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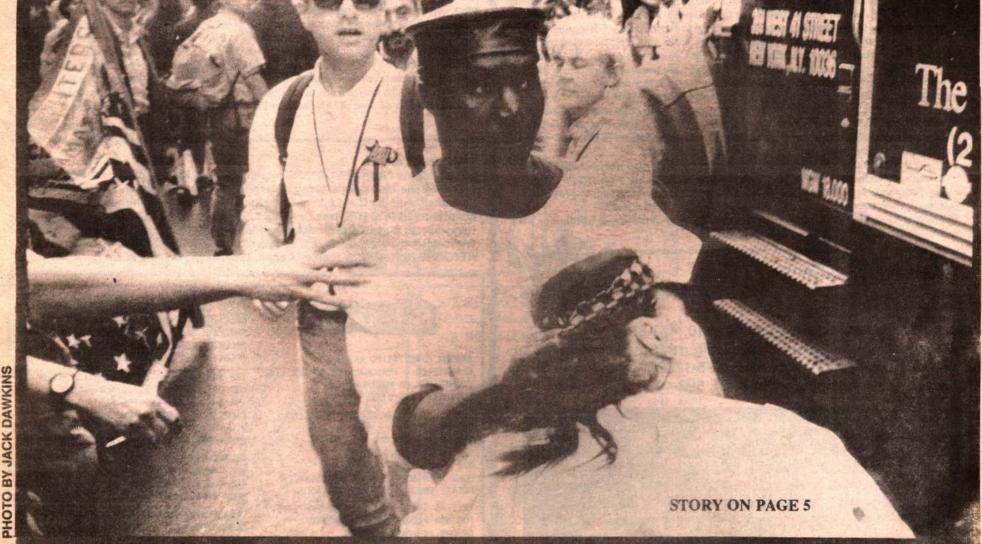
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OR: "ANTONIO PAGAN FOR CITY COUNCIL ?!?!?"

"WHATEVER HAPPENS
WEDNESDAY, I WOULDN'T HAVE
MY HANDS ON A CAMERA-THERE'S A LOT OF NEW
ROOKIES OUT THERE WAITING
TO TEST THEIR EQUIPMENT"-(Plainclothes cop warning SHADOW
editor about upcoming May Day
Concert in Tompkins Square Park-April 26, 1991)

They're at it again!! The same right wing minority malcontent assholes that brought us fascist anti-poor and homeless groups like "BASTA" ("Before Another Shelter Tears us Apart"), and the "Tompkins Square Park Neighborhood Coalition" (TSPNC), both of which are seeking the removal of homeless and a curfew in the park so that real estate values can increase and gentrification can continue, have now brought us the "Democratic Action Club" ("DAC").

When a group of mostly middle class small-time politicians, real estate speculators and their friends with an eye on getting rich on the collection of Lower East Side properties and on gaining political power desire to be more influential, more effective in achieving their goals, they band together and proclaim themselves a political <u>club</u>.

Led by front man Howard Hemsley, co-founder of BASTA, and appointed to Community Board 3 (CB3) by David Dinkins, the Democratic Action Club's membership includes several right wing slime who have been exposed on the pages of the SHADOW. They include: Antonio Pagan, founder of BASTA and TSPNC, heads Coalition for Housing Development which seeks takeover of squatter buildings on East 13th Street, appointed by David Dinkins to CB3, would-be candidate for city councilman trying to split district, leading effort to destroy neighborhood garden on East 9th St.+ Avenue C known as "La Plaza Cultural" to be replaced with alleged adult home tied to the D'Amato/HUD Scandal (See SHADOW #8, #10, #11, #12, #13, #14); Elizabeth Acevedo, TSPNC member who joined a letter writing campaign to several newspapers to claim that Tompkins Square Park is full of "fornicators" and drug users (See SHADOW #14); Susan LeeLike, TSPNC member, Pagan crony and CB3 groupie, found guilty of fraud in unemployment insurance scam (See SHADOW #16); Krystyna PiorKOWska, landlord appointed to CB3 by City Council President Andrew Stein, seeks to get All Craft Center (for drug abuse counseling) evicted by the city in order for her people to create luxury condos for the wealthy (See various SHADOWS, including #10); Samuel Turvey, TSPNC co-founder, yuppie developer, now living in luxury co-op apartment in former low-income building, made possible by approximately \$100,000 profit from sale of condo apartment in low-income building acquired by developer for \$10.00, seeks closing of dog run in the park (See SHADOW #9, #12, #15); Steven Vincent, TSPNC member, editor of "Lower East Side News", pathetic "writer" of poison pen articles against area activists, DAC poster boy (See SHADOW #10). It's been said that "You can't keep a good crook down"!!

The DAC has been spreading their bullshit through a small ad in Newsday, a full page in Vincent's newspaper, and by postering leaflets on walls around the neighborhood, which Steven Vincent, along with PiorKOWska, has admitted to doing, extolling others to join them at 5:00AM, explaining "It appeals to the youth in you"!! The DAC has met twice so far, at the Ukranian Club at 122 Second Avenue, home to PiorKOWska's crew. So far, they are only attracting a handful of like-minded morons, who believe that the best way to deal with the complicated problems of homelessness and lack of affordable housing is to remove the homeless from their sight, from the park and streets, and turn over city-owned buildings to their "housing" groups that will create "market rate" housing, making the DAC founders filthy rich at the expense of taxpayers.

The DAC is actually an extension of two groups already set up by the same people, the TSPNC, and the Puerto Rican/ Hispanic Political Council, which was put together by Pagan, fellow CB3 member Roberto Caballero and gang leader Roberto Napoleon, among others. This group has the same goals as the others, but has been created as a vehicle to push for the creation of a "Hispanic" district within the CB3 district when the redrawn city council districts are selected by the Districting Commission. The DAC is an apparatus for the political backing of Antonio Pagan as its candidate to represent the "Hispanic" district they want to create and control. Those who don't know better shouldn't be fooled by their ethnic labels. True, the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Political Council was created by Hispanics, but the only Hispanics they seek to represent and benefit are themselves and their friends.

What low-income Hispanic person could trust the DAC when a tainted real estate owner stands up at their meeting and says "we're always hearing about low income and working class housing - what about us?", followed by demands to build more housing for the middle class! What's a person who knows the story of Daniel Rakowitz supposed to make of a statement like "Those anarchists... they put their girlfriends in blenders and then call them up in the middle of the night for who knows what!"

Pagan, PiorKOWska and Company are the same gentrifiers who went behind the back of the community to impose a midnight curfew in Tompkins Square Park. When the infamous Tompkins Square Park Riot resulted from the pigs' overreacting to protests against the curfew, they were the only voices supporting the pigs' actions.

Pagan has no credibility with other Hispanic groups, due to his strong affiliations with upscale white landowners. Who is he trying to kid?

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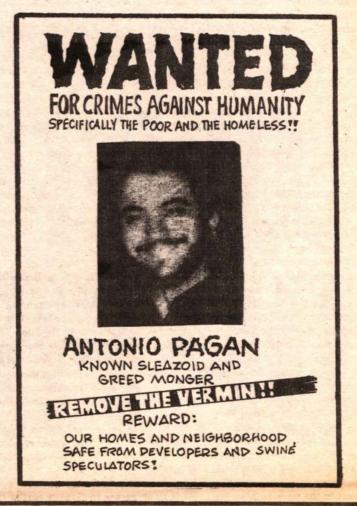
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A people living under the perpetual menace of war and invasion is very easy to govern. It demands no social reforms. It does not haggle over expenditures on armaments and military equipment. It pays without discussion, it ruins itself, and that is an excellent thing for the syndicates of financiers and manufacturers for whom patriotic terrors are an abundant source of gain.

-- Anatole France

Join Lower East Side residents in a "Bring back the Lower East Side" Rally (to use one of DAC's slogans) at noon on Tuesday May 7th at City Hall. Let the city know we are a neighborhood, not a "museum of poverty"!!



PIGS APPLY PRESSURE IN THE PARK!!

In the past few weeks, since the hiring of 2100 additional cops by the city, Tompkins Square Park has been the scene of a massive police presence--vans, cars, foot patrols, and most recently, mounted police and even a kleig light truck and a communications vehicle. The plainclothes cops from the "Anti-Crime Squad" have also begun hanging around, harrassing activists and making fun of the homeless in the park.

So, what justifies this overkill deployment of troops? Captain Richard Seta of the 9th precinct says they do this every year around this time, but when pressed, he admits that it's because of the upcoming anniversary of last year's May Day Pig Riot, which erupted when cops stormed the stage at the close of a four day concert series in the park. He adds that he and his men have been assigned to address "quality of life" crimes in the area.

But, there are many underlying factors here. Right wing gentrifiers and slime from Community Board 3, such as Krystyna PiorKOWska and Antonio Pagan with his Tompkins Square Park Neighborhood Coalition, have stepped up their campaign to get the park curfewed or completely closed this summer. They've set up letter writing campaigns to newspapers, the mayor's office, local politicians and police precincts, with Pagan even appearing on an episode of "9 Broadcast Plaza" on channel 9 to further his lies about the

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park. These same people have generated two new groups, the Democratic Action Club and the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Political Council to use the issue of homelessness in the park to get their boy Pagan elected to the city council. These people are also allied with frustrated would-be yuppie Kate Walter's St. Mark's 2-3 Block Association, which also seeks to clear the park and streets of the poor and homeless, employing the same tactics as the other groups.

On top of this, the Parks Dep't is in a precarious position since they failed to sweep the homeless from the park in March, as they planned to do earlier. Now that the weather is warmer, the city and police fear the resulting expression of outrage if they move on the homeless now. The fact is that the <u>majority</u> of the people in the neighborhood, which includes the activists, support the homeless and their decision to live in the park rather than the city's life threatening shelter system. After being pushed from the subways and bus terminals by transit cops, city parks have become the only option left for them.

Aware of the willingness of people to fight the police to support the homeless, the cops have resorted to the old tried and true method of "divide and conquer", setting groups of homeless against groups of young people hanging out in the park. In the past few weeks, these kids have been fighting with cops over fire barrels used on cold nights, and this has pissed off the cops. By threatening the less politically aware homeless encampments with eviction from the park if they don't "do something about the activists", and by holding secret meetings with some encampments, (including one set up by former 9th precinct commander Michael Julian!!), cops have been trying to increase tension in the park in the hope that both sides will fight and there will be no support for the homeless when the cops come to sweep them out of the park.

This strategy almost worked one night at 2:00 in the morning, when a large fight almost broke out between some park residents and young people near the St. Marx entrance to the park. Before it went any further, cool heads from both sides prevailed and chilled everyone out. Suddenly, plainclothes cops swooped down, seeming to come from nowhere, but unfortunately for them, there were no arrests to be made.

This ploy on the pigs' part seems to be working only on the homeless that don't know the history of the struggles in the park since the August 1988 Pig Riot. There are those in the park who do know better, and they have been trying to make everyone understand what is really going on. There are some legitimate gripes against the young people hanging out in the park, however. Sometimes they are loud and play radios as the park residents try to sleep, and they often leave a large mess when they leave the park. A lot of activists have been explaining to the kids what is at stake in the park and have been cleaning up after them in addition to getting them to pick up after themselves.

So far, everything is still peaceful in the park, but the pigs seem to be repeating their steps which led to the 1988 riot—an overblown show of force, pushing people from the park, parking riot vehicles in the park, cops on horseback trotting around, shining kleig lights on people, harrassing people, etc.

At this point, it remains to be seen if the cops create an incident during the May Day Concert in the park on May 1st, using it as an excuse to close or curfew the park, just as their string-pullers are demanding. Maybe the top cops will use their heads this time and stay the fuck away!! We doubt it!!

REMEMBER THIS SIMPLE EQUATION: NO PIGS=NO RIOT!!





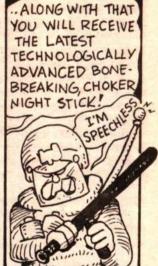
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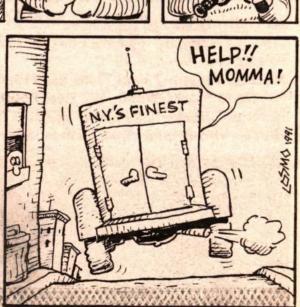
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LAST BUT NOT LEAST, AN AUTHENTIC COPY OF OUR FAMOUS "ELEANOR BUMPERS STYLE" 12 GAUGE SHOT GUN!! GEE, SIR... WOW! THIS GOTTA BE SOME AWESOME MISSION!! WHATS OUR OBJECTIVE, CAPT!





ASSEMBLYMAN STEVEN SANDERS REQUESTS PARK CURFEW!!

At the April 23rd Community Board 3 (CB3) meeting, Liz Rubin, representing New York State Assemblyman Steven Sanders, read a letter to the board from Sanders that was addressed to Mayor David Dinkins, requesting the enactment of a midnight curfew in Tompkins Square Park.

Claiming that "the park has become a focal point for, and the center of late night revelry for almost every imaginable social and political group", and that "the park has been the site of numerous illegal activities primarily relating to the trafficking and use of illegal substances", Sanders is requesting that the park be curfewed at midnight, starting before the Memorial Day weekend.

Sanders says in his letter that he is aware this will "result in the dislocation of a number of homeless persons who have used the park as an 'open air' shelter', but he covers this with false sympathy for the homeless and adds "in any event, a park bench is a poor substitute for legitimate city services". He then declares that the city should relocate the homeless of the park "to safe shelter". Obviously, this out-of-touch asshole doesn't realize that if the city's shelters were safe, the homeless would not have chosen to live in the park all winter instead!

Finally, Sanders ends his letter by blaming "the dangerous turmoil which has occurred in the area" on "hundreds of individuals, most of whom do not live in or near the community". He warns that this imaginary threat will cause "the final destruction of yet another community in our city".

After the letter was read into the record by Rubin, only three CB3 members applauded pathetically. They were right wing slime and would-be city councilman Antonio Pagan, right wing slime landholder and Pagan supporter Krystyna Piorkowska, and CB3 panel member Luis Soler, who is also a member of Pagan's Puerto Rican/Hispanic Council. The lack of response from other CB3 members prompted one CB3er to comment "What a hollow applause!"

It looks like Assemblyman Sanders was put up to writing this letter by the same assholes who have been trying forever to close the park and gentrify the neighborhood, like those who applauded his letter on cue. Sanders should stick to what he does best, whatever that is!! Who the fuck does he think he is telling us what's wrong with our neighborhood, and then blaming the politically active and outside agitators for the problems caused by the government's actions? If you object to Assemblyman Sanders' attempt to close the park, let him know how you feel in a big way!! His office address is: 201 East 16th Street, New York, N.Y. 10003. His phone number is:(212)979-9696, his FAX number is:(212)979-0594. His office hours are 10:00AM-6:00PM. His address in Albany is: Steven Sanders, 63rd District, Room 622, Legislative Office Building, Albany, N.Y. 12248. His phone number there is:(518)455-5506, his FAX number there is:(518)455-4801.

it's time that someone wakes him up and remind him who he's dealing with. Let this asshole know that no two-bit politician is going to get away with kissing the asses of gentrifiers at our expense!!

REDSTRICTING CONTROVERSY ENGLISS LOWER EAST SIDE NASHUA

If two local groups, the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Council and Asian Americans for Equality (AAFE) have their ways, the Lower East Side will be split. The city council district now headed by Miriam Friedlander will become two districts. One of the proposed new districts would be centered near Tompkins Square Park. It would be run by a coalition of Latinos and conservative Ukrainian and Polish landlords. The other district would be centered in Chinatown and would also include white, liberal and middle class Battery Park City.

A third organization, Lower East Siders for a Multi-racial District (LESMRD), is opposing the Puerto Rican Council and AAFE plans. The Multi-racial District would keep the Lower East Side as one complete council district. Proponents of this plan say they want to unite Asians and Latinos into one voting bloc.

Elaine Chan, a member of the Lower East Side Joint Planning Council (JPC) and Community Board 3 (CB3), is co-chair of the LESMRD. Chan says her group is also dedicated to electing Latinos and Asians to the city council, but she cautions against selecting candidates based solely on their race or ethnicity.

Chan says the ridistricting of the city is about "trying to give people in the district an opportunity to have a voice and to participate in the political process. And to be able to have some accountability from the candidates."

