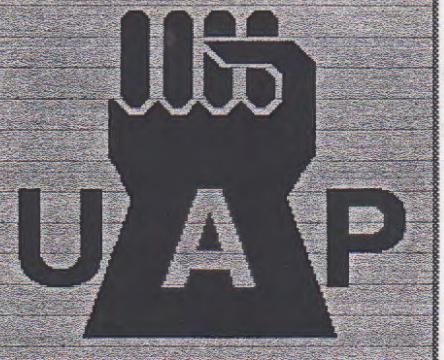


UTOPIAN ANARCHIST PARTY

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LYING PIGS FUCK OFF!

ANARCHISTS BREAK UP BRUTALITY MEETING

As a tearful mother, whose son was lynched by members of a Montgomery County hate group, recounted the story of how the police still to this day rule his death a "suicide", and another man showed scars from when he had been dragged from his home and beaten by a police SWAT team, Anarchists and Communists supported them with cries of "pig" and "they should all be shot." Police Chief Carol Mehrling was loudly booed by the audience and County Council Member Isiah Leggett threatened three Anarchists with expulsion from the meeting after they threaten to "burn officer's homes." All of this occurred when members of the Utopian Anarchist Party, Refuse and Resist! and the Revolutionary Communist Party came together to let the public know their point of view on the issue of the brutality being dealt out by Montgomery County Police.

The crowd began to join anarchists and communists in yelling "pig" and other insults at the pro-cop speakers when one speaker, a Catholic priest in Silver Spring, used racial slurs and referred to the NAACP representative as a "girl." When the Father stated that "there was no police brutality problem in Montgomery County." Anarchists began to yell "bullshit" and Council Member Leggett threatened to adjourn the meeting. Order was restored and the meeting continued for three more hours.

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WAVE AFTER WAVE! STUDENT BOMBS SCHOOL; BOMB THREATS FOLLOW

Three students at Rocky Hill Middle School in Clarksburg, Montgomery County, Maryland, were arrested recently after they attempted to assassinate their principal and another unspecified person with a powerful and lethal bomb. The bomb, which Fire Department Spokesman Dan Gilman said would have killed anyone "as much as a couple hundred feet away", was the most powerful bomb used against a MD school yet in what has been a long guerilla campaign against local school systems.

Authorities don't know how the youths gained the technical proficiency to make the bomb, but agents of the bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms have searched the homes of, questioned, and/or arrested three other students of nearby Damascus High School, and have confirmed that they have seized explosive materials and technical information from them.

A school hallway was damaged by the explosion and small fire that occurred when authorities disarmed the bomb.

The bombing was the first in a series of incidents that have included bomb scares at Eastern Middle School, Ridgeview Middle School, BCC High School, Magruder High School and Walt Whitman High School, among others.

In February, anarchists stated before the state legislature that bombing

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EDITOR'S COLUMN

Hola senors and senoritas! Or should that be y senoritas? I don't know, my Spanish isn't that good, but in any case I a mean hello my fellow anarchists! It's a great feeling to have another issue of the coolest anarchist zine/newsletter/publication in the world ready for pulic release. You now, the way anarchist groups come and go, there are those who think that getting a zine into double digits is an accomplishment. Well, fuck them, because we're moving into issue number 75, and issue #100 is coming into sight, so you can see that the UAP is moving on and going strong.

Putting aside my enthusiasm for a moment, and moving on to serious business. things in the DC area are going great. School systems in three counties have been shut down by bomb threats, and actual bombing incidents are keeping them just scared enouh that they only dare not evacuate every so often. In any case, regardless of their desire to evacuate, the police department is having to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars reacting to these threats, and that's what's important -- shutting down the school only does so much, but draining the police department helps undermine the entire government structure, including the schools, by undermining the brute force which underlies them.

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POLICE SHUT DOWN

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Said one of the approximately one dozen protestors, "It takes a lot of balls to walk into a meeting with over fifty cops in attendance and disrupt it. I think we all did a good job."

During the meeting, Council Member Leggett expressed concern about the protestors, stating "There is one particular gentleman who has particularly foul language for this entire meeting, and I am going to have to say that this will no longer be tolerated." Anarchists and other protestors raised their fists in defiance as Leggett gave this censure.

Police and government officials stated their concern about the anarchist presence, and stated they had prepared for the meeting by assigning extra intelligence officers to monitor the hecklers. One note being passed between police officers that was intercepted and read by anarchists read "Subject behind me has been identified. Situation has already been identified. Appropriate plans are being carried out."

Anarchists commented on the feeble police counterintelligence at the meeting, stating:

"These pigs had no clue how to deal with what was going down. They were expecting us to be real extravagant and to do something big and disruptive. Instead, we came in low-key and legal, just boozing and cussing and shit. They didn't know how to deal with it. They wanted us to break the law, and insted we beat them by just expressingf dissent."

