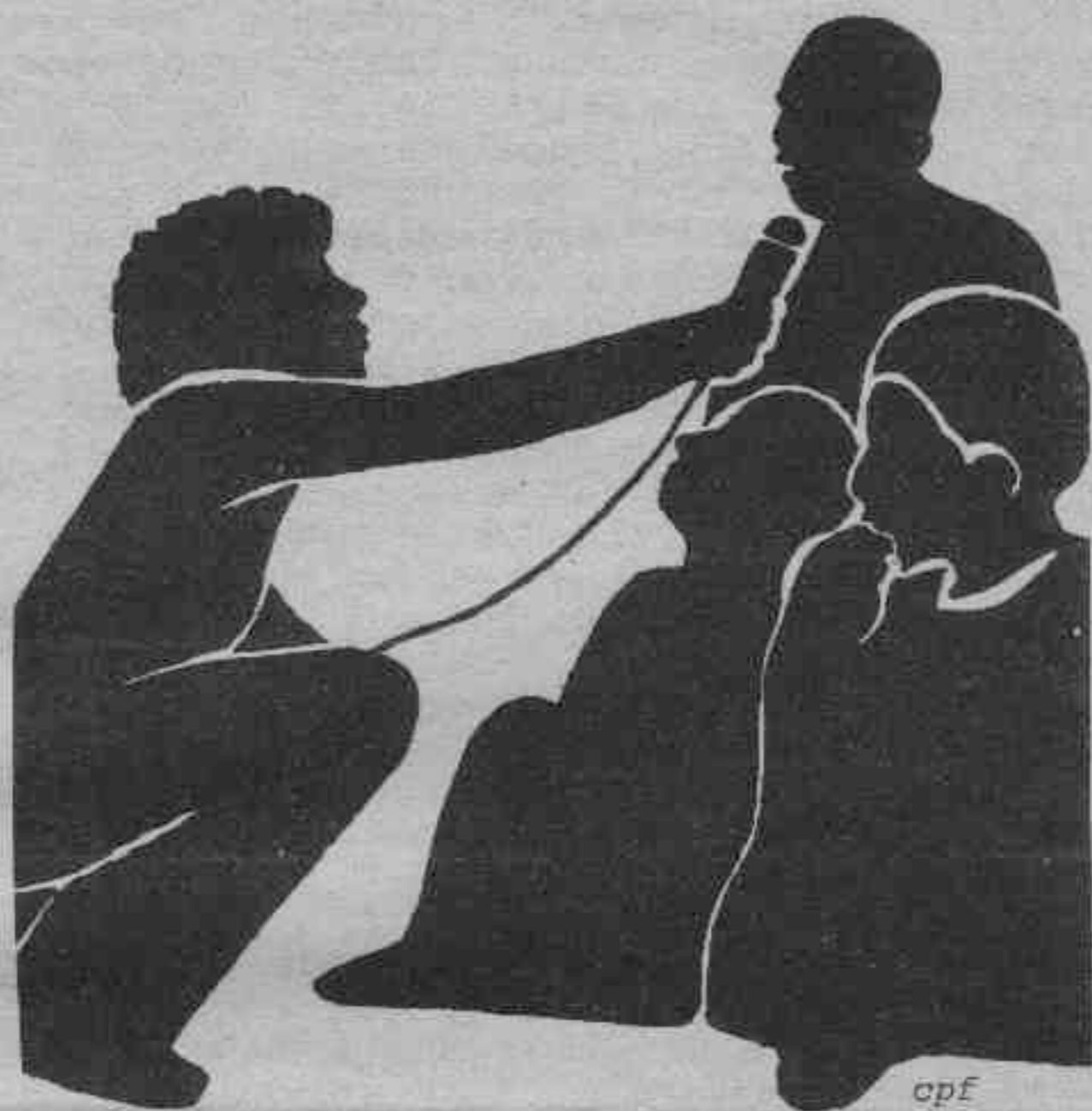


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## 35th Anniversary

On the organization's 35th anniversary the Board of Directors of the Pacifica Foundation celebrate three and a half decades of listener sponsored free speech radio. Chair of the board Jack O'Dell said "Pacifica must contribute to the change from liberalism to advanced democracy."