Roberto Caballero is a founder of the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Council and director of Pueblo Nuevo, which is a member group in JPC. He is also a protege of Lower East Side liberals who are now outraged by his refusal to support Miriam Friedlander.

That outrage seems to outline a split in JPC. The SHADOW has in its possession a January 23, 1991 letter written by Francis Goldin, a local liberal power broker and founder of the influential Cooper Square Development Committee, to Caballero. Cooper Square is the group that set the standard in the early 1960's for the community organizations that later formed JPC.

Goldin's letter begins by praising Caballero as "an exceptionally gifted and special young man." The glowing tribute continues, "I watched you grow, develop and mature into the respected leader you are today. Although you are a leader of us all, you are a special leader of the Puerto Rican and Hispanic peoples. You are a role model as well as a respected political force."

But Goldin's praise of Caballero ends there as she goes on, "It is for all of the above reasons that I am bewildered by your jeopardizing your reputation and your political future by joining hands and becoming part of a coalition with one of the most corrupt, criminal, exposed, degenerate misleaders of the Puerto Rican people -- Roberto Napoleon."

Caballero replied to Goldin's indictment in a "Dear Francis" letter dated February 2, 1991. In that letter he says, "You and others are entitled to your opinion of Mr. Napoleon and Mr. Pagan. That is your right. What is not your right is for you or any other non-Hispanic to tell Hispanics who our leaders should be.

"Regarding your characterization of Mr. Napoleon, I will not dignify it with a reply, except to say I have heard Cooper Square characterized in those very same terms. It all depends on the eye of the beholder."

Caballero says he supports Community Board 3 member Antonio Pagan's bid to unseat 18-year veteran council member Miriam Friedlander in next fall's election.

A politician with a penchant for shark skin suits, Pagan is despised by many in the community for trying to gain control over several squatter buildings on East 13th Street. But the pint-sized development czar's real claim to fame is his support of the 1988 police rampage near Tompkins Square Park that injured scores of people and led to more than 120 complaints of police brutality.

Antonio Pagan heads another JPC member organization known as Lower East Side Coalition Housing Development (LESCHD). According to one source within JPC, Pagan's group hasn't sent a representative to a JPC meeting in years, although LESCHD is listed on JPC letterhead.

ROBERTO NAPOLEON

Roberto Caballero and Antonio Pagan's new partner is Roberto Napoleon. The man who Francis Goldin calls "a degenerate" was the subject of a 1985 Village Voice article by William Bastone. According to Bastone, "Napoleon has been happy to work with Ed Koch and the most virulent anti-minority forces... to stunt Latin political growth and preserve white rule."

Bastone writes that in 1976 Napoleon worked on that year's Puerto Rican Day parade for Raymon Velez, a corrupt misleader who was responsible for milking the Bronx of millions in anti-poverty money. Napoleon claimed that \$100,000 was stolen from the parade's bank accounts, yet nobody was charged with the theft.



SHELDON SILVER

Napoleon then went into politics for himself, helping to elect Assemblyman Sheldon Silver -- a symbol of white, racist politics on the Lower East Side. Silver's base of support is among the residents of the Grand Street Cooperatives. In 1987, a judge issued a decision that the Cooperatives were involved in "a pattern of intentional racial discrimination in allocating apartments in the buildings under their control."

Bastone wrote that Napoleon backed candidates allied with Ed Koch against Miriam Friedlander in 1982 and 1985. Napoleon also supported City Council President Andrew Stein in his 1984 bid for the United States Congress. According to Bastone, a month after the Congressional election, a Napoleon sidekick was hired as a \$20,000-a-year "housing specialist" by Stein, who also appointed another Napoleon ally to Community Board 1.

CHINATOWN

In Chinatown, a number of groups echo Roberto Caballero's sentiments towards the creation of two separate City Council districts on the Lower East Side.

See "Redistricting Controversy" on Page 17



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: FRANCIS GOLDIN, DAC CREEP HOWARD HEMSLEY, ANTONIO PAGAN AT COMMUNITY BOARD 3 MEETING

REDISTRICTING MADNESS: "LOWER EAST SIDERS FOR A MULTI-RACIAL DISTRICT" MEETING RAISES MORE QUESTIONS THAN IT ANSWERS!!

By Chris Flash

In the wake of the demise of the Board of Estimate, which unevenly represented New York City's five boroughs, the City Council has now made plans for redrawing the community board districts for representation on the City Council, increasing the number of council representatives from 35 to 51.

In response to this opportunity to get their own candidate elected to represent their redrawn district, three groups have quickly emerged to advance their own plans for redrawing the Community Board 3 (CB3) district. They each seek to obtain a majority control on the Lower East Side if their plans are chosen by the Districting Commission.

On April 10, one of these groups, the Lower East Siders for a Multi-Racial District (LESMRD) held a meeting at the El Bohio Center on East 9th Street to describe the proposed districts, including their own. Present and running the meeting included several CB3 members—Carol Watson, Robert Schoenbohn, Elaine Chan, Marguarita Lopez, and Luis Nieves. (Nieves is well known to SHADOW readers as the subject of several "Sleaze Factor" articles, and as the guiding force behind the attempted destruction of the community playground and garden known as "La Plaza Cultural" to make way for an alleged low-income adult home project that has been tied several times to the Senator Alphonse D'Amato/HUD scandal. See SHADOWS #8, #10 + #14 for more information.)

According to the LESMRD, the plan presented by Asian Americans For Equality (AAFE) would create boundaries that divide Asians from Blacks and Latinos, but their main problem with this was that the new district would result in a 30% White population, which would give neither group a majority in the area. The LESMRD says that the plan advanced by the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Council (PR/HC) divides the Hispanic and Black community from the Asians, and would "need White areas to fill it out", also resulting in a 30% White population. The LESMRD says their plan will create "a true minority" district "in which minorities make up a majority".

As if on cue, City Councilwoman Miriam Friedlander appeared to assure those gathered that she "will see to it that districts get minority representation". This received polite applause. Little did she realize however, that hostile forces were at work. Once she left the room, a question and answer session began, with questions submitted to the LESMRD panel in written form. Some people thought it strange that questions could not be asked out loud, since the room held less than 50 people. One question asked was whether Friedlander's running for re-election would hurt the chances of LESMRD's proposed district of passing. The answer was a loud "YES" from Marguarita Lopez, who said that if Friedlander decided to run, "we'll have to act" to get a "minority" to represent their district. Up to this point, it was believed that Asian Americans for Equality was backing Margaret Chin as the city council member for their district, the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Council wants Pagan, and the LESMRD was staying with Friedlander, who has been on the City Council for the past 18 years.

As other questions were unfolded and answered by the panelists, it became clear that LESMRD's objective, like that of AAFE and PR/HC, is controlling the increased real estate value of the Lower East Side in coming years, due to the large number of abandoned city-owned buildings and vacant lots. The LESMRD panel stated several times that they want a "minority" to "control the land, housing, politicians and philosophy that we believe in low-income housing and integration".

The panelists opened and passed over some written questions, claiming that they did not want to repeat those already asked, yet they repeated a question already asked anyway. Father George Kuhn, an activist priest from nearby St. Brigid's church, loudly protested the censorship of the written questions, including his own question, which was: "Is the fact that we cannot ask questions an attempt to control this group?" When the panelists ignored his protests, he angrily walked out of the meeting, declaring "This is a controlled group", adding "You'll never learn". Outside the meeting, Shoenbohn told the SHADOW they were concerned over outbursts and "people who want to confront" rather than attend the meeting. He justified the method of written questions by saying: "Questions can become too crazy".

Later, the SHADOW learned that the group's real fear was that the microphone would be taken over by goons sent by Lower East Side gang leader Roberto Napoleon. Napoleon has joined forces with CB3 members Roberto Caballero and fellow sleaze Antonio Pagan to create the Puerto Rican/Hispanic Council which has in turn joined forces with ultra right wing fascist CB3 member and landlord Krystyna Piorkowska's bloc of Ukranian and Polish landholders and gentrifiers. They plan to to elect Pagan to the City Council in order to control the area they have carved out of the old district, and then set their sights on closing Tompkins Square Park and ridding the area of the poor, homeless and squatters who have stood in the way of increased land values and yuppie developers.

FLASH FOTO

DEMONSTRATORS ATTACKED BY WORKERS' WORLD PARTY PIGS AT "ANTI-WAR" DEMO!!

BY A. KRONSTADT

What do you do when a "radical" group which has successively supported martial law in Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Poland, and China comes around claiming to be your "leadership"? What do you do when they demand that you chant their chants and march behind their marshals and listen quietly to the blah blah of their bureaucrats blathering about jobs and self-determination while their flinty eyes reflect the image of tanks rolling down city streets murdering youth and freedom? You expose them-that's what you do!

A few posters in the Lower East Side and other places announced a demonstration for April 6th in Times Square which would then proceed to the Intrepid floating war museum. The demands were about U.S. out of the Middle East, peace, jobs, peanut butter and jelly and all other nice things, and there was a rather broad range of endorsers. The sponsors, in fact, included both the Campaign for Peace in the Middle East and the Coalition to End U.S. Intervention in the Middle East, the two rival "official" peace groups formed before the Gulf War. This seemed interesting enough to check out, and a few of us anarchists from downtown turned up at the recruiting station. Times Square was full of cops-there must have been at least one cop for each of the three hundred or so demonstrators. All this blue didn't seem to put a damper on the hot air emanating from the podium. After a while it seemed as if there were more speakers than cops or demonstrators. However, when Shawn Eichman and Joe Urgo asked to speak, they were flatly refused by the organizers: Shawn and Joe are facing eleven years in Federal prison for attempting to burn a flag atop the same recruiting station which was the target of this "peaceful, legal" blab-athon behind three layers of cop barricades. Maybe the leadership was afraid that Shawn and Joe might disrupt the boredom and scare somebody. This tedium went on for almost two hours.

It was apparent that this demonstration was completely under the control of the Workers World Party (WWP), a political cult which was founded in 1956 by supporters of the Soviet invasion of Hungary. Over the years, Workers World has specialized in endorsing acts of red fascist tyranny abroad, and in organizing tightly controlled demonstrations prearranged with the police at home. Here they were, all over the place with their little yellow armbands, acting as marshals, making sure that only the correct fifty carefully selected speakers mounted the stage (you might call it `marshal law´). There they were, up on the podium wearing all of their different hats, representing the Committee to Defend Native American Dental Hygienists and the Coalition for Lesbian Rights in East Timor. The only ones who you were supposed to recognize as WWP members were the ones giving out their newspaper Worldess World. Last year, this rag published an article talking about the "heroic miners" in Romania who were bussed into Bucharest to save Communism by bashing in the heads of demonstrators and anyone else who looked easy to bash. But back to the demonstration.

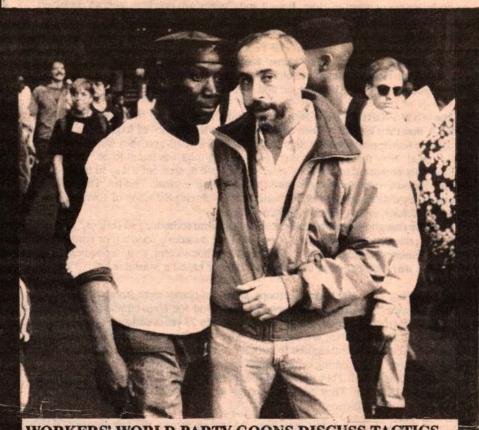
As the last speaker wound down, things started getting weard. A couple of dried up evergreens which had been planted in pots in the middle of Times Square suddenly went up in flames. Holy shit, did they burn! It was the most interesting thing that had happened in the past two hours, and it totally distracted the spectators, oops, demonstrators. Then the march began. The crowd, which had been dwindling for some time and now numbered no more than two hundred, proceeded up Forty-second Street to Eighth Avenue, and then obligingly turned the corner at the Port Authority Bus Terminal and again at Forty-first Street, which is little more than an alley up the middle of the bus station. Sounds like a great place for a demo, right? In this alley, a bunch of Workers World flunkies jumped on Lower East Side activist John Squat and a member of the Revolutionary Communist Youth Brigade who were displaying a banner which did not meet with WWP approval. The spray painted banner read "Defend the Squats, Prepare for War at Home!" The WWP marshals tried to confiscate it, and a tug of war ensued. High mucketymucks of WWP (including Coalition Against U.S. Intervention in the Middle East pooban Brian Becker) came in swinging fists and cardboard poles at the offending banner carriers, who were joined by several friends who pitched in to defend them, including Lower East Side anarchist Lori Rizzo with a big bullhorn. Shouting "just like Tienanmen Square" and "Workers' World is boring" she took the WWP goons' minds off the banner. An even bigger fight then erupted over the bullhorn (it's always about monopoly of communication with these authoritarian bastards, isn't it?). Several male and female WWP marshals mixed in, and their male counterparts accused those defending the bullhorn of "hitting women you cowards". Seconds later, Lori was punched in the face by a six-foot plus male WWPer, who was paid back with a kick in the balls. He grabbed her by the hair and slammed her into a parked van. Finally, we got the bullhorn and the banner back. Several other fights broke out, started by WWP thugs attacking LES activists, as plainclothes cops from the "Anti-Crime" Squad stood by and watched. Then Workers' World went to the cops.

WWPERS CALL IN COPS TO MAKE ARRESTS

The WWP head honcho went over to talk to Lower East Side community affairs cop Sgt. Miriam Rivera. They had a little tete-a-tete, after which the WWP marshals linked arms, forming a cul de sac, and separated the bulk of the march from the group of Lower East Side and RCYB people. The whiteshirted command cop pointed to Lori, and then rushed in with a phalanx of foot cops and grabbed her. A struggle ensued in which the bullhorn was temporarily liberated, but Lori was busted and charged with "illegal use of a sound device". (In order for this charge to stick, WWP would have to send one of its

minions into court to testify that the bullhorn was not intended to be included in their sound permit. Would you put it past them?) The Lower East Side activist who was hanging on to the bullhorn after the bust was jumped and relieved of it minutes later. The instrument, worth over three hundred dollars, is now in police custody where it will stay for who knows how long. Not one WWPer was arrested for any of their assaults. Later, after the arrest, the WWP announced from their stage a warning that the cops were out to divide the crowd and provoke them! They even gave out flyers for a rally to be held five days later at Police Headquarters against police brutality!!

Some would say that Workers World is not worth the trouble; that we should just stay away from their demos let them bore themselves to death. Others would say that we have to expose not only their apologetics for "communist" brutality abroad, but their role as flypaper for soaking up and neutralizing activists at home. Both are right in a way. Personally, I say let's send the bastards to hell with Ceaucescu where they belong. Our quote of the day goes to the Workers World member who, when asked why the marshals were attacking those people, replied that "they were chanting things that weren't germane to the demonstration." Imagine a society with them in charge.



WORKERS' WORLD PARTY GOONS DISCUSS TACTICS AFTER ATTACK ON ACTIVISTS. (9th AVE, NEAR 42nd ST.)

BEWARE OF THE WWP!

THE WORKERS WORLD PARTY OPERATES UNDER A NUMBER OF FRONT GROUPS, SOME OF WHICH ARE LISTED BELOW. ALWAYS CHECK THE LIST OF SPONSORS ON DEMO FLIERS. OR LOOK FOR A SIMILARITY IN APPEARANCE AND WORDING ON THE FLIERS. IF THEY ARE EVASIVE, ACT SUSPICIOUS OR GET NASTY WHEN YOU ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT THEIR GROUP, OR WHO'S REALLY BEHIND THE DEMO, THEN CHANCES ARE GOOD THAT YOU HAVE FOUND THE WWP. IF YOU KNOW OF ANY OTHER FRONT GROUPS. OR HAVE EXPERIENCED SOMETHING LIKE THIS, PLEASE LET US KNOW SO WE CAN EXPOSE THEM FURTHER.