ANOTHER ONE BITES THE DUST! NEW JERSEY STUDENTS TORCH SCHOOL; BUILDING RAZED

An angry young person torched his privately owned psychiatric high school recently, in Westwood, New Jersey, razing the school building and liberating 132 of his fellow young people of the oppression of psychiatric schooling. The Community School, a for-profit institution designed to exploit children diagnosed with so-called "Attention Deficit Disorder", was completely destroyed, leaving staff memebrs crying in the street and causing Governor Whitman of New Jersey to visit the scene.

Attention Deficit Disorder is a fake psychiatric disorder invented and "researched" by psychiatric drug corporations who decided in the late eighties that they could profit by addicting children to stimulant drugs. Lacking a disorder that required stimulant drugs for treatment, they were forced to invent "Attention Deficit Disorder" by funding research that miraculously "discovered" exactly what the companies were looking for.

Many for-profit schools have been created to exploit children who have been caught up in this trend. These schools are used to remove potentially rebellious students from the general population and indoctrinate them more efficiently.

Anarchists commented, stating: "Hey, if you don't like school, go burn it down. That's the way ya do it."

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The following is an excerpt from "Hill Street Bullshit, Richard Pryor Routines, and the Real Deal" by Bob Avakian, Chairman of the RCP. The complete essay, written in 1983, is in the book, Reflections, Sketches & Provocations by Bob Avakian.

Recently I was reading reports of police assaults on Black people and of Black people fighting against the police in Memphis and Miami. This called to mind a story I was told a while back. A rookie cop was riding in his police car with his veteran partner when a report came in that there was a Black man in the vicinity with a gun. As their car screeched around the corner, a young Black man suddenly appeared sprinting up an alley--into a dead end. "Shoot him!", the older cop screamed, "Go on, shoot him-- it's free!"

"It's free!" Think about that for a second. "It's free!" In other words, here's a chance that gets a pig to sweating and salivating with anticipation--a chance to "kill a nigger" with the already provided cover that a Black man--a Black man, *any* Black man--was reported in the area with a gun. This is an opportunity too good to pass up: "Go on, shoot him--it's free!"

Well, in this case, the rookie was not ready for that--perhaps he was one of those rare ones who joins a police force actually believing the "serve and protect" bullshit--and that particular Black man did not die that day. But one of the most telling things about this whole incident is the fallout from it: The rookie cop had to resign. If he wasn't ready and willing--if he didn't have the proper attitude to do what his veteran partner was calling for, what came naturally to the seasoned "peace officer," what any pig in his place and in a pig's right mind would do--then there was no place for him on the force. It was *he*, the rookie who hadn't learned, and couldn't learn it seems, what it's all about--it was *he* who was the outcast and felt he had to resign.

Pigs are pigs. Of course, that's an image, a symbol--in the most literal sense they are human beings, but they are human beings with a murderer's mentality, sanctioned, disciplined, unleashed by the ruling class of society to keep the oppressed in line, through terror whenever necessary and at the "bottom line," as they like to say. Terror against the oppressed is even a special reward for "carrying out the dangerous and thankless duty" of being the "thin blue line" between "civilization on the one side and anarchy and lawlessness on the other." Think about it once again: Terror against the oppressed is not just part of the job, it's also a reward. That is one of the deeper meanings of the story at the start: "Go on, shoot him--it's free!"

Maybe some liberals (of the "left" or "right") will object that these stories I've recounted are after all only stories, and even if we allow that they themselves are true stories, still they are only a few cases--the famous "isolated incidents" perhaps. Well, anyone who still really thinks that, or says it, has got to answer one basic question about the following Richard Pryor routine:

"Cops put a hurtin' on your ass, man, you know. They really degrade you. White folks don't believe that shit, don't believe cops degrade;--'Ah, come on, those beatings, those people were resisting arrest. I'm tired of this harassment of police officers.' Cause the police live in your neighborhood, see, and you be knowin' 'em as Officer Timpson. 'Hello Officer Timpson, going bowling tonight? Yes, uh, nice Pinto you have, ha, ha, ha.' Niggers* don't know 'em like that. See, white folks get a ticket, they pull over, 'Hey, Officer, yes, glad to be of help, here you go.' A nigger got to be talkin' 'bout 'I AM REACH-ING INTO MY POCK-ET FOR MY LICENSE--'cause I don't wanna be no motherfuckin' accident!"

"Police degrade you. I don't know, you know, i 's often you wonder why a nigger don't go completely mad. Ne, you do. You get your shit together, you work all week, right, then you get dressed--maybe say a cat make \$125 a week, get \$80 if he lucky, right, and he go out, get clean, be drivin' with his old lady, goin' out to a club, and the police pull over, 'Get outta the car, there was a robbery--nigger look just like you. Alright, put your hands up, take your pants down, spread

your cheeks! Now, what nigger feel like havin' fun after that? 'No, let's just go home, baby.' You go home and beat your kids and shit--you gonna take that shit out on somebody."

from *That Nigger's* Crazy, 1974*

The question is this: Why, at the crucial