On April 15, 1949, Pacifica's flagship station, KPFA in Berkeley, went on-air as the world's first listener sponsored radio station. Now in 1984, Pacifica stations serve 5 of the country's largest markets. Pacifica has established a Washington-based news bureau. The Pacifica Program Service distributes thousands of tapes to stations, schools and libraries, and the Pacifica Tape Archive, containing 20,000 programs, serves as a repository for the history of non-commercial broadcasting in the U.S. ■

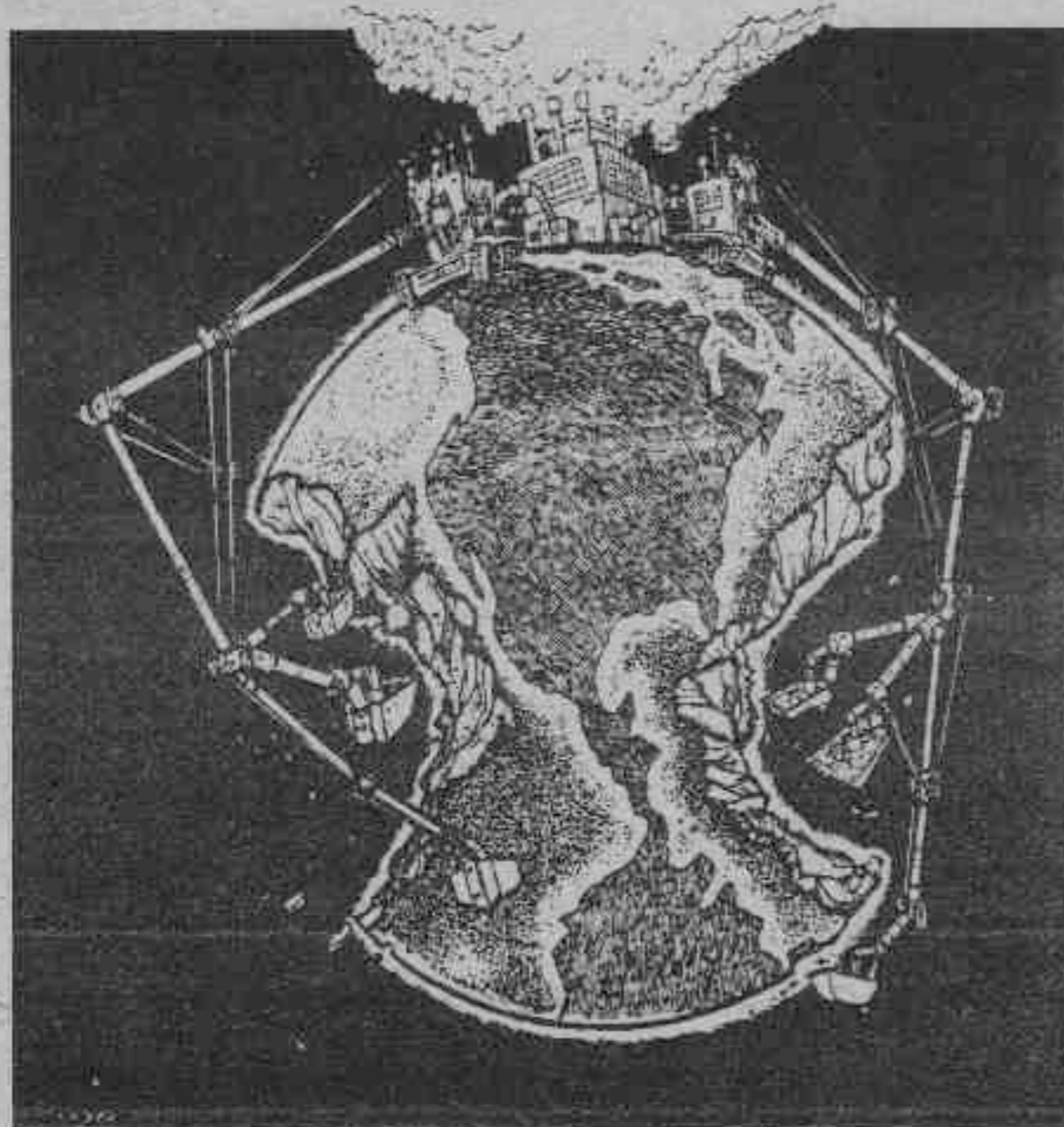


## Salt of the Earth

The U.S. Bureau of Land Management denied a request March 16, 1984 from Kerr-McGee (Karen Silkwood's former employer) for a reduction in the royalty rate currently being paid to the Federal Government on potassium products being produced from the Federal mineral estate at Kerr McGEE's Searles Lake Argus plant at Trona, California.