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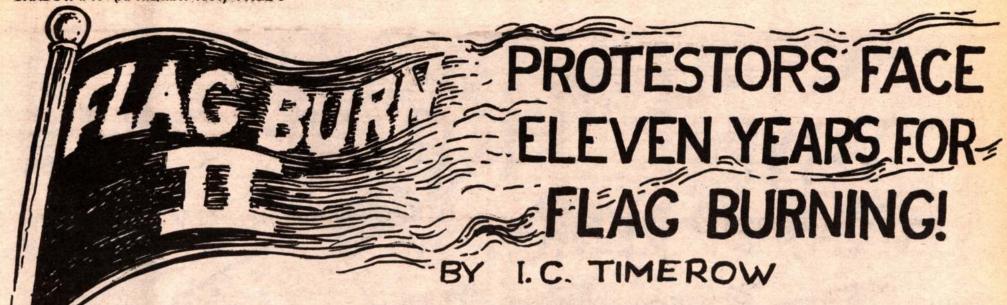
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SHADOW #17 1991



(Editor's Note: While the SHADOW would <u>never</u> glorify <u>anything</u> done by the RCP (Revolutionary Communist Party), which we consider to be a bunch of right-wing control freaks that attach themselves to other political groups in order to disorganize them, take credit for the other groups' actions and even take them over, we are making an exception in the flag burning case of RCP members Shawn Eichman and Joe Urgo because the issue of flag burning prosecution affects us all, the potential sentences they face are extremely harsh, and because their action had nothing to do with the RCP!!)

JUST WHEN YOU THOUGHT IT WAS SAFE TO GO BACK TO BURNING THE FLAG!!

Starring:

Shawn Eichman, reprising her role as a flag burner, politically prosecuted by the state!

Joe Urgo, a Vietnam vet against the War who brought a message back to the recruiting station that had suckered him into joining the armed forces, over a quarter-century earlier! Special guest stars William Kunstler & Ronald Kuby, back again from "Flag Burn I" where they took the case all the way to the Supreme Court of the United States and won!

TWICE THE THRILLS! TWICE THE CHILLS! AND 11 TIMES THE POTENTIAL JAIL TIME!

Shawn Eichman is one of many actors performing the guerilla street theater piece "Put the New World Order on Trial" in Washington Square Park. In this piece some folks play the jurors, some play the witnesses and some the defendants (wearing the masks of George Bush, Colin Powell and Dick Cheney). Using props and comedy, the New World Order is found guilty on every count as Bush, Powell and Cheney are pounded with an oversized foam-rubber hammer. Hundreds watch in delight, shock and utter disgust.

Shawn has been coming to the Tompkins Square Park speakouts for the last few Fridays. On June 4th, she must appear in Federal Court for sentencing in a case in which the state has found her guilty. Her "crime" was the attempted burning of a government-owned U.S. flag. Her legal team has already told her they cannot appeal the case. She and Joe Urgo face a possible 11 years in jail and a \$10,000 fine at sentencing.

In the NEW WORLD ORDER, they ignore the facade about "free speech" in ameriKKA that they feed us. When Shawn's case for the "crime" of flagburning (along with seven others) was appealed to the Supreme Court a few years ago, they were only facing one year -max! Now that they won that case (burning flags was found to be constitutionally-protected freedom of speech), the state figured out a way to make it a tenyear rap. You see, they didn't try to burn their own flag, instead! Get it? They tried to burn a flag they didn't own (and didn't burn, either) --attempted arson of government property! A felony, with a possible ten-year rap.

"We never thought they were going to charge us with something so serious," said Shawn.
"We thought, maybe obstructing gov't administration, disorderly conduct, or criminal mischief. Nothing as serious as this. It was an act of non-violent, civil disobedience. It was a protest to a war, that can now, in retrospect, only be called a Massacre."

On September 11th, 1990, as U.S. troops, ships and planes were streaming into the Gulf, for "defensive" measures only, Shawn Eichman and Joe Urgo climbed atop the same Times Square recruiting station that Joe had enlisted in 25 years earlier. They raised banners proclaiming "Hell No, We Won't Go!" and "U.S Out of the Middle East!". They lowered the U.S. flag (and attempted to burn it) and raised a red flag. Oil and fake blood were dripped onto the recruiting center's signs to symbolize that the U.S. considers oil more precious than blood. They did this at the morning rush hour, delivering impromptu speeches thru a bullhorn. They made no attempt to resist arrest, as taking the bust was part of their civil disobedience.

Instead, they were treated like terrorists. After their arrests, the pigs threatened them physically -- Shawn was threatened with rape. Brought before the U.S. Magistrate on September 12th by the FBI and Joint Terrorist Task Force (JTTF), they were charged with Arson, Reckless Endangerment, and Depredation of Federal Property. The government says Shawn and Joe were trying to burn down the building and let it collapse into the subway below (the recruiting center is built on grates just above the subway). After spending three days at the Manhattan Correctional Center, much of it under interrogation by the JTTF, they were released on \$100,000 personal recognizance bond.

In a series of pre-trial motions, the state offerred to drop the arson charge if Shawn and Joe pleaded guilty to Reckless Endangerment, a misdemeanor which could get them one year max. They declined the offer because of the care they took during their action. This was the government's attempt to portray them as terrorists endangering the welfare of others. Then the government added a felony burglary charge and offered to drop it in return for a plea to reckless endangerment. No deal! In January, Judge Sand advised the prosecution that the burglary charge would require them to prove "entry". So, in mid-February, with the bombing of Iraq and war hype in full swing, the Justice Department dropped the burglary charge and brought in the new indictment of attempted arson, for flagburning.

THE TRIAL

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The state delivered a neat package by starting the trial with jury selection on a Monday, March 18th, and ending it with a verdict that Friday March 22nd at 7:00 PM. There had been pressure to bring in a verdict before the weekend so the jury wouldn't have to come back the following week.

Prosecution witnesses included cops who witnessed the action, a fire marshall and an FBI chemist. The latter two witnesses were forced to admit under defense cross-examination that the possibility of a fire starting was remote. The prosecution contended that a fire could have begun, then it could have spread to the oil used for the action, could have ignited the roof, could have melted the tar on the roof, which then could have dripped off the roof into the subway grating below, and could have started fires that would have spread throughout the subway system! This imaginary series of events was mocked by the defense attorneys as the "destruction of all life on earth" scenario.

Dozens of prospective jurors were excused because they were considered by the prosecution and the judge as not being "objective". The day after jury selection, one woman juror broke down crying in the judge's chambers, telling him that she was against the war and would not vote against the defendants, no matter what the law said. Many of Shawn and Joe's supporters felt she should have kept quiet and stayed on the jury.

The only defense witnesses called were Shawn and Joe themselves. Shawn explained the significance of symbols like the flag and said her whole life was political -- "to be a woman in this society is political", she said. Joe told the court about his days as a GI during the Tet Offensive, seeing five of his friends killed in a bunker explosion -- (for what??) -- and his work as an organizer of the Winter Soldier Investigation of U.S. war crimes in Viet Nam. He said he no longer had his medals because he had thrown them back during the Dewey Canyon II demo in D.C. 20 years ago. He told the jury "the act of lighting up the flag was an expression of contempt and hatred for what the U.S. was intending to do in the Gulf."

Both described in detail the preparation and carrying out of their action of September 11th, including their intention to burn the flag and pour oil down the sides of the building. The flag displayed by the prosecution as evidence was caked with dirt and made of nylon, which caused it to only slightly melt when Joe applied his matches to it.

Judge Sand repeatedly ruled that the question of the war and how the defendants felt about the war could not be raised in the trial. The "Nuremburg defense" -- a refusal to follow orders and laws in order to stop a crime against humanity -- was not allowed. The judge tried to maintain "this is not a flag-burning case". The jury was not to know that Shawn and Joe could get up to 12 years on all the charges, though Joe blurted it out while on the witness stand. The prosecutor quickly objected, and Judge Sand sustained. Sand told the jury to disregard the possible sentences because they had nothing to do with sentencing, only determining innocence or guilt.

In the end, the jury found them not guilty on the reckless endangerment charge. Kunstler and Kuby felt this was a major victory as it proved that Shawn and Joe were not terrorists, but only committing a symbolic non-violent act of dissent. Unfortunately, they were found guilty of the most serious charge of felony arson (trying to burn the flag), which carries a potential ten-year sentence, as well as depredation of federal property (a misdemeanor), which carries a potential one-year sentence. The United States Supreme Court has ruled that flagburning is constitutionally protected free speech, so the sentence is outrageous. Even so, under the sentencing guidelines, there is no minimum jail time required under either of the charges.

Perhaps the most interesting item concerning the case to appear recently is the letter that was sent to Judge Sand on March 29th by a member of Shawn and Joe's jury. It read:

"I am writing this letter to you to plead for the defendants when it comes time for sentencing. I hope you will be as lenient as possible in their sentences ... As you directed, we did not allow the possible consequences of our decison to become a factor in our verdict. You, however, can see that mercy and justice are applied in sentencing ... the damage to the flag, which can be purchased for under \$25 new does not warrant serving jail time. The defendants showed thorough planning in their demonstration. If they had any reason to expect their actions would result in felony charges, they would have brought their own flag ... you stated several times the case was not about flag burning, but was about destruction of government property. However, no one on the jury believes the U.S. would have brought the case if not for destruction of the flag. The case would not have gone as it did, if the defendants had chosen a lamp or a table, or some other \$25 item ... No matter how the government couches the language, the case is obviously a flagburning case ... I am very annoyed the U.S. government would take so many people's time and taxpayer money to bring such a political case to trial ... In conclusion, I urge you to impose the absolute minimum penalty within your power, when it comes to sentencing."

Shawn is now preparing for a benefit for their defense committee and has already gotten commitments from actress Margot Kidder and author Kurt Vonnegut to speak. The Free Shawn and Joe Defense Committee meets every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. at Washington Square Church on 135 West 4th Street. The Committee can be reached at 212-969-0865. Sentencing is set for June 4th, at the Federal Courthouse, 40 Centre Street, Room 601, New York, N.Y. 10007, at 10:00AM. Judge Leonard Sand can be reached there if you want to write him a letter.

Says Shawn: "If we're given jail time on these bogus charges, then it won't just be a major defeat for Joe and I, but for anyone who chooses to speak out against this system!"

THE FULLY INFORMED JURY AMENDMENT: WHEN YOU ARE ASKED TO SIT ON A JURY, YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO VOTE ACCORDING TO YOUR CONSCIENCE.

TRUE...BUT it's very unlikely the judge will tell you this, because he doesn't have to. Instead, the judge is likely to say that you may consider "only the facts" of the case, and may not let your opinion of the law or the motives of the defendant affect your decision.

This is a serious problem. How can anyone expect to get a truly fair trial if the jurors aren't told of their right to judge the law as well as the facts of the case?

A lot of people don't get fair trials. Too often, jurors end up apologizing to people they've voted to convict, just because they thought they "had to" vote for a guilty verdict based upon the facts alone.

"BUT IF ALL THIS IS TRUE", YOU ASK, "WHY DOESN'T THE JUDGE SIMPLY TELL THE JURY ABOUT IT?"

Obviously, an uninformed jury is something which should never occur in a country whose state and federal constitutions all guarantee every accused person the right to a fair trial by a jury of his peers.

But it's a sad fact of life that judges generally don't want ordinary citizens making decisions about the law, even if it is their country. So they deliberately don't tell jurors their full range of rights and powers.

This lack of information undermines the whole idea of judgement by a jury of one's own peers, whereby a cross section of ordinary people from the community is supposed to consider both the law and its own standards of right and wrong in order to reach a just verdict.

Most Americans are aware of their right to trial by jury, but few know that the jury always has the power to judge according to conscience, regardless of the law and the facts of the case. Why don't we know this? Because we were never told—in school, in movies or television shows about trials, or even in most law schools!

The FULLY INFORMED JURY AMENDMENT (FIJA) is a way to tell EVERYBODY about jurors' rights, where it counts--in the courtroom.

From colonial times until just less than a hundred years ago, it was routine for the judge to inform jurors of their full range of rights. But during the late 1800s, special-interest pressure inspired a series of judicial decisions which sought to limit the jurors' right to judge the law, by refusing to allow discussion of the issue in the courtroom.

While no court has dared deny that jurors have the power to acquit despite evidence or the law, judges still regularly contend that jurors must be kept in the dark, and may not be told they have this power. Defense attorneys who know about it still occasionally manage to have it included in the instructions given the jury, but risk being cited for contempt of court if they bring it up without the judge's approval.

Still, this power of the jury continues to be recognized, as in 1972, when the D.C. District Court of Appeals held that the jury has an "unreviewable and irreversible power...to acquit in disregard of the instruction on the law given by the trial judge..." Other federal courts have recently affirmed the right of jury veto power.

"IN OTHER WORDS, JURORS STILL RETAIN THE RIGHT TO REFUSE TO CONVICT A DEFENDANT OF BREAKING WHAT THEY FEEL IS A BAD LAW, BUT THEY'RE NO LONGER TOLD ABOUT IT."

FIJA--THE "FULLY INFORMED JURY AMENDMENT" is both a political and an educational campaign to Inform American citizens about their rights as jurors.

Many states permit passage of laws or amendments to their constitutions by direct votes of the people (the initiative process). In these states, FIJA will be a ballot-issue campaign to require judges to inform every juror that he may base his verdict upon the facts of the case, the merits of the law, and his own sense of right and wrong.

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ANTI-POSTERING LAW THROWN OUT!!

On January 5, 1988, Bob Z., an artist who designed several flyers for a local underground punk show was fined \$3,700 by the New York City Sanitation Police. Through secret, bogus phone calls, these "Poster Police" determined that Bob Z., the creator of a series of flyers for a couple of underground shows was guilty of "littering". Incensed and angered over the obvious bias of these actions taken against him (while large corporations responsible for movie posters and the like went unharassed), Bob Z. began to organize grass roots support against the enforcement of this anti-postering law. When the Poster Police learned of his organizing activities, they proceeded to jack up the initial fines to over \$22,200.

Four demonstrations were held outside the Sanitation Department offices, leading to national press coverage of the issue and political pressure that eventually convinced city council members to put a ceiling of \$250 on fines for first offenders. However, this left the law intact, and enforcement of the postering statute continued regardless of its unfairness and unconstitutionality.

Pressed by the city of New York into a court battle, Bob Z. succeeded in having the \$22,200 fine thrown out. Presided over by Sanitation Department lackeys, the ultimate judgement at this court was finalized at the initial \$3,700. The shoddily-worded law was left on the books so that others could still be similarly harassed and prosecuted.

With widespread support from the underground music community, Bob Z. continued the fight despite having already paid over \$2000 in legal fees out of his own pocket. In order to appeal the court's decision and constitutionally challenge the postering law, \$10,000 more needed to be raised.

After much hard work publicizing the issue and picketing in front of the Sanitation offices with diverse grass roots organizations, Bob managed to convince the ACLU to take up the battle to overturn the law. Attorney C. Edwin Baker did the lion's share of the legal work and nearly all the exhaustive research.

A decision in New York State Supreme Court reduced his fine to \$250, but left the law enforcement policies intact on a technicality. Bob finally appealed to the New York State Appellate Court. The judge there found the postering law to be unconstitutional as it is currently being enforced, and demanded that the city pay all of the ACLU's legal costs as well. New York City has 90 days, or until the end of May 1991 to appeal the decision against it.

This means that, barring an appeal, the City of New York will no longer be able to randomly attack posterers without evidence--physically seeing them in the act of postering. With this precedent-setting decision, the Sanitation Police will no longer be able to harass people for street postering. The postering law as it has been used by the City to silence grass roots organizing is now a dead issue.

It should also be noted that in 1990, while an international furor was being raised, Sanitation Commissiner Brendan Sexton, the prime architect of these policies, was fired from his job. Letters of outrage from as far away as Poland, where a petition with over 500 names was signed, were directed at Sexton in a steady stream over a period of years. Bob says this aid was invaluable in helping to appeal the court decision and maintain pressure on the authorities.

"The defeat of New York City's postering statute is a victory for anyone who puts up a poster on any street in the U.S.," said Bob Z. "Now any activist who depends on street flyering cannot be harassed with massive fines like I was."



MAYDAY 29
UPDATE
ONE YEAR LATER...

CHICAGO 1886

The cops always get pretty weird around Mayday. The days following the very first Mayday parade in 1886, in which 80,000 people marched in support of a strike for the 8 hour day, were a whirlwind of police brutality. Cops fired point blank into crowds of demonstrators killing and wounding dozens. The carnage culminated in the Haymarket affair, in which police attacked an anarchist rally at the last minute, as people were drifting away. A bomb exploded over the heads of the cops, killing one of them and provoking a volley of shots into the demonstration, in which four workers were killed. Four anarchists were hanged for the death of the cop, even though it was not even contended that any of them threw the bomb. Their ideas were enough to hang them. Cops don't like Mayday because it represents rebellion against the rich scum whom they protect. They attack people for protesting the rule of bosses and landlords, and then accuse their victims of "riot", "incitement", "assault"; in the Haymarket case even "murder".