The depressed price of soda ash was Kerr McGee's reason for requesting the royalty reduction "below the statutory minimum, to a royalty rate that would provide the company a zero profit before taxes."

Kerr-McGee presently holds 5 potassium leases on about 8,000 acres of Federal mineral estate at Searles Lake and is the major producer on the lake. Under the lease terms, royalties are paid on the gross value of the output of the leased deposits at the point of shipment to market. In 1982, Kerr-McGee paid \$6,597,023 in royalties to the U.S. Government. ▶



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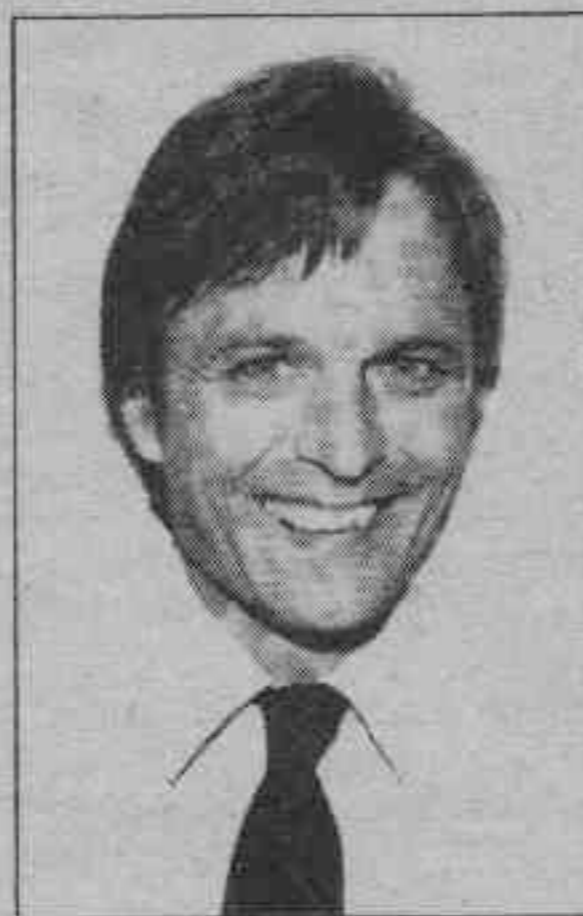
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# Independence for Puerto Rico <sup>9</sup>

## Persecution Continues

by Suzanne Mills

On Tuesday, April 10, 1984, five Puerto Rican and Mexicano political activists must report to U.S. federal prisons to begin serving three-year sentences.

THEY HAVE COMMITTED NO CRIME.

The five, and four others who will be sentenced in April, are being jailed for refusing to give information to a federal grand jury in New York targeting the Puerto Rican liberation movement. THIS IS POLITICAL INTERNMENT - JAILING PEOPLE BECAUSE OF THEIR POLITICS.

Since the 1930's, on the island and on the mainland, Puerto Rican patriots and their supporters have been refusing to testify before U.S. grand juries as a matter of principle. Also in April, two other independentistas from the island, Federico Cintron and Carlos Noya, and two North American supporters of Puerto Rican independence, Shelley Miller of the New Movement in Solidarity with Puerto Rican Independence and Socialism and Silvia Berardini of the May 19th Communist Organization, will be sentenced for "criminal contempt" of the same grand jury. Another North American, Pam Fadem of Austin, Texas, is facing trial on the same charge.

In the last month, the FBI has been visiting activists of the Salvadorean Sanctuary movement and CISPES in the midwest. These FBI and Grand Jury interrogations are an attempt by the U.S. government to clear the way for wider and more open war by intimidating those who oppose U.S. policy. We must protect our movements with a wall of silence by refusing to talk to the FBI or to collaborate with grand juries. THIS REPRESSION MUST BE RESISTED!

On Tuesday, April 10, the day the 5 report to prison, the New Movement in Solidarity with Puerto Rican Independence and Socialism is calling a support demonstration at 4 p.m. in front of the Westwood Federal Building, 11000 Wilshire at Veteran. WE CANNOT LET THESE PEOPLE BE SENT TO PRISON WITHOUT SHOWING OUT OPPOSITION. The time to resist is now! Come and join us in a public show of solidarity. For more info: New Movement (213) 392-8733. •

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# Rent Control

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Governor vows to end rent control (reads Los Angeles Times headline) and two bills have been introduced into the Cal. legislature to accomplish this express goal. The two bills are: in the Senate, SB 2285 by Seymour (R) and in the Assembly, AB 3808 by Costa (D). These bills, with identical language, would virtually eliminate local rent controls. The bills would set up permanent vacancy decontrol. Any new tenant after the date of the bill would have no ceiling on the rent charged. There are other dangerous changes as well. (Imagine the harrassment to get out tenants if this is passed.)

This is all part of our gov's housing package with the rent control component written by housing industry leaders!

Here are some contacts: write &/or call

	District Office	916 area
Assembly	1111 Fulton Mall	445/7558
Costa	Fresno 93721	
Chacon	1129 G St.	445/7890
	San Diego 92101	
Hauser	1334 5th St. G	445/8360
	Eureka 95501	
Davis	15300 Ventura Bld.	445/4956
	#401, Sherman Oaks	

On the local front the L.A. city council has adopted an ordinance that will require tenants in an eviction dispute to put the rent into an escrow account. No hearing at all will be required, for example, as to the merits of the landlord's or tenant's case.

(Former ?) rent control backer Councilperson Joel Wachs was quoted as saying, "I think it is a good law."

This will especially hit tenants who have maintenance problems with their landlords and have withheld rent as a result (something the Tenant Center never advises), but which people do out of frustration and rage. Also affected will be those behind in the rent who need a little time to get it together.

-Eileen Lipson

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The wastes that would be produced at Diablo Canyon include such long-lived and extremely toxic elements as plutonium, strontium, and cesium.

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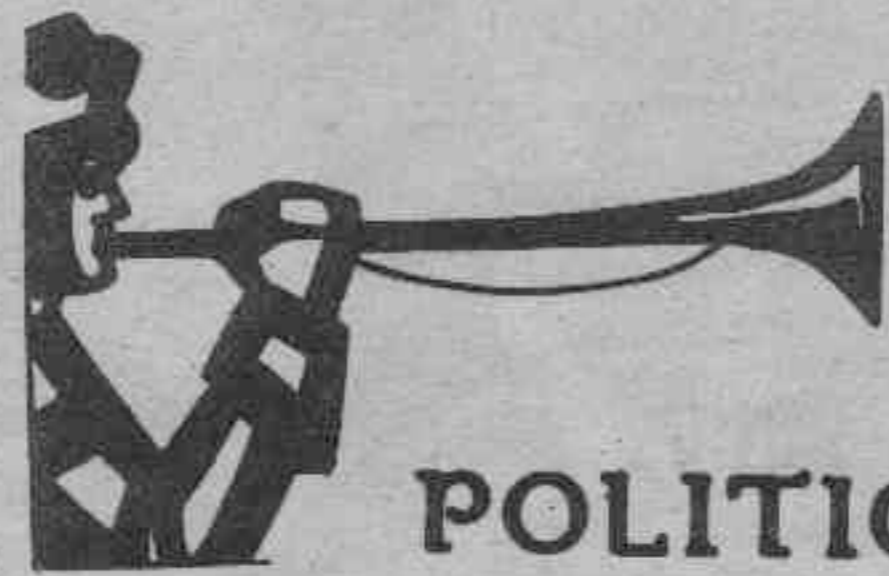
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# Community events



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BEYOND BAROQUE LITERARY/ARTS CENTER, at 681 N. Venice Bl, Venice, 822-3006 8pms

Sun. Apr. 1: Open poetry series continues you are invited to read your poetry, Free

Fri. Apr. 6: Poet, performer Lewis Mac-Adams will perform. Don. \$3

Sat. Apr. 6: Poets Katherine Harer, Lori Cohen, & Kita Shantiris will appear at a publication party and reading. Free

Sat. Apr. 14: EXHIBITION: "VISIONS OF PARADISE: 6 CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN FOLK ARTISTS" open thru June 2. The reception is at 8pm \$2.