TOMPKINS SQUARE PARK 1990

Last Mayday in Tompkins Square Park, the cops did it again when they attacked the stage of the Resist to Exist/Squatter Mayday concert just as the last band was finishing up. Outraged by the beating and arrest of the concert organizers, people fought back against the police for hours. Twenty-nine people were arrested, and 22 are still facing charges from the confrontation, 11 for felonies and 11 for misdemeanors.

The cases are now dragging on in Manhattan Criminal Court, with prosecutors and defense lawyers haggling over who has what evidence (a process called "discovery"). Police videotapes were turned over to the defense which indicated how little evidence the State has been able to dig up on the defendants, many of whom were arrested on the stage before they had a chance to defend themselves and many others of whom were dragged randomly out of the crowd. The unskilled police video artists are caught taping their own white sneakers and speculating that one of the people that the pigs just arrested would end up with "a hung jury".

JUDGE APOLOGIZES

The Mayday defendants have been going through a game of "musical judges", as one judge after another turns down the job of trying 11 defendants at a time in what promises to be a long jury trial. Judge Martin Rettinger, when confronted with a defendant's demand for an apology and a dismissal, was quoted as saying "I apologize, I apologize, but I can't dismiss your case". Rettinger (whose rumpled informality made him difficult to distinguish from defendants) promptly dumped the cumbersome and inevitably embarrassing case in the lap of another judge.

MAYDAY 1991

Undaunted by the trial and unceasing bureaucratic harassment, organizers are busily putting together the Fifth Annual Squatter Mayday, which will once again include dozens of bands, poets, clowns and free food. The Parks Department, embodied in Ms. Patrick Epstein (a self-proclaimed ex-hippie), has been enquiring about the nature of the poetry which will be recited. She expressly asked whether anybody will say "Fuck the Police". She also kindly consented to permit Allen Ginsburg two microphones for his performance because he was "internationally known", while refusing to issue the same privilege to local performers. The concert is shaping up in spite of the chickenshit. Let's have a good time and "Fuck the Police".

CONFIDENTIAL TO P.B.-There's no difference between the Federal Constitution and the Constitution of the United States.

For information about upcoming Mayday 29 court dates call (212) 713-5743

Anyone possessing photographs or videotapes of the Mayday 1990 police riot which might be useful in the defense of the 22 defendants still facing trial are encouraged to send them to the Tompkins Square Mayday 29 Defense Committee, 228 East 10th Street, Box 24, New York, N.Y. 10003. If you are not comfortable with having your name associated with such information, please feel free to submit anonymously.

PHOTOS SEEN IN SHADOW #11: PIGS TAKE AWAY 'DANGEROUS" MAN WITH A BROKEN FOOT AND FRACTURED ARM were arrested after being d for help. By 2.00 FLASH FOTO PLAINCLOTHES PIGS ARREST CONCERTGOER AF HIS FACE SEVERAL TIMES ON HOOD OF CAR-(N At 10:00, over 100 people marched to the 9th pr creet to demand the release of those arrested earlier. The The nigs as detectives looked on from the stat

CUNY STUDENTS TAKE OVER CAMPUSES IN STAND OFF **OVER TUITION HIKES!!**

By NASHUA

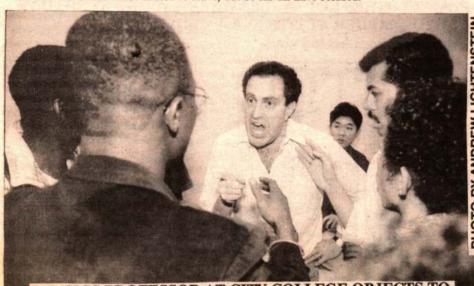
Protesting major tuition hikes, City University of New York (CUNY) students have taken over thirteen of the city university system's twenty-one campuses.

The takeovers began on April 6th, resulting from governor Mario Cuomo's announcement that he wants to cut \$95 million from the State Education Budget, resulting in a 30% increase in tuition, from \$1,000 to \$1,500 a semester. Cuomo also wants a \$400 semester cut in certain state grants to the poorest of students. Most CUNY students nowadays are Black and Hispanic and cannot afford the tuition increase.

Six campuses are completely closed as of this writing (April 22), including the Borough of Manhattan Community College in Lower Manhattan, where students are under a court order to end their occupation. They were ordered to leave by noon of April 20th, but

A few weeks earlier, at Laguardia Community College, police came at the behest of the administration there and forced the students out, beating and arresting some of them in the process. Students retook the building the next day. The students biggest fear now is a massive police assault on the campuses.

The biggest campus take over has been the CUNY main campus at 138th Street. The administration there has been afraid to call the police since the take over in early April, fearing riots in the Harlem community nearby. As of April 22nd, at least 2-3 schools' students are under court orders to leave, but so far all have refused.



PHYSICS PROFESSOR AT CITY COLLEGE OBJECTS TO DISRUPTION OF HIS CLASSES BY STUDENT ACTIVISTS

PROTESTING TUITION INCREASES.

CUNY Campuses Under Seige

This is a list of City University of New York campuses where students have taken buildings:

 The City College of New York, Convent Avenue and 138th Street, Manhattan. Protesting students occupy five buildings that house 85 percent of the college's classrooms, CCNY officials have canceled all classes until further notice

 Borough of Manhattan Community College, 199 Chambers St. Students seized college's lone building. All classes have been canceled.

 Eugenio Maria de Hostos Community College, Consum Agra de Hostos Community College,
 Soo Grand Concourse, the Bronx. Students hold the
 administration building, which also contains classrooms. All classes have been canceled.
 Hunter College, 655 Park Ave., Manhattan. Stu-

dents occupy the college's East Building, which contains classrooms, administrative offices and the

library. College is open.

 Bronx Community College, University Avenue and West 181st Street. Students blocking entrance to Colston Hall, a classroom and administrative building. Police were called earlier, students left but returned later. College is open.

 Herbert H. Lehman College, Bedford Park Bou-levard, West Bronx. Shuster Hall administration building and Carman Hall taken. College is open.

Brooklyn College, Bedford Avenue and Avenue
 H. Students occupy Boylan Hall, a classroom and
 administrative building. College remains open
 New York City Technical College, 300 Jay
 St., Brooklyn. Students took the southern wing of

college's main building. Police entered the building and students left peacefully. College remains open.

CUNY STUDENT DESCRIBES THE TAKEOVER OF CITY COLLEGE!!

After weeks of lobbying, letter writing, petitions, trips to Washington, designed to make us think the system works, we began planning the take-over of our campus the first Monday after Spring recess.

We learned from the 1989 take-over that we had to be better organized, so a wellequipped group of over 30 students of all nationalities conspired, "borrowing" floor plans of the whole college. We had it all laid out, from A-Z: doors, exits, basement, rooms, airvents, electrical wiring, power boxes, every screw hole and crack is

The day before school re-opened, as the media wrapped up its "concern" for the poor priviledged Florida bound students who overindulge in alcohol, we worked throughout the night, cutting five foot lengths of chain, getting together locks, wrenches, bolt cutters, and walkie-talkies.

We moved from apartment to apartment in the Washington Heights area, where most of us live. These are the areas created by the state as huge rat holes, prisons designed to keep us down. Only by knowledge and education can we build a new

At 3 AM, the first group of seven students entered unseen through the basement door. We chained those doors and waited until 4:30 AM to signal the next wave of twenty students. The bulk of the group moved on foot into position to 136th Street and Convent Avenue. We stood on the dark street corner with chain, locks, bolt cutters and flashlights in hand.

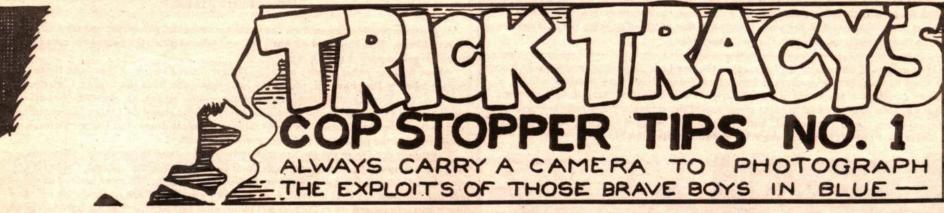
Plans never go as well as we would like. The door that was supposed to be open was closed, so we stopped to decide if we should storm the front door, or wait for an another alternative. A student thought we had been spotted by a security guard. We began to panic, a decision had to made quickly, or the operation would be in jeopardy. If we were seen, security would call the police or hold us off long enough for the police to get there. To add to this momentary confusion, a van load of security personnel passed slowly by us as we stood on the corner. We felt sure we were spotted, so we stormed the school, running at full speed with boxes of locks and chains lingling as we went up one flight of stairs from the back of the college and down two flights around the long ramp straight to the front doors of the N.A.C. building.

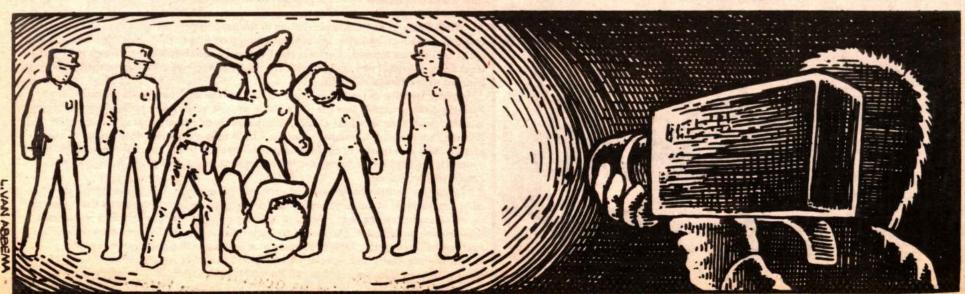
As we ran through the front doors, the two security guards stood in shock, frozen in their positions as we chained the two front doors. An attempt made by one guard was to no avail as he was swept aside by the tide of determined students. Three students, including myself, went straight to the security office to announce the take-over. The greatest thrill was telling the chief of security that they had to leave. After a few minutes of hesitation, they agreed to leave.

All went smoothly from then on. The students secured more than one hundred entrances and exits. Newspapers were plastered on the windows, assignments were given, speaker systems were set up, and announcements began as students began to arrive.

Today, the news media is trying to divide the movement with attempts to portray students as against the student demonstrators. It seems okay to demonstrate, strike or revolt in other countries, but here it is portrayed as trouble-making. Are squatters trouble makers fighting for a home? Are students trouble makers fighting for education? NO! The trouble makers are in Washington. We have troubles paying rent, troubles paying tuition, troubles paying tax, while they rob us! If they call us trouble-makers, then I'm a proud trouble-maker. United, we will

EDITOR'S NOTE: On April 25th, nursing students from Manhattan Community College suceeded in pushing out students occupying buildings there. The next day, at 2:30AM, riot pigs stormed the campus of Bronx Community College and arrested occupying students. Later that day, Students voluntarily ended their occupation of LaGuardia Community College and Lehman College, but many students remain in these and other buildings are vow they will never leave.







Well, here we are <u>again!</u> Now that the THVs ("Temporary Headquarters Vehicles") have reappeared at the corner of 10th Street and Avenue A, you know it's summertime in Tompkins Square Park!! For weeks, kops were making themselves scarce, mostly due to the "Blue Flu" they pulled to display their anger over the city's refusal or inability to give the koppers a raise. It seems they want a 5.5% hike, like the school teachers just got. The problem is, we don't see the kops performing as useful a function as teachers, unless you consider random beatings, shootings and police riots to be a useful learning experience! (In a lot of ways, they <u>are!</u>) Rather than give the kops more money, the mayor decided to hire 2100 more kops instead, thereby increasing the number of the little buggers assigned to the 9th precinct and the Lower East Side.

Captain Seta of the 9th denies getting extra men, but the number of koppers on foot, scooters and in vans assigned to the Free Speech Speakouts at St. Marx and Avenue A on Friday nights have been excessive, to say the least. Seta and Lieutenant Heinz have been deploying a crew of about a dozen kops on foot, vehicles and horseback to surround the Free Speechers and throw away nearby garbage, as well as the misnamed plainclothes "Anti-Crime Squad" kops circling the park and sitting on car hoods across the street from the park. For a few days, a large kleig light police truck was parked in front of the bandshell. Apparently, the kops are nervous after several recent skirmishes in the park over fire barrels they tried to extinguish on cold nights. COP WATCH hears that the kops won 3 and the people won 2, with kops retreating under a hail of flying bottles! Plainclothes kops riding in a taxi cab (Hack #9R50) even tried to scare a squatter/activist near the park by trying to run him over! They jumped out and told him they could get him then because he was alone! These same kops told a SHADOW reporter a few days later that they didn't really want to be here on the Lower East Side fighting the activists, but that they'd rather be elsewhere fighting crime. Seeing how much they enjoy what they're doing here, that's very hard to believe!

Other kops are adding to the tension by using "divide and conquer" tactics against the homeless and activists in the park. Telling them the activists are going to get them kicked out of the park, kops like Captain Seta and even Deputy Inspector Michael Julian (former commander of the 9th precinct) have been trying to set the homeless in the park against the activists. Looks like the kops are really trying hard to set the stage for yet another kop riot, using the homeless and the upcoming May Day Concert as their excuse. Why don't they just leave well enough alone?

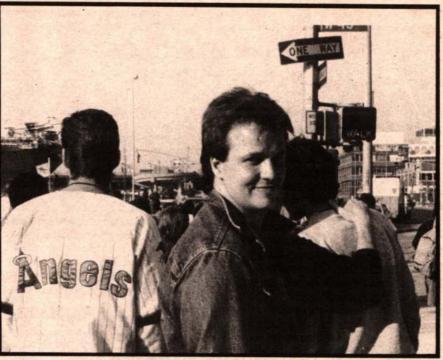
In the midst of an avalanche of reports on escalating police violence and major cuts in social programs, the city decides the answer is hiring more kops! A recent newspaper headline read:"2100 Kops Safer". Safer for whom, we wonder? Gentrifiers, real estate developers, yuppies, maybe. For people trying to live their lives in peace in New York City? Hardly, especially since most of the kops are from outside of New York City. Anyway, patrolling the area in and around the park sure is a lot safer than the territories controlled by drug dealing street gangs just east of the park-just ask any kop and he'll tell you!

But don't ask P.O. Quinn of the 9th precinct, who just got the PBA to file suit against the city on his behalf, demanding that the city either clear the homeless from the park or suspend police operations in the park. If Quinn is that afraid of <u>policing</u> the homeless, then he should check out what it's like to <u>be</u> homeless!

We have photos of undercover kops present at the April 6th Times Square Anti-War Demo, who stood by watching and smiling as Lower East Side activists were attacked several times by members of the Workers' World Party (WWP). Of course, they made no arrests, except when the WWPers told them to arrest one of the activists. We've run their photos before--they are the same so-called "Anti-Crime Squad" assigned to demos and kop riots on the Lower East Side. It looks like the WWP did their dirty work for them!



KOPS (IN SUNGLASSES) STAND BY AS DEMONSTRATOR GETS ATTACKED BY WORKERS' WORLD GOONS.



PLAINCLOTHES KOP SMILES WHEN CAUGHT BY SHADOW PHOTOGRAPHER AT 12TH AVE + 43RD ST. (Note other kops behind him!)





APPROACH WITH CAUTION SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS

Where is
Captain Esposito?
Come out, come out,
wherever you are!!

Narc nabbed on L.I.

A city narcotics sergeant was arrested on drunken-driving charges after he got into an accident on Long Island early yesterday, police said. Sgt. Abner Moore, 31, an 11-year veteran, was placed on modified assignment following his arrest at 2:30 a.m. by state police of the Valley Stream barracks, said Sgt. Mary Wrensen, a city police spokeswoman. Moore, assigned to the Manhattan North Tactical Narcotics Team, was driving east on Southern State Parkway near Franklin Ave. when he got into an accident.

As always, thanks to the growing number of kop watchers who have been keeping their eyes on the kops. Now more than ever, with more kops on the way, keep on watching those kops! If you have any info, stories, or photos that you want to see published and added to our mug books, send it all to the SHADOW, P.O.Box 20298, New York, N.Y. 10009.