## VISIONS OF PARADISE 6 CONTEMPORARY AMERICAN FOLK ARTISTS

A series of award-winning videotapes by Light/Saraf Films  
CALVIN & RUBY BLACK - POSSUM TROT  
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HARRY LIEBERMAN - FOLK PAINTINGS  
GRANDMA PRISBRY - BOTTLE VILLAGE  
CHIEF ROLLING MOUNTAIN THUNDER - THUNDER MOUNTAIN

Guest Curator: Amy E. Skillman  
OPENING NIGHT

April 14, 1984, 8 pm

Presentation by the filmmakers

Donation: \$2

Exhibition continues through June 2, 1984  
Tuesday-Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 9am-1pm

This exhibition is made possible in part by a grant from the Cultural Affairs Department, City of Los Angeles

Fri. Apr. 20: Writers Peter Levitt and Lynne Tillman will read from their work. Don \$3

SEEING RED, Stories of American Communists, nominated for an Academy Award as best feature documentary had its L.A. premier at the Fox International (nee Venice) on March 23rd.

It has begun an open showing at the Breatwood Theater, 2524 Wilshire Blvd., in Santa Monica. It's a fine, very human film.

## SOCIAL

SINGLETARIANS, 1721 Arizona, SM, Unitarian Community Church) 394-4318, 8pms. donation \$3/program, Sundays.

Apr. 1: "Probates & Estate Planning" by Leland Stark, Attorney.

Apr. 8: "The Experience of Suffering" by Penny Mertens.

Apr. 15: "Psychiatrists, Psychologists and the World Situation" by William Duff.

Apr. 22: "Long Term Relationships" by Karen Pines

Apr. 29: "Self-Hypnosis--Ins & Outs" by Cecile Vigo.

### SHIATSU DEMONSTRATION

Sunday, April 8, 10 am- 1 pm. Tsuneo Kaneko will demonstrate techniques of Shiatsu (a form of acupressure) and present a brief talk on its theory and relative applications. at TAO HEALING ARTS CTR., 2309 Main St., Ocean Park. Donation. For further info. call 396-2130

Rich Mann wants to mention that the Dying Bred of Boardwalks awaits to be captured as Venice was in 1977. Camera in hand, his first stop is Coney Island & Brighton then New Jersey's Atlantic City. The east is calling, the work is the answer. Rich will be back, negatives palpitating to be developed, sometime in August. byc

## WOMEN

SKILLS OFFERED TO PREVENT VIOLENT RELATIONSHIPS, 392-9874 (Sue Dell)  
On Sat., Apr. 28th, the So. California Coalition on Battered Women will present a conference to focus on domestic violence, prevention techniques, and a curriculum designed for high school classrooms. \$25, call for more information.

COMMITTEE IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEOPLE OF EL SALVADOR (CISPES) 396-6557

General Meetings: Sat. Apr. 14 10am and Wed. Apr. 25, 7:30pm at the Church in Ocean Park, 235 Hill St. S.M.

Sat. Apr 7: Help gather signatures for Jobs With Peace Initiative (petitions with 20,000+ signatures were stolen recently), meet 10:30am at Beyond Baroque 681 Venice Bl., Venice

DEMONSTRATION on the day of the Jailing of 5 Puerto Rican & Mexican Grand Jury Registers. Tues. Apr. 10, 4PM, Federal Bldg., 11000 Wilshire & Veteran. For info call New Movement, 392-8733.

ROY BROWN, Puerto Rican political folk-singer and fonder of "La Nueva Cancion" in concert. Fri. Apr. 13th, 8:30PM at the International Institute, 435 Boyle, Boyle Hts, LA. For info and tickets 392-8733

NOW IS THE TIME to bring Democrats together in the Mar Vista, Venice and Marina del Rey area. Join the formation of an area-wide Democratic Club, Chase Park, Marina del Rey, Friday, Apr. 6, 7:30pm.

Dump Reagan Coalition  
Thurs. April 12, 7:30pm at Virginia Park in Santa Monica, 396-9033.

This newly formed group is planning a "Dump Reagan Rally" and encourages the participation of all who share that sentiment in planning the event. In the 1980 election only 52% of eligible voters went to the polls and only 27% voted for Reagan. He can be beaten if enough of us vote.

THE PALESTINE ARAB FUND is sponsoring a day-long Teach-in on the new realities of the Palestinian-Lebanese and Arab struggle. Sat., Apr. 7, L.A. Hilton, 567-3900 or 567-5648.