GUN, VICTIMS ARRESTED INSTEAD

By Stuart Frankel

Sometimes people come in from the burbs on weekends, get drunk, and terrorize the local residents. This happened on April 7th, and several locals got busted because the violent drunk happened to be a cop.

About 4:00 early that Sunday morning, Officer Brent Fleming, a New York State trooper based in Poughkeepsie, emerged a little unsteadily from the Orange Club (located at 85 Ave. A). Finding some people hanging out around his car, he shouted, "Get off my damn fucking car," and began threatening them. Maybe they didn't move fast enough--it's hard to figure out what's going on in the mind of a violent drunk, but Officer Fleming grabbed one of the people and put a revolver to his head.

Eventually cops from the 9th precinct arrived and calmed things down. They took Officer Fleming away and invited people down to the station house. Frank Carlucci, 19, went there hoping to file a complaint against Officer Fleming. When he arrived at the precinct, however, the cops arrested him. A little while later, Michael Davis, 20, who had been a witness, showed up at the precinct to see what had happened to his friend. The cops arrested him, too.

While Carlucci and Davis were stiing in the holding pen, the cops gave Officer Fleming coffee and comfort, and after about three hours took him to the hospital so he could later claim that he was injured. Carlucci and Davis were held for 28 hours, which is over the legal limit. Carlucci was charged with criminal mischief and felonious assault; Davis was charged with criminal mischief.

Officer Delvalle at the 9th precinct refused to take any complaints against Officer Fleming on the grounds that the State Police are not in the same jurisdiction. A couple of months ago, a member of the Civilian Complaint Review Board told the Community Board's Public Safety Committee that the CCRB took complaints about cops in other jurisdictions as a matter of course and passed them on to the appropriate authorities. Of course, if the cops refuse to register the complaints in the first place, there are no complaints to pass on.

In the past, other people have had problems filing complaints at the 9th precinct.

After one incident of police violence, the desk sergeant reportedly couldn't find any pens!

Needless to say, the cops refused to take any <u>criminal</u> complaint, which would have been in their jurisdiction. According to Carlucci's lawyer, the District Attorney's office may not be investigating Officer Fleming at all. It looks like another whitewash.

Meanwhile, Davis and especially Carlucci are in alot of legal trouble. If there are any other witnesses, they are urged to call Ronnie at (212)431-5159. It would help alot.

Carlucci is next due in Criminal Court at 100 Centre Street, "Part F", on April 29th.



By RON KUBY and WILLIAM M.KUNSTLER (Attorneys At Law)

Representing yourself can be a very empowering experience. No more sitting around waiting for the lawyer to show up. No more standing by silently while the attorney and the judge have an interaction from which you are excluded. You are taking control of your own case!

Contrary to popular myth, being a lawyer is not much more difficult than being an arcwelder or an Audi mechanic. Or as one satisfied client said recently, "That looked pretty easy. Could you write it down so I can do it myself next time?" So here it is:

WARNING: DO NOT ATTEMPT TO USE THIS KIT ANYWHERE BUT IN SUMMONS COURT AT 346 BROADWAY. CHILDREN: DO NOT TRY THIS WITHOUT YOUR PARENTS BEING PRESENT!

MATERIALS YOU WILL NEED:

Before you go to court, you should first go to a law library, or a good public library that has a copy of the <u>penal code</u>, and xerox the section of the law that you are accused of violating (see your summons). For example, you will find "Disorderly Conduct" under Penal Law Section 240.20. Under the law, a person is "guilty of disorderly conduct when, with intent to cause public inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm, or recklessly creating a risk thereof:

- 1. He engages in fighting or in violent, tumultuous or threatening behavior; or
- 2. He makes unreasonable noise; or
- 3. In a public place, he uses abusive or obscene language, or makes an obscene gesture;
 - 4. Without lawful authority, he disturbs any lawful assembly or meeting or persons; or
 - 5. He obstructs vehicular or pedestrian traffic; or
- 6. He congregates with other persons in a public place and refuses to comply with a lawful order of the police to disperse; or
- 7. He creates a hazardous or physically offensive condition by any act which serves no legitimate purpose."

Study these provisions carefully. At the same time you copy this law, you should xerox several cases that have been used to set a precedent under the law you are accused of violating. In this case, they are People v. Tarka, 75 N.Y.2d 996, 557 N.Y.S.2d 266 (1990), People v. Hall, 48 N.Y.2d 927, 425 N.Y.S.2d 56 (1979), and People v. Dumas, 68 N.Y.2d 731, 506 N.Y.S.2d 319 (1986). Ask the law librarian where to find these cases. Make copies for yourself and copies for the Judicial Hearing Officer, who will hear your case in court.

YOUR FIRST APPEARANCE AND THE MOTION TO DISMISS:

Summons Court is the lowest criminal court in the City of New York. Summons Part 1 (Hereinafter called SAP 1) prosecutes only violations. Violations are lower than felonies or misdemeanors, and are not considered "crimes". In this article, we will treat only the offense of "Disorderly Conduct"--the most common violation for political demonstration-related conduct.

Summons court is so crowded that SAP 1 is presided over by a retired judge, called a Judicial Hearing Officer. Many of these JHOs are quite progressive, if somewhat idiosyncratic, and it is often fun to appear before them. Many of them, realizing the general stupidity of prosecuting people for whizzing on the street or playing basketball in unauthorized zones (two of the more common violations), try and assume a counselling function toward the young people who appear before them. They are not particularly interested in wasting time on you.

First, make sure you show up at 9:20AM on your court date. Then, go past the courtrooms to the 2nd or 3rd window of the row of windows on your right. A worker will behind the window. Be Very, Very Nice To Her! Hand her your summons and tell her that you wish to see the "white sheet". She will take a minute or so and return with a white piece of paper that looks just like your summons. On the back, though, on three lines, will be a narrative account from the police officer on what it is that you allegedly did. Copy this down verbatim. Then go into the SAP 1 courtroom.

Since this is the first time you have appeared in this court for this case, you will not be on the calendar. The court clerk will call all of the calendared cases first. Then he will call the summons cases as they wend their way from the window to the courtroom. When your name is called, confidently walk forward and say "(Your name), appearing pro se" (Pronounced "pro-say"). This means you are representing yourself. Tell the judge "I have a motion to make to dismiss the complaint on the ground of facial insufficiency." The judge will look up expectantly. What the fuck do you know?

You should know that before the state can bring you to trial, it must make an accusation against you that is in proper form. This accusation must allege that you committed each and every material element of the offense charged, and must allege specific facts from which a reasonable person could conclude that you indeed violated the law. These are not mere technicalities. They are fundamental rights, designed to put you on notice of the nature of the accusation against you. A summons that fails to allege the proper material elements, or alleges conclusions instead of facts, is "defective on it's face" or "facially insufficient", and must be dismissed.

The basic problem is this: The policeman has not yet been born who is capable of writing every material element of an offense, plus facts to show your commission of that offense, in the tiny writing space provided on the summons. As amazing as it sounds, thousands of cases get dismissed every year, with a waste of millions of dollars in worker hours, simply because the State is too cheap to provide the police with a normal-sized sheet of paper. Your case can be one of them!

The most common omission in "Disorderly Conduct" cases is the failure to properly allege the element of "intent". As with most crimes, disorderly conduct is not just wrongful conduct—it is wrongful conduct plus a wrongful state of mind. For the summons to be valid, it must allege that you engaged in the unlawful conduct "with the intent to cause public inconvenience, annoyance, or alarm, or recklessly created a risk thereof." If this allegation is not made, tell the judge that the complaint is insufficient on it's face in that it fails to allege that you acted with the requisite intent, and persuant to People v. Tarka and People v. Hall, copies of which you have and can offer to the judge, the case must be dismissed.

Let's suppose the white sheet says, for example, that you "intentionally blocked traffic by sitting in the street." Any problem with this? The answer is yes--the same problem. To be convicted of disorderly conduct, you had to <u>intend</u> to engage in the conduct you engaged in-you intended to sit in the street rather than accidentally slipping on a banana peel. But that is a different kind of intent. The intent talked about in <u>Hall</u> and <u>Tarka</u> is the intent with which you committed the intentional conduct--intending to cause public inconvenience or recklessly creating a risk thereof. A white sheet that simply says you did what you did "intentionally" does not comport with the statuatory requirement and should be dismissed.

This is but one common defect in the summons. Sometimes, the white sheet will just recite the law. For example: "At t/p/o [time and place of occurrence] defendant obstruct[ed] vehicular traffic." Here, the police have failed to allege facts by which a reasonable person could conclude that you violated the law. The white sheet just shows a bare legal conclusion. As such, under the Dumas case, it must be dismissed.

There are infinite variations on this theme. Suppose you are charged under subsection

(4), "Disturbing a Lawful Assembly". If the white sheet fails to allege the assembly was a lawful assembly, then a material element of the offense is missing. And if the white sheet alleges the assembly was lawful, this is a bare legal conclusion, unsupported by any facts. Either way, it must be dismissed.

Examine the other allegations in the same manner. If charged under subsection (2), does the complaint allege that you made unreasonable noise? If so, what facts are alleged to show to a judge that you made noise and it was unreasonable noise? Was the gesture obscene? How do you know? How would the judge know? Did the officer allege that you created a hazardous condition? Who was imperiled? How were they imperiled? What evidence does the officer cite to show the act served no "legitimate" purpose? What is a "fact"? What is law? What does it all mean, really?

If you lose your motion to dismiss, you must make some fast choices. You can ask the judge for an Adjournment in Contemplation of Dismissal (ACD). The ACD was explained fully in SHADOW #16 and is almost always a good deal. You should quickly explain that the charge grew out of a demonstration to protest evil and vindicate good; no one was injured; the police overreacted; you have no criminal record, etc. If the judge rejects the ACD, you must either plead guilty or not guilty. If you plead not guilty, a date for trial will be set. If you plead guilty, a small fine and/or community service will probably be assessed.

If you decide to go to trial, you should speak with an attorney, even if you want to represent yourself. Trials, even simple ones, are sufficiently complicated and individualized so that no advice columnist should attempt to provide guidance. Work up to trials gradually, by trying your hand at these motions. That's why they call it the "practice" of law!

ANY LEGAL QUESTIONS? SEND YOURS TO "DOWN BY LAW", c/o THE SHADOW, P.O.BOX 20298, NEW YORK, N.Y. 10009





MAY 1--5TH ANNUAL SQUATTER MAYDAY--Plenty of live music, featuring the False Prophets, Moogie and the Rhythm Kings, political awareness and fun, one year after the pig riot in the park. At Tompkins Square Park, St. Marx and Avenue A, from Noon till ???? For info, call A-Central at (212)674-0581.

MAY 3-4--INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE FOR AUTO-FREE CITIES--Grassroots activists, researchers and public officials from around the world construct auto-free possibilities and solutions in workshops. May 3: At 100 Washington Square East. May 4: At 40 West 4th Street. Both days' events begin at 8:30AM. For info, call (212)226-7171.

MAY 3-5--ABC NO RIO BENEFIT CONCERT--Support your community performance space, which is always under threat of extinction by the city. At 156 Rivington Street. For info, call (212)254-3697.

MAY 4--18TH ANNUAL FIFTH AVENUE POT PARADE--Get HIGH at the one and only original Pot Parade, with live bands and surprise celebrity speakers. Rally at high noon in Washington Square Park. March will proceed up Fifth Avenue to Sheep's Meadow in Central Park. For info, call (212)533-8308. Not to be confused with any other pot parades!!

MAY 4--HISTORIC UNION SQUARE--Slide presentation and discussion on Union Square Park's long history as a focal point of labor protest and radical agitation. At the Roundabout Theater, 100 East 17th St., 1:00PM. For info, call (212)998-8631.

MAY 4-BENEFIT CONCERT FOR THE DOLPHINS PROJECT--With Steve Halpern, Olive & the Branch, and others. At the Penta Hotel grand ballroom, 34th St.& 7th Ave, 9:45 PM. \$15 admission goes to dolphin preservation.

MAY 5--ROCK AGAINST RACISM--Lots of free live music devoted to crushing racism. At the Central Park bandshell, at approximately the 72nd St. entrance, from Noon--????

MAY 5--WOMEN OF GAIA--An exploration of eco-feminism at Wetlands, corner of Hudson & Laight Streets, just below Canal St, 5:00PM. For info, call (212)966-4225.

MAY 10--POPE POT TRIAL--Support the Pope as he fights the gov't's attempt to railroad him for using pot as his holy sacrament. At 111 Centre St., 8th Floor, Part 72, 9:30AM.

MAY 10--PEACEMAKING IN A WORLD OF CONFLICTED CULTURES--Discussion with J.P.Lederach of Nicaragua's Conciliation Committee, who helped negotiate peace between Sandinista government and Miskito Indians, on failure of diplomacy in Persian Gulf. At Friend's Meeting House, 15 Rutherford Place (15th St., bet. 2nd & 3rd Avenues).

MAY 11--5TH ANNUAL CITY LORE FESTIVAL OF FILM & VIDEO--Featuring films and video on racism, environment, AIDS, censorship. At NYU's Tishman Auditorium, ent on MacDougal St., bet. 3rd & 4th Streets, from 10AM-11PM. For info, call (212)529-1955.

MAY 12--GATT TEACH-IN--On the General Agreements on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), and how they mean ecological destruction from the Arctic to Amazonia. At Wetlands, corner of Hudson & Laight Streets, at 5:00PM. For info, call (212)966-4225.

MAY 13-14-BLACK NATIONALISM & THE AFRICAN LIBERATION MOVEMENT-Discussion with former prisoner of war and Black Panther Safiya Bukhari, Deborah Olugabala of the Black Liberation Army, and Sekou Owush, NY co-ordinator of the Republic of New Afrika's provisional gov't. For location, call the Learning Alliance at (212)226-7171. Sliding scale cost--no one turned away.

MAY 17-19--MALCOLM X CONFERENCE--Sponsored by the Black Consciousness Movement. At Medgar Evers College, Brooklyn. For info, call (718)712-5447.

MAY 19--RAINBOW FAMILY PICNIC--The Rainbow Family's annual Spring celebration. Bring good vibes, musical instruments and some food to add to this huge potluck picnic. Drumming circles, dancing, herb, and more!! In Central Park, next to Sheep's Meadow, not far from the bandshell, just follow the signs. From Noon till ????

MAY 19--WETLANDS RAINFOREST ACTION GROUP--Discusses tropical deforestation and threats to survival of natives in Malaysia and Indonesia. At Wetlands, corner Hudson & Laight Streets, 7:00PM. For info, call (212)966-4225.

MAY 20--RAINBOW FAMILY BENEFIT--All proceeds go to the Wandering Lotus kitchen at this year's gathering in New England. Live bands to be announced. At Wetlands, corner Hudson & Laight Streets, at 7:30PM. \$6.00 admission. For info, call (212)966-4225.

MAY 22--WHAT DO WE DO WHEN THE TROOPS COME HOME?--Discussion with reps from Vietnam Veterans Against the War (the <u>real</u> one--Ed.), Viet Vets Memorial Commission, Black Vets for Social Justice, and Women Vets Liaison. For location, call the Learning Alliance at (212)226-7171.

MAY 23--BUILDING THE ANARCHIST MOVEMENT--Discussion and workshop led by the Living Theater Collective. At Workmen's Circle, 369 Eighth Ave.(corner 29th St.), 7:30PM. For info, call (212)979-8353.

MAY 27--LOWER EAST SIDE MUSIC FESTIVAL--Set up by Housing Is A Human Right, with Salsa, Jazz, Rock, Folk, and more. All sorts of literature tables welcome to participate. At Tompkins Square Park, St. Marx Place and Avenue A, from Noon till 8:00PM.

JUNE 2--HOUSING & THE NEW WORLD ORDER--Conference workshops on housing alternatives and struggles in the 90s, sponsored by RAGE-ON!(Revolt Against Gentrification Erasing Our Neighborhood!). At All-Craft Center, 25 St. Marx Place, Noon-8:00PM. For info, call (212)713-5743.

JUNE 4--FLAG BURNING SENTENCING--Show your opposition to the war as Judge Sand sentences RCPers Joe Urgo and Shawn Eichman for trying to burn the Amerikkkan flag atop the Times Square recruiting station. At 40 Centre Street, Room 601, 10:00AM.

JUNE 10--WELCOME HOME PARADE FOR THE TROOPS IN THE PERSIAN GULF--Line the parade route from Wall Street up Broadway and let the stormtroopers know how you feel about shooting unarmed fleeing Iraqi soldiers in the back and hitting civilian targets. For info, call (212)374-6244 9AM-5PM Mon-Fri. MAKE MONEY SELLING THE SHADOW!! You keep 25 cents for each copy you sell. Homeless persons keep full cover price. Inquire at A-CENTRAL BOOKS, 208 East 7th Street, or call (212)674-0581.

GIVE THE GOVT A PIECE OF YOUR MIND!! Call them directly at:

The White House--(202)456-1111
The State Department--(202)647-6575

The Senate/House of Representatives--(202)224-3121

WHY DID U.S. AMBASSADOR TO IRAQ APRIL GLASPIE TELL SADDAM HUSSEIN THAT THE U.S. WOULD NOT GET INVOLVED IF HE INVADED KUWAIT? Write to her at: U.S. Department of State, 2201 C Street, NW, Washington, DC 20520.

HELP BANKRUPT THE "WELCOME HOME" TROOPS PARADE!! Everytime you call their toll free number at: 1-800-382-7000, it costs them at least \$1.00. The real fun is making false pledges from non-existent people!! You can also tell them what you think of America's "Heroes" who shot fleeing Iraqis in the backs and bombed civilian targets!!

TO REPORT HARRASSMENT OF PEOPLE OPPOSING THE WAR--Call the Center for Constitutional Rights at (212)614-6464.

TO REPORT ATTACKS ON ARAB-AMERICANS--Call Arab Anti-Defamation League at 1-800-347-HATE.

FOR RECORDED PREVIEWS OF PRESIDENTIAL PRESS RELEASES, call the White House Press Room at 1-800-420-9090.

FREE SPEECH SPEAKOUTS--Every Friday night at the St. Marx entrance to Tompkins Square Park, from 7PM till ???? Come and listen to the latest news, and speak for as long as you like on any subject.

TOMPKINS SQUARE LEGAL DEFENSE COMMITTEE--has kept track of those arrested during political demonstrations and pig riots in order to get them legal representation and out of jail. This is just some of what they do to help individuals and groups involved in the struggle for justice on the Lower East Side. They need volunteers and funds to help cover costs incurred by movement lawyers who work free of charge, and to set up a bail fund to get activists out immediately. Please write or send donations to: P.O.Box 20723, New York, N.Y. 10009, or call (212)969-0185.

GAY AND LESBIAN ROLLER SKATING--Tuesdays at the ROXY, 515 West 18th Street, 8:00PM.

SAVE THE ANIMALS/SAVE THE EARTH Hotline: (212)642-8180. For info, write to P.O.Box 1723, FDR Station, New York, N.Y. 10150-1723.

UNDERGROUND/POLITICAL/ALTERNATIVE VIDEO NIGHT--Wednesday nights at A-CENTRAL BOOKS, 208 East 7th Street, 8:00PM. For info, call (212)674-0581. Donations gratefully accepted.

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES Direct action to protest Dept of traffic decision to close Queensboro Bridge bike lane. Bikers meet Mondays at 6:00PM on Manhattan side of bridge at 59th St. For info, call (212)941-4600.

WHAM (Women's Health Action and Mobilization) meets Wednesdays at 224 West 4th St. at 6:30PM. For info, call (212)713-5966, or write P.O.Box 733, New York, N.Y. 10009.

TRANS-SPECIES UNLIMITED Animal rights group meets on the second Tuesday of each month at the Sacred Heart Church, 457 West 51st St. at 7:00PM.

ACT-UP (AIDS Coalition To Unleash Power) meets Mondays at the Gay + Lesbian Center, 208 West 13th St. at 7:30-11:00PM.

VIGIL FOR PEACE IN THE MIDEAST--Wednesdays on Fifth Ave, near 50th St, from Noon-2:00PM. For info, call Peace-In-The-Gulf Action Line at (212)475-7159.

WOMEN IN RAGE AND PASSION FOR PEACE (WRPP)--Wednesday vigils at the Times Square recruiting station, 5:30-7:30PM. Bring pots and pans as noisemakers. For info, call (718)786-5657.

GAY MEN'S HEALTH CRISIS (GMHC)--Holds seminars every Tuesday at 129 West 20th St, at 7:00PM. For info, call (212)807-6655.

HOUSING NOW! HOTLINE--For up to date news on housing events, legislation, and actions. Call (212)316-7544.

RECYCLABLES NOW BEING COLLECTED--At new recycling center in lot at 211 East 7th Street, between Avenue B + C, across from A-CENTRAL Books.

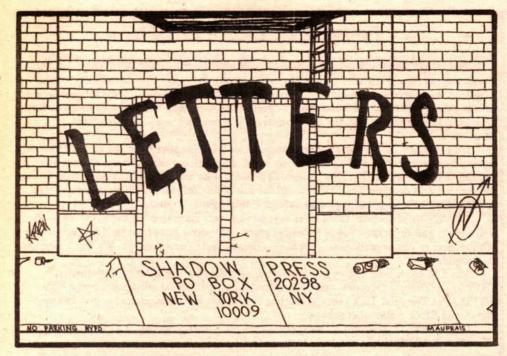
FREE CLOTHING AVAILABLE FOR HOMELESS AND SQUATTERS--At A-CENTRAL Books, 208 East 7th Street, 1:00-6:00PM, or call (212)674-0581.

UNDERGROUND PRESS REVIEWS--On WBAI Radio (99.5FM), the first and third Monday of every month at 11:45PM, with the station's resident Anarchist Peter Lamborn Wilson.

ABC NO RIO COMMUNITY SPACE--Open to groups for performance, meetings, info center, etc. Write to at 156 Rivington St., New York, N.Y. 10002, or call (212)254-3697.

HANDS OFF! MILITARY RESISTANCE SUPPORT GROUP--For military personnel opposing the war, reservists refusing to go to the Persian Gulf. At 111 East 14th St., Rm 132, New York, N.Y. 10003, or call (212) 475-6647. Counselling also available from the War Resisters League at (212)288-0450.

NATIVE AMERICAN NEWS--Weekly radio show hosted by Troy Lang of the Solidarity Foundation, on WBAI Radio (99.5FM), Mondays at 8:30PM.



SHADOW,

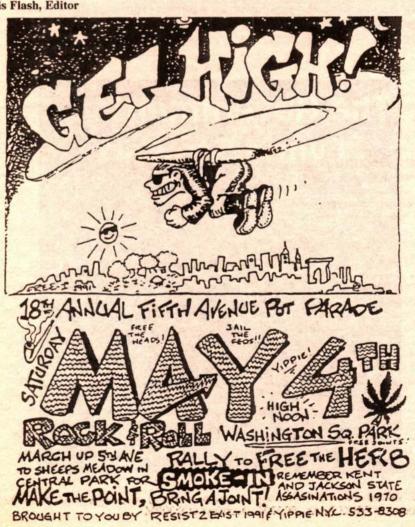
We did demonstrations against the media here, which included bashing a couple of TV sets publicly. The only criticism I had was that people's analysis of television was rather faulty. They objected to censorship of news and ownership of news by megadeath corporations, yet I would have liked more people defying media and television itself as an agent of social control. Similarly, I'd like more people to make connections between the media's picture taking at demos and those photos becoming part of our government files or leading to our arrest when the police need someone to blame.

It's interesting to know that the same scoundrels you mentioned in your "Who's Who in The Anti-War Movement?" (See SHADOW #16--Ed.) are the same ones constantly plaguing us. Most of them are in Houston, at a safe distance. Nevertheless, we've had serious confrontations with WWP (Workers' World Party--Ed.) fronts. I am not sure if the Black United Front (BUF) are part of their circle or just do their dirty work, but both the BUF and the ADC were on the Anarchists hard at the anti-IMF (International Monetary Fund--Ed.) demos in Houston. They tried to shut us up in every way they could, but we were not stifled easily! The SWP (Socialist Workers' Party--Ed.) are annoying, but have a lot of influence among the left in Austin now that Solidarity seems to have disappeared. Watch out for their State Coalition Against Apartheid (they probably have a similar group in New York). I went to one of their meetings and was the only non-SWP member apart from their guest speaker from the ANC. The RCP (Revolutionary Communist Party--Ed.) have recently moved here and taken over one anti-war group, Youth Against Militarism (YAM). I think they'd like their cut of SAW (Students Against War), but haven't been too successful as far as I know. Supposedly, they are exploiting the homeless issue. I want to get involved with some homeless action groups, but I don't want anything to do with the RCP. had a brief infatuation with NBAU (No Business As Usual--Ed.) in 1988 and know better now. The most poisonous group listed is the Campaign For Peace in the Middle East. They are actively dominating demonstrations, stifling Anarchist or militant opinions. Many people are afraid to take action because even if you escaped the cops the Campaign people would be sure to turn you in.

I hate all of this alphabet soup stuff, but as you said, you have to "know who you are really getting involved with". For me this means I go to actions as an Anarchist and try to do things with other anoks. Some people see this as sectarian, but I'm honest about where I'm coming from.

S.G., Austin, Texas

From the tactics you described, it seems that you are mistaking the peacenick "Campaign for Peace in the Middle East" with the violent, militant WWP front "Coalition To Stop U.S. Intervention in the Middle East". WWP methods include physically attacking members of any group that marches with their front groups, who demonstrate in any way not approved by the rulers of the party. Unfortunately, due to the similarity of names, the two groups are often confused, so it is important that we explain the difference wherever possible. Chris Flash, Editor



Dear SHADOW,

I'd like to tell you about the Holy Experiment, an Anarchist youth monthly paper I write for and edit, and what's been happening in Central/South Jersey.

We now have six people, all between the ages of 15-17 years working on the Holy Experience, and many readers send in news and articles. Since the birth of our paper, we've been met with a fair amount of trouble in Freehold-hate mail, phone calls, packages of dog shit, the usual. The great conservative current that is Freehold/Monmouth County actually creates a stronger sense of purpose for this paper.

In January, seven students and I performed guerilla theater at the huge Freehold Raceway Mall as a protest against capitalism's war. A lot of right wing fascist pigs booed and hurled obscenities, but a good number did show interest and took literature. Some even joined the activity. Although "security" threw us out after ten minutes, our statement was made, and it was a positive experience.

Last month, Holy Experiment writers joined with students from two high school environmental groups to educate people against a giant incinerator planned for Tinton Falls, N.J. We went door to door, distributing leaflets on the health and safety issues of the incinerator, along with ways they could oppose this state-funded corporate monster. Please print our address, along with our request that New Jersey Anarchist groups/like-minded individuals contact us in reference to forming an information network on NJ squatting, pig brutality, etc. Also, an issue of Holy Experiment can be obtained by sending us two 29 cent stamps for postage.

H.J, Editor THE HOLY EXPERIMENT P.O.Box 6573, Freehold, NJ 07728

Dear SHADOW,

Just to let you know my bias, I am a supporter of the Left Greens. I was a participant in the breakaway march after the demo at Macy's on Feb.17th (See "National Kampaign for Peace in the Mid-East Marches on Macy's" in SHADOW #16--Ed.). I found it horrible that the crowd was so passive and the police so completely in control. If the cops had decided to march us into railroad boxcars and ship us off to prison camps, would we have gone? I wonder.

I enjoyed the activities of the breakaway march, but after a while it seemed sort of pointless, throwing trash around isn't going to stop the war anymore than passive, obedient demonstrations will, in my opinion.

I would also like to offer a friendly criticism. I noticed a couple of times that the group from SAW (Students Against War--Ed.) were uncomfortable about the trashing and my feeling is that, since they started the demo, their wishes should have been respected by the rest of us. At the very least, there should have been a discussion about tactics during the march.

One last point, trashing is caused by frustration and political isolation. I found the article about elements of ACT-UP taking up the gun or whatever dismaying (See "Gays Point Finger of Death at Sen. Jesse Helms" in SHADOW #16-Ed.). This will only play into the hands of the state and emphasize how marginal groups like ACT-UP are. In my opinion, there is a real need for education and self-education in the Anarchist movement. Isolated action is not enough, anger is not enough, the separation between thought and feeling must be overcome as much as possible. I don't want to start throwing quotes around, but where is "the new world that we carry here in our hearts that is growing this minute" to paraphrase Durruti?

I haven't met very many people in the Anarchist sub-culture that have an awareness of this, that thought is as important as action, that you must know what you are fighting for.

@ friend

Dear Nashua,

You made a mistake when you wrote that unemployment benefi are paid only to people who are fired. (See "Tompkins Square Neighborhood Coalition Creep Susan Lee Like Convicted of Fraud" in SHADOW #16--Ed.) In fact, people can receive benefits for a number of reasons: if the job gets you sick, if you can't work the hours the boss wants you to work, if you lost your means to get to the job. And let's not forget about hard business times, like now. Being let go because there's no work is not the same as being fired. In fact, people who get fired may find the hardest time getting unemployment checks! So please check your facts in the future. David Raisman, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear David,

I wasn't writing an article about how to get Unemployment Insurance, but rather an article on Susan Lee Like's misuse of the unemployment system for her own ends. Nashua

Dear SHADOW,

I noticed several ads regarding pure urine for use to beat drug testing. The last test I took at Plant Hatch, an ugly old nurse held the cup for me while advising, "Georgia Power requires a full sample". I dampened her fingers as she exclaimed, "I didn't mean that full!"

G.W.Brown, Editor THE WHISTLEBLOWER

Dear SHADOW,

Homeless people here are fucking pissed off at the authorities and are looking for ideas.

Our friends(?) the National Union of the Homeless are back sniffing around, doing their same shit.

So the Democratic Convention is coming your way in 1992. Let's get down! Days of Rage in the 90s!

M.L, San Francisco, CA

Dear SHADOW,

If we all keep up the sparks, the fire will,

ignite, then we fan the flames that will burn this shit fuck system down....hopefully. Morning Dew, Florida

PRISONER MAIL:

SHADOW,
Your efforts and struggles are a great source of inspiration for me in here and I wish much success to all the sisters and brothers out there who are willing to take the squatter cause to the street!

I am presently doing time in one of King George's gulags and I have realized that this is the government's solution to it's social problems, this is the "final solution" to those who want to remain free in this society. Keep up the good work and never give up what is yours.

In Solidarity,
James Armstrong #04617-051
Federal Correctional Institution
Box 1000 Oxford, WI 53952-1000

Dear SHADOW,

Recently, it was announced that the subway fare might rise to \$1.50.

As money is always instantly available in a wartime economy, Staten Island must be secretly encouraged to secede by floating rumors that the City Council would treat any act of secession as being "a purely internal affair of Staten Islanders".

War would then be declared against the seceding republic at which point at least \$54 billion (cost of the Gulf War) would be instantly available for military expenditures. To demonstrate our good faith, we would of course launch one of two MX Missles from atop the World Trade Center into the seceding republic.

Having thereby solemnly honored our military obligations against Staten Island's aspiring new Hitler, a ceasefire would then follow and we would keep the remainder of the \$54 billion as a not unreasonable consolation prize to subsidize the subways.

Discovery,

J. Arthur Pretzelburger

NATIONAL SECURITY STATE UNDERMINES CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS

By Paul DeRienzo and Bill Weinberg

A little-known fact is that in times of war the President has the power to restrict the civil rights of U.S. citizens and others living in this country. During the Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln had opponents jailed without charges and closed newspapers critical of his handling of the war.

President Woodrow Wilson's Attorney General A. Mitchell Palmer rounded up thousands of anti-war activists in the years after World War I, deporting many well known leaders such as Emma Goldman and "Big Bill" Haywood to the Soviet Union.

During the Vietnam War, the FBI undertook the massive CONINTELPRO program of intelligence gathering, infiltration and murder of civil rights and anti-war activists. The CIA was also implicated through its infiltration of the student anti-war movement.

The role of Chicago Police in the 1969 murder of Black Panther Party leader Fred Hampton was exposed by a Commission of Inquiry headed by civil rights activist Roy Wilkins and former Attorney General Ramsey Clark in their book, Search and Destroy. The authors write: "Many may simply refuse to believe officials are capable of unlawful violence. Others will believe such violence and support it. But surely most Americans will not knowingly accept police lawlessness. If official violence is to be renounced, the truth must finally overcome our natural reluctance to incriminate government."

On August 2nd, 1991, as Saddam Hussein consolidated his grip over Kuwait, President George Bush signed an Executive Order declaring a "National Security Emergency" within the U.S. That order and others enacted in the following months began a process of gradual imposition of restrictions on civil rights.

The Movement Support Network (MSN) is an anti-repression project of the Center for Constitutional Rights set up in 1984 to investigate FBI infiltration of the Sanctuary movement, the so-called "New Underground Railroad" for refugees fleeing the violence in Central America. The MSN has recently published an incident list of intelligence gathering and harassment related to the Persian Gulf War.

Anti-Arab "McCarthyism"?

The most common harassment comes in the form of FBI visits to the homes and workplaces of hundreds of Arab Americans. According the the MNS, the FBI is acting under the "illegal assumption" that merely because of their ethnicity, Arab Americans may be involved in terrorism.

In one case reported to the MSN in February, FBI agents approached the top security officer at a nuclear facility in northern California to ask about an Arab American nuclear engineer. The engineer was questioned about his work and whether he had been approached by terrorist groups.

The FBI has also used the pretext of investigating the recent wave of anti-Arab hate crimes to pry Arab Americans for information about their political views and alleged links to terrorism. FBI agents recently visited a Lebanese American in Hollywood, stating that they wanted to protect him, but instead questioned him about his political activities.

Several Arab American shopkeepers on Brooklyn's Atlantic Avenue have also been questioned, as have Palestinian students on campuses fron coast to coast. In January, one Palestinian was actually removed from a classroom at a San Francisco community college for questioning by FBI agents.

Ironically, after an FBI visit had drawn attention to an Iraqi American in San Francisco, his family became targets of anti-Arab violence, leading to hospitalizations. One Iraqi American shopkeeper in Brooklyn was detained for two hours on January 23 and threatened with immigration sanctions.

The CIA, exercising its new power to engage in domestic intelligence-gathering, granted under the Reagan administration (in violation of the 1947 National Security Act), has also been involved in the investigation of Arab American students. In September, CIA agents approached a University of Connecticut official for a list of all foreign students at the University. The school was also asked for the students' country of origin, major field of study, and the names of their academic advisers. An agent said the CIA intended to open a file on each student, focusing on students from the Middle East.

The FBI has also directly targeted anti-war activists. Several families of military reservists who had begun conscientious objectors applications were visited by the FBI in December.

In September, a New York group which had been organizing support for military resister Jeff Paterson reported a break-in. A Chicago group, The Middle East Peace Coalition, also reported a break-in last December at a building used by several anti-war groups. On February 5, a week after its first national conference, the office of the National Student Campaign for Peace in Washington DC was broken into. Break-ins were a favorite tactic of the FBI during COINTELPRO.

The MSN reports intense surveillance and harassment of travelers at airports by Customs agents and police. Often these incidents are the result of profiles that target anyone who doesn't fit the government's conception of a "normal" citizen. Incidents include one in New York in February, when an Iranian citizen with permanent residence in the U.S. was detained and interrogated for two hours after returning from Europe.

Airport harassments haven't been limited to international flights. In Denver, shortly after the bombing of Iraq had begun, an Arab American woman waiting for a domestic flight was told she would not be allowed on the flight without proof of U.S. citizenship. Racial stereotyping seems to be at the heart of many of these airport incidents. In November, security agents for Northwestern Airlines stopped passengers who looked Arab and questioned them about their occupations.

Pan Am has announced a policy of refusing to carry anyone travelling under an Iraqi passport, a move denounced by the American-Arab Relations Committee as "McCarthyism all over again." The Federal Aviation Administration has put the nation's 435 airports and 114 airlines on a "Level 4" security alert, the highest there is.

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has also been active in harassment of anti-war activists, a reprise of their Vietnam-era role in doing the administration's dirty work. In October, a freelance journalist who interviewed Jeff Paterson was investigated by the military and afterwards received notice from the IRS that he was being audited. In New York City, a Jewish peace group was told by the IRS that their application for non-profit status was being handled directly by the Washington DC office instead of through local offices.

The MNS also reports numerous cases of phone tampering at offices of anti-war groups and threats left on answering machines of the MNS and other groups involved in anti-war litigation.

Federal Snoops in New York City

The group CISPES (Committee in Solidarity with the People of El Salvador) has long been targeted for surveillance by the FBI, and had offices broken into in the mid-1980's, the height of the movement against U.S. intervention in Central America. With all eyes focused on the Persian Gulf, CISPES continues to protest the escalating violence and human rights abuses in El Salvador -- and has been the target of a renewed campaign of federal intimidation.

On February 15, five CISPES activists and one photographer from the Impact Visuals agency were arrested by FBI agents during a civil disobedience action at the Salvadoran consulate in New York City. The charges of "intimidating and threatening an official foreign officer" are still pending, but CISPES sees the use of this federal law as a mere expedient justification for having the approximately 15 federal agents on hand.

CISPES spokesperson Adam Flint says he was "very surprised" by the presence of the FBI agents and the imposition of federal charges. "It's never happened in New York before with respect to our organization. We have a long record of nonviolence. We don't threaten or intimidate."

The FBI has a long history of cooperation with the New York Police Department (NYPD) on "counter-terrorist" and drug enforcement operations, most notably the FBI-NYPD Joint Terrorist Task Force which has been involved in campaigns against Puerto Rican and Black Nationalist groups.

On January 11, with war looming mere days away, this cooperation was stepped up as the FBI and NYPD held a two-hour Metropolitan Security Seminar attended by representatives of most of the city's major businesses and transportation administrators, including the Transit Authority, Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Authority, Port Authority, Rockefeller Center, New York Stock Exchange, AT&T, Citicorp, Phillip Morris, Macy's, ABC, NBC, CBS, and the major airlines.

At the meeting, NYPD Commissioner Lee Brown outlined the workings of the Joint Terrorist Task Force, and announced that a section of the NYPD's "War Room" command center at 1 Police Plaza would be used to monitor terrorist threats in the city. The command center, which few New Yorkers had previously known about, was described in news reports of the meeting as panelled with large video screens displaying computer maps of the city -- a sort of small-scale version of the ultra-secretive War Room in the Pentagon, depicted in Stanley Kubrick's movie Dr. Strangelove, or the Air Force's North American Aerospace Defense, sequestered under Mt. Cheyenne in Colorado.

NYPD Headquarters at 1 Police Plaza also houses the nerve center of the New York City Office of Emergency Management, the city agency linked to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), and charged with coordinating response to anything from inner-city riots to nuclear war. The New York State National Guard Division of Naval & Military Affairs also runs a State Emergency Management Office (SEMO), headquartered in Albany and poised to respond to state-wide crises.

The Office of Emergency Mangement was involved in a police action in the immediate prelude to the war -- but the action had nothing to do with combatting terrorism. On December 4, 1990, 52 mostly Latino squatter families in the South Bronx associated with a self-help organization known as the Inner City Press were forcibly evicted from their homes by the NYPD.

In order to carry out the eviction, hundreds of riot police supported by fire engines, buses, communication vehicles and ambulances descended onto the block. In addition to the police vehicles, there was a high-tech bus from the City Office of Emergency Management. The bus sported a remote control video camera mounted on its roof, which seemed to be taping the entire operation.

The NYPD has links to the CIA as well as the FBI and FEMA. In 1986, The New York Times reported that the CIA was recruiting NYPD personnel for covert operations abroad. Then NYPD Commissioner Benjamin Ward told the Times that then CIA Director Bill Casey "informed us that the CIA was interested in hiring...police officers who had backgrounds in handling undercover operations or who had been undercover operators themselves." Counter-terrorism activities were specifically cited, and one NYPD spokesperson said that over 200 detectives and investigators in "special units" had expressed interest in the CIA jobs.

Seventeen other major municipal police departments had also been reportedly targeted for recruitment by the CIA, including those of Los Angeles and Philadelphia.

In light of this record, many anti-war activists are now wondering if "national security" isn't as much of a euphemism for domestic repression as "collateral damage" is for civilian casualties.

The Government vs. Lynne Stewart

The Village Voice has learned that outspoken leftist lawyer Lynne F. Stewart—who got Larry Davis acquitted on cop-shooting charges—last week became the first New York attorney to be indicted by a grand jury on a felony contempt charge for refusing to turn informant against a reputed heroin kingpin.

Stewart had been summoned before a grand jury by special narcotics prosecutor Sterling Johnson Jr. as part of the government's ongoing harassment of attorneys who defend drug suspects. She was asked how her client Dominick Maldonado's defense was bankrolled and how much she was pald to represent him. (Maldonado was subsequently convicted on drug charges and sentenced to 100 years to life in prison.)

When Stewart refused to cooperate, Johnson had her indicted for first-degree criminal contempt. This is a personal vendetta, charges Stewart, who has represented myrlad unpopular clients

"I feel that I was set up by the special narcotics prosecutor, since he already had the information," she adds. If convicted, Stewart, who will act as her own attorney at her April 17 arraignment, could lose her license to practice. Johnson, who has been nominated to the federal bench, wouldn't comment.

Peter No



SUNSHINE, GLORIOUS SUNSHINE LIFE IN THE BOWERY'S SUNSHINE HOTEL

"Yer bed is on the third foor," gruffed the stubbled desk clerk, "the television is for cash customers only!" Such is the introduction for referrals from the HRA's ("Human Resources" Administration's) Shelter Care Center For Men"s so-called "Ticketmen".

The introduction, however, is nothing compared to the scene which assails the eye upon entering the "dormitory", a spectacle which might easily have been painted by Hieronymous Bosch or Hogarth or any presenter of social "grotesquerie".

Into an area measuring not much more than 1200 sq. feet are crammed no fewer than 52 beds, giving an average space per bed of 20 sq. feet! Three 40-watt bulbs "illuminate" the stygian gloom, and of the two water closets (toilets) provided, one is seemingly permanently out of order.

All clients must be off the premises daily by 8 AM, all seasons, regardless of weather conditions, and may not return until 3 PM. (Violation of this rule incurs the much-dreaded 30-day "cancellation", whereby the offender is barred from staying at the location for that period of time). No towels are provided, and linens on an intermittent basis, in violation of the "Callahan Consent Decree". For this "service", the city and state pay the private landlord \$307.00 per referral per month (considerably more than he can get from his paying guests)!

The "maximum permitted occupancy" regulations of Section 66-5 of New York State's Multiple Dwellings Law (the fountainhead legislation for these classes of establishments) stipulate no more than 22 persons for each exit door and no more than 20 for each "lawful" fire escape per floor, giving a total of no more than 42 for this particular floor. Under the law, inspectional authority to ensure compiance is given to the municipality (in New York's case this is the Department of Buildings), which is mandated to inspect "at least" once every three months!

Historically, perhaps paradoxically, establishments of this type did have a bona-fide economic justification for their existence in that they did provide rudimentary cheap lodgings for the "reserve pool" of labor up until about the mid-1970's. However, after the alarming, if temporary, depletion of this pool during the Vietnam era, the new immigration policies helped to contribute to the demise of most of these establishments.

In the mid-1980's, the Housing and Resources Administration (HRA) made some of these spaces a virtual extension of the shelter system, expending upwards of \$750,000.00 annually on the above-described location alone.

After the recent mass removals from Bellevue shelter, those clients who resisted transportation upstate (to "Camp LaGuardia") or referral to the Manhattan Bowery Corporation's "program" (all referrals are restricted to the premises at 8 East 3rd Street for a period of 30 days) were placed in establishments such as described above. "Old-timers" in the neighborhood, going back 25-30 years, can never recall such overcrowding with all it's attendent sanitary, health, and public safety problems directly attributable to it (including the Tuberculosis epidemic).

Efforts to contact the landlord, who would seem to be engaged in an exercise of "parcel assemblage", have thus far, been unsuccessful. ("He's on his winter vacation.") Requests to the relevant city agencies for information on, and clarification of, the situation remain unanswered.

SHELTER WATCHER

HIT AND RUN!! TRAFFIC PIGS HIT LEGALLY PARKED CARS IN SNEAK ATTACK

By Anne Archy

Under cover of darkness, on Monday night, March 25th, one of the parking signs on the south side of East 4th Street between Avenues A and B, was inexplicably replaced. The new sign prohibited parking between 8:00 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, despite the fact that all the other signs on that side of the street prohibited parking between 11:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M.

At 10:40 A.M. on Tuesday, March 26th, a police officer was observed issuing tickets to cars parked in the newly-created restrictive zone, and at 10:50 A.M., a Department of Transportation truck appeared on the scene to tow away the "offending vehicles".

This scenario has been repeated on selected streets all over the Lower East Side. Unfortunately for people with cars parked, no official notice was given in advance from the Sanitation Department, which later claimed they were changing street cleaning schedules and therefore needed to change the parking signs. No notice came from Community Board 3 either, though they had been informed by the Sanitation Department and had the ability to oppose the sudden changes.

Numerous telephone calls were made to the Departments of Transportation and Sanitation by a neighborhood resident who was told that a contract had been given -- with Community Board 3 approval -- to change all of the alternate-side-of-the-street parking signs on the block. When contacted, Community Board 3 denied any knowledge of such a contract.

The SHADOW later found that the contract did, indeed, exist and that it had been awarded to United Fence, 25 Mill Road, Ronkonkoma, New York. Jack Connors, the Controller of United Fence, at first categorically insisted that his firm had done "no work in Manhattan for the City of New York in over a year" and then -- in the next breath -- volunteered that he "does whatever (the City) tells (him) to do." Community Board 3 claims they never heard of United Fence.

According to the Official Directory of the City of New York, Community Boards "play an advisory role ... in community planning ... and in the coordination of municipal services." Obviously, there is a serious lack of coordination in the delivery of municipal services to the residents of the Lower East Side. Community Board 3 disclaimed any knowledge of contracts which the Depts. of Transportation and Sanitation insist have been solicited, reviewed, and approved by that board.

PROTEST BASHES CON ED'S GENOCIDAL "JAMES BAY II" POWER CONTRACT!!

By P. Nip

On Friday, April 12, some 300 protestors gathered at the Canadian consulate at noon, located, appropriately enough, in the Exxon building at 1251 Sixth Avenue. Like Exxon, the Canadian utility Hydro-Quebec (H-Q) is destroying the Earth and trampling on the rights of American Indian peoples in order to generate megawatts and mega-profits. The James Bay II power complex, which H-Q wants to build on the rushing rivers of northern Quebec, would flood the last remaining pristine wilderness area in eastern North America, a habitat for such rare species as migratory caribou and freshwater seals. It would also destroy the ancient and self-sufficient traditionat lifestyle of the native peoples who inhabit the region--the Cree Indians and the Inuit (Eskimo).

The construction of this monstrosity would be underwritten by a pending \$20 billion power contract between H-Q and a group of New York State utilities--with our own Con Edison at the forefront. NYC-based corporate pigs such as Merril Lynch and Shearson Lehman are also fronting big bucks for the project.

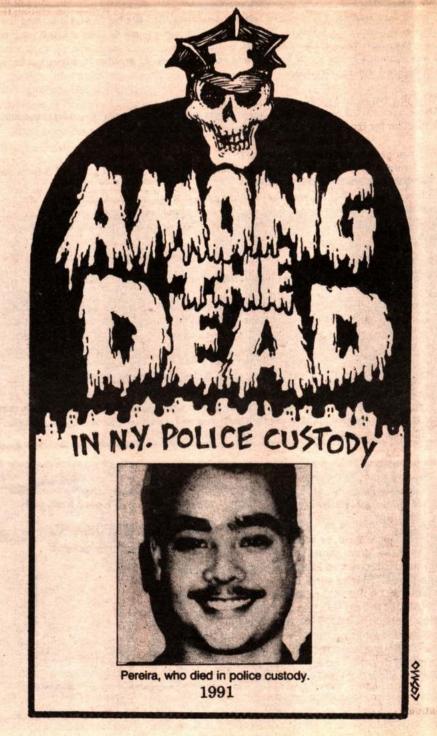
The demonstration, orgainzed by the James Bay Action Team (JABAT), Greenpeace, and the Student Environmental Action Coalition (SEAC), featured Cree Grand Chief Matthew Coon-Come, who flew down from northern Quebec for the day just to speak at the rally. Participants were undaunted by the presence of almost as many cops as protestors. The police presence was total overkill—they even had a big emergency vehicle bristling with communications equipment. There were also several plainclothes police who were very obvious, and who tried to be as hostile, arrogant and intimidating as possible when approached. All this for an entirely peaceful demonstration!

After an hour or so at the Exxon building, the protestors marched down Broadway to Union Square, one block west of Con Ed's headquarters, where the Rock Against Racism sound crew provided amplification for more speakers and musicians who played for the usual afternoon lunch-break crowd. The procession down Broadway was highlighted by brightly painted replicas of birds and caribou, and by the Cree delegation which beat drums and chanted as they marched.

The event got more media coverage in Canada than in New York, and was the top news story in Montreal that night. The next day, H-Q finally agreed to reveal the details of secret contracts which it had been supressing through draconian means, even getting a court order which imposed jail sentences for any journalist's reporting on the secret documents. So the New York rally struck a blow for freedom and against censorship in Quebec.

Much work still needs to be done here in New York, though. Organizers are currently trying to pressure Con Ed and other local utilities represented by the New York Power Authority to pull out of the James Bay II deal before the November 30 deadline, after which there would be a multi-million dollar penalty for withdrawing from the contract.

The fate of James Bay lies in the balance, because the New York contract is H-Q's largest by far and without the \$20 billion from our state it is unlikely that H-Q could afford to build the mammoth hydro project. For more info, call the James Bay Action Team at (212) 674-3306.



IRV FISHMAN: VETERAN OF THE ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE

Interviewed by Paul DeRienzo at the Washington, D.C. Anti-War demonstration of January 26, 1991



On January 26, 1991, more than 100,000 people marched in Washington DC against the U.S. war against Iraq. At the head of the march were hundreds of anti-war veterans from Vietnam, Korea and World War II. One group of U.S. veterans whose banner took the lead in the march was the Abraham Lincoln Brigade.

Although composed only of Americans, the Brigade distinguished itself in combat, not as troops fighting under U.S. command, but fighting for the embattled Spanish Republic. While they won no medals from the American army for their heroism in the defense of Spain from fascist forces supported by Nazi Germany, their sacrifice won the Brigade the love of the Spanish people and all enemies of fascism worldwide.

Irv Fishman, twice wounded in Spain, was one of the volunteers who went to Spain in 1937. At the age of 75, he's one of 275 Brigade veterans still living in the United States. He marched in Washington against the Gulf War as he and the Brigade marched against the Vietnam and Korean Wars. Wars he says wasted men and treasure for failed adventures and that today threaten the destruction of whole countries and the deaths of tens of thousands over the control of oil.

Q: What was the Abraham Lincoln Brigade?

A: The Abraham Lincoln Brigade are the American volunteers who fought in Spain on the side of the legally elected Spanish government against the generals of Spain at that time, 1936 to 1939, who revolted against that government.

Had it just been a civil war, then there would not have been an international brigade. The Spanish people would have decided it, but in fact Hitler and Mussolini took a hand in this conflict and supported those rebellious generals with arms and men.

In response to this, 45,000 international volunteers came from 57 different countries. The unit that came from the United States called themselves the Abraham Lincoln Brigade. In total there were some 2800 Americans, which included medical personnel, transport and other services.

Because we were shock troops and wanted to be shock troops, which meant we didn't have much rest between battles, three quarters of us were wounded at least once and 900 of the 2800 died in Spain. That's who the Abraham Lincoln Brigade is.

Q: What was your role as a soldier with the brigade?

A: I was a foot soldier. I was in two actions; one was called the battle of Alamo and the other was the battle for Brunete. These are spanish names, one denotes a small town on a river, the other was a rather larger city and a county.

I was wounded in the battle for Brunete and then spent 11 months in a hospital in Spain before I was repatriated.

Q: Why did you go to Spain?

A: There were varied reasons. In my case it was because I had come to understand and hate fascism for its racist policies and for its anti-labor policies.

Q: Did you have any military experience?

A: No. I volunteered early in the conflict, January of 1937. The first group of Americanswent across on Christmas Day of 1936.

In late February they told me that I could go as a truck driver. I drove some trucks for a while, but I was anxious to fight and the first opportunity I got, I convinced one of the political commissars that I preferred to fight than drive an ambulance, and he agreed.

Q: What was the training like?

A: By the time I got to Spain there was a lull in activity that permitted training. Up until that point it was hectic.

If you can imagine a situation where all the armed services revolt and they're holding armories in all the major cities and the people that fight them and defeat them and kick them out of the armories are ordinary Spanish citizens.

The barbers union went up to the front, they went home first and got whatever guns, hunting guns, blunderbusses, anything that could be fired. The accountants union, association of lawyers, there was a tremendous surge of opposition to the military takeover.

There was little room for training anybody and it wasn't until February or March that the government changed and for the first time you had a unified command and army

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under one military commander. Until then it was bands of these ill-organized citizens in their citizen armies.

I had a training period of about six weeks where I underwent rigorous training in infiltration and trench warfare. We never had much ammuntion and during that six weeks we were limited to three bullets each.

Q: What was the nature of the military action you saw?

A: In Alamo we were in defensive positions defending Madrid against the onslaught of, at that time, Moroccan troops. Let me backtrack a bit.

Franco and the fascist generals revolted in July of 1936, but by August they had been defeated in two-thirds of the big cities in Spain. The only thing that saved them was that Hitler sent transport planes to Morocco and they shipped Moroccan troops to Spain into the territory still held by the rebellious generals.

It was from there that they launched their assault against the rest of their fellow Spaniards. This was a reconquest with foreign troops of Spain which had really defeated the generals at that point.

Q: Were you involved in the famous battle to save Madrid?

A: The democracies initiated a policy of non-intervention and wouldn't sell their fellow democracy (in Spain) arms, and as a result we were outnumbered in firepower seven to one.

By the time I left in July of 1938, we were outnumbered eleven to one. Can you imagine fighting under those kinds of conditions?

We were in defensive positions in Madrid and it held for the next two years.

O: Why did it hold even under those conditions?

A: Motivation on the part of the people defending, lack of motivation on the part of Franco's forces.

I say the world still owes the Spanish people a debt that it has never paid in terms of the resistance to fascism. The prototype of resistance took place in Spain in the years 1936 to 1939.

Q: What role did the International Brigades play in the Civil War?

A: The International Brigades played a fairly decisive role in November of 1936 which was before the Americans got there. It was the German and Italian anti-fascist exiles in France and the French volunteers who helped defend Madrid at that point.

Madrid would have fallen in November 1936 if it hadn't been for the role the International Brigades played there. After that, it was the Spanish army that took over. It was the Spanish people who heroically fought for three years hoping against hope that they could hold out.

Q: When did you return?

A: I returned in July. The Internationals were withdrawn in September of 1938. We left about 60 or so who were prisoners of Franco and they didn't get out until 1939.

Q: What did you do in the United States when you got back from Spain?

A: When I came back in July of 1938, the Republic didn't get defeated until March of 1939, there was a tremendous movement in the United States to sell arms to the Republic and I participated in that.

Q: And in World War II?

A: The Lincoln Brigade volunteered as a unit to serve in the United States army, but they turned us down. They thought we were too radical. They were right, we were too radical, but not too radical to have done a damn good job as the Lincoln Brigade in the American army.

We then went into the army as individuals. Many were 4F, I was one of those, I was wounded in Spain, a knee that I can't bend to this day. So I volunteered and served in the Merchant Marine

Q: Why does the Abraham Lincoln Brigade continue to march in protests like today?

A: There are 275 of us left alive in the United States and we only have posts in New York
City, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Seattle. It isn't our numbers that play a role
today, it's the prestige that has accrued historically. Recognition that if we had been able
to convince the democracies of the world in 1936 to unite against fascism, which had to
happen and didn't until 1940, 1941, World War II might have been prevented.

We've opposed wars that we felt were not in the best interest of the American people. We didn't think the Korean war was in the best interest of the American people.

And how sad it is to comment that there isn't even a single memorial to the Korean war. 50,000 American dead in Korea, and what was that struggle for? For nothing.

We were opposed to the Vietnam war ardently. We marched from 1964 until 1972 when finally the United States ceased its war. Sadly, we have to note with a defeat, but a victory wouldn't have made it any better.

It still would have been a defeat if you think in terms of the thousands killed, wounded, think of the mentally ill, agent orange, think of the material loss to our country. And here we are going into the same thing once again.

This war in the Mideast is Bush's war, it's Bush's answer to the accumulating economic, social problems in the United States. He seeks to divert attention from something that he has no intention and an inability to resolve, namely to lead our people to a better life.

The intervention in the Middle East can benefit neither the Arab peoples in the Middle East, the Jewish people of Israel, nor the American people.

We the veterans don't hold with anybody marching in and taking over another country. We are certainly opposed to Iraq annexing Kuwait. But that could have been stopped with sanctions and other measures that could have been taken on a United Nations basis. A war won't accomplish it and the problems in the Middle East will remain.

These wars are wars of aggression. Obviously they have to be protested and it won't be that long, maybe not in my lifetime, I'm 75, but a better way is going to be found.

REDISTRICTING CONTROVERSY ENGULFS LOWER EAST SIDE

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Asian Americans for Equality (AAFE) is a 16-year old grassroots political group that's based in Chinatown. The group's director, Dolores Koo, says the Multi-racial District

would pit the Asian community against the Latino community. AAFE is supporting the candidacy of Margaret Chin, who was elected the State Committeewoman for the Democratic party from lower Manhattan in 1986 and 1988.

According to Koo, the AAFE plan for a Chinatown district stretching west to Battery Park City "banks a lot on voter behavior in the past which shows that progressive white voters on the west side, minorities from Chinatown and surrounding Chinatown gave decisive votes to David Dinkins, to Judge Peter Tom, gave the decisive victory to Margaret Chin... and Dorothy Chin Brandt who successfully got elected to Civil Court of New York."

AAFE is also linked to events that effect squatters on the Lower East Side through their work with the Local Initiatives Support Corporation, or LISC/Enterprises plan. AAFE was involved in the construction of two buildings on Eldridge Street and one on Avenue C between 6th and 7th Steets.

Richard Wong, a spokesperson for the group, says AAFE is participating in an "upcoming round" of the LISC/Enterprise program. They plan to develop 50 units in six buildings near Rivington and Norfolk Streets.

Under the LISC/Enterprise plan, Antonio Pagan made an attempt last fall to seize squatter-occupied buildings on East 13th St. This plan was fought off by mass demonstrations by squatters and their supporters at Community Board 3 meetings.

LISC/Enterprise is sponsored by the Rockefeller-dominated New York Partnership, which organized a number of corporate and Savings and Loan investors. The aim is to build ostensibly low-income housing that reverts to luxury housing after 10 years.

In a bizarre twist, on April 11, 1991 the New York Post published a vicious, red-baiting editorial entitled, "Will Chinatown elect a Maoist?" It reports that AAFE is a front group for the Communist Workers' Party (CWP). The CWP gained national attention in 1979 when a group of Ku Klux Klansmen murdered five of the group's members in a shootout at an anti-Klan rally in Greensboro, North Carolina. According to the Post, at the time, Margaret Chin was the CWP national spokesperson.

COOPER SQUARE

The Cooper Square Development Committee was formed in the early 1960's in response to a massive state-sponsored urban renewal plan. That plan would have built a major expressway through the heart of the neighborhood and replaced surviving tenement buildings with huge Co-op City style housing projects.

The 1960's urban renewal plan was eventually blocked and Cooper Square won recognition as the oldest and most effective grassroots community organization in the United States. The woman who began Cooper Square and is still considered the power behind the scene in JPC is Francis Goldin.

In past years, JPC's major activity has been implementation of the "three part plan", more popularly known as the "50-50", or "Cross Subsidy" plan. These proposals were negotiated in 1987 with the city's Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD) and provided for a special housing code enforcement office, or Local Enforcement Unit (LEU). The plan also provided for the sale of city-owned property to luxury developers and the use of the funds raised to develop low-income housing.

Cooper Square, a major player in negotiations with HPD, was recently rewarded with its own major redevelopment plum. The city has given the group control of city-owned buildings between 2nd and 3rd Avenues from Houston Street, north to East Fourth Street, as well as more than \$30 million in redevelopment funds.

BACKGROUND

Against this backdrop has come the most sweeping changes in New York City politics in more than a century. Last year, New York voters approved changes in the way that the City will run its affairs into the next century. The City's new Charter does away with the old Board of Estimate that gave equal weight to each of the five boroughs, regardless of their population. That scheme had been thrown out by the United States Supreme Court on the basis that it violated the constitutional guarantee on one person-one vote.

The new Charter gives the powers over land use once held by the Board of Estimate to a City Council that will be enlarged from 35 to 51 districts. The new Charter's provision for an empowered City Council has some people with knowledge of the city's history feeling skeptical.

The last time the city had a strong Council was in the 19th century. It was obvious then that Council members were unable to extend their attention beyond the parochial concerns of their individual districts. The result was a corrupt system of political bosses who bought the Council members responsible for lucrative city contracts.

The system was so corrupt that in 1890, when the city of Brooklyn was merged with Manhattan, the City Charter eliminated the power of the Council, turning it into a virtually powerless debating society. The Council was then replaced with the Board of Estimate, a body that included the mayor and was supposed to take into account the needs of the city as a whole, until the Supreme Court actions forced a major change in how the city does business.

THE NEW CITY CHARTER

The New York City Districting Commission was established by the new City Charter to draw the boundaries for the 51 new City Council Districts. The final districting plan for the city will be adopted by June 3, 1991.

The Commission has 15 members and is chaired by Frank Macchiarola, former Public School chancellor and member of the pro-development New York City Partnership. However, most observers believe that City Council Speaker Peter Vallone holds the real power over the new district boundaries. That power means that Vallone is supposed to do everything possible to insure the re-electability of current Council members.

Earlier this month, the New York City Districting Commission came up with eight possible scenarios for Manhattan City Council districts. The Commission said the population of Asians and Latinos in the Lower East Side -- provided by the census bureau - are inadequate to support separate Asian and Latino districts.

The Commission's final proposals are due on June 3rd.



ALTERNATE SEVENS By Chris Flash and P.Nip

Here are some of the many alternative publications and underground newspapers and zines we receive at the SHADOW. If you have a publication that you'd like us to review, please send a sample issue to: SHADOW PRESS, P.O. Box 20298, New York, N.Y. 10009. (Please tell them you saw them reviewed in the SHADOW):

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ANARCHY--(C.A.L., P.O.Box 1446, Columbia, MO 65205-1446. \$2/copy, \$9/6 issues). Focusing on Anarchy around the world, the Spring issue includes squatting, media censorship, myths of the anti-war movement, and lots of letters.

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DIALOGUE--(P.O.Box 71221, New Orleans, LA 70172. \$5/year). Billed as "New Orleans' Progressive Community Journal", they deal with local activist news, war demos, prisoners and women's rights, and ecology. They are dedicated to stopping neo Nazi and former KKK leader David Dukes from getting into the Senate.

DHARMA COMBAT--(P.O.Box 20593, Sun Valley, NV 89433. \$3/copy, \$10/year). Wierd compilation of esoterica culled from various zines and original sources, with stuff on Crowley, Neoism, Church of the SubGenius, UFOs, conspiracies, and The Secret Government. ECHOMEDIA BULLETIN--(P.O.Box 915, Stn F, Toronto, Ont. M4Y 2N9. No price). This great four page newsletter comes out every 2 weeks, covering up to the moment Anarchist

great four page newsletter comes out every 2 weeks, covering up to the moment Anarchist news, local and worldwide, pig violence, news on squatters, prisoners, Indians, and the environment. They've also got an Anarchist Hotline with info, news and events. We'd like to see more pubs like this one in the USSA.

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THE HOLY EXPERIMENT--(P.O.Box 6573, Freehold, N.J. 07728. Free, send two stamps for postage). A free zine put out by Anarchist high school students in New Jersey, with articles on the mainstream media, compiled news items, and upcoming events.

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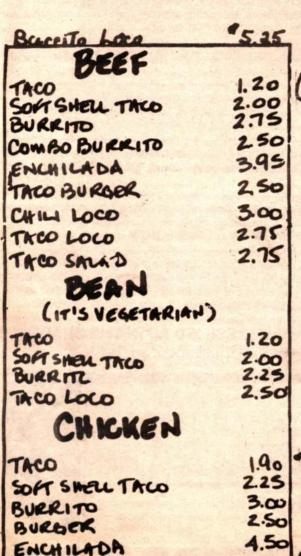
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