# EARTH DAY '84

Sunday, April 22, 1984

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FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH, 2936 W. 8th St., L.A. 389-1356, Sundays at 11am

Apr. 1: "The Kissinger Report" is the subject for Rev. John Marsh

Apr. 8: "Who Wants to Save the World?" Frances Fritchman

Apr. 15: "The Bible As Liberation Literature" Suzanne Spencer

Apr. 22: "The Politics of Resurrection" Rev John Marsh, Rev Hyun Hwan Kim & Suzanne Spencer

Apr. 29: "Francis of Assisi-Still Crazy After All These Years" Rev John Marsh

ATHEISTS UNITED: Advocates reason, scientific investigation, enlightenment not mythical or superstitious beliefs. For free newsletter call 254-4914.

CHURCH IN OCEAN PARK, 235 Hill St. Santa Monica, 399-1631, Sundays at 10am

April 1 -- A BAG OF FOOLS...A special morning to celebrate "April Fools Day" and the traditional "Feast of Fools"

POTLUCK LUNCH FOLLOWING THE SUNDAY MORNING (bring food or drinks to share)

April 8 -- DENIAL: The Walls We Build...with Jim Conn; plus CHILDREN'S PERFORMANCE directed by Darrel Larson and Luke Johnson and featuring children in the Church

April 15 -- L.A. WOMEN'S CHORUS...the 80-voice chorus that will knock you out

April 22 -- EASTER SUNDAY featuring Harpist Lou Anne Neill of the L.A. Philharmonic; and DREAMS AGAINST THE STATUS QUO, words by Jim Conn

April 29 -- HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY, featuring a contemporary liturgy from the Jewish tradition, A CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY

9 a.m. MEDITATION and EUCHARIST  
CHILD CARE provided by Julie Yannatta  
MUSIC by Elinor Graham and Friends  
READINGS by Members of the Community

## Environmental

OCEANIC SOCIETY, LOS ANGELES, 6241 Nita Ave, Woodland Hills, 91367, 340-0094

Tue. Apr. 17: Offshore Oil Platform tour in Carpinteria. Bus, boat & lunch courtesy of Chevron USA, Adults only, \$3  
Wed. Apr. 25: "Sharks" a Jacques Cousteau film and "The Great Whales" shown free at Chase Park, Marina del Rey, 7:30pm  
Sat. Apr. 28: Malibu Lagoon Workshop, meet at lagoon parking lot off PCH, Free, 347-0767

SIERRA CLUB Airport/Marina Group will hold a general meeting free and open to the public Monday, Apr. 9th, 7:30pm at Chase Park, Marina del Rey. Joanne Fleisher of Friends of the River will talk about protecting the Toulumne River. 822-7102.

THURSDAY NIGHT GROUP, 2210 Wilshire Bl. Santa Monica, 395-4123.

Thurs. Apr 19: A VERY SPECIAL EVENT, Alexander Artem Sakharov and John Hutchinson will focus on "NATIONAL SECURITY, HOW CAN WE AFFECT SOVIET POLICY?" 7:45pm at 1220 2nd St. in the upstairs lounge of the First Presbyterian Church SM.

MONEY & MOTHER NATURE, a conference on the state of the Southern California Environment, Sat. Apr. 28th, 9am-6pm, Culver City Auditorium, Overland & Culver. Presented by California League of Conservation Voters and Planning and Conservation League. Subjects range from "Protection of Natural Places" to "Costs of Environmental Regulation" and involve a wide variety of speakers. \$12.00 (includes lunch). Send checks to CLCV, 12217 Santa Monica Bl, L.A. 90025 (checks payable to PCL). 472-2824, 270-4151

CITIZENS FOR A NUCLEAR FREE SANTA MONICA, 2434 5th St, SM 392-8715

Tue & Wed, Apr. 17 & 18: Circe & Bravo, a peace play by Donald Freed will benefit this organization working to place a nuke free initiative on the ballot in SM. The tickets are \$50/patron, \$25/individual, \$40/couple. Make reservations now.

DEADLY CONNECTION CONFERENCE (nuclear weapons, intervention & nuclear power). Keynote speakers & workshops. Details to be announced. Alliance for Survival, 388-1824.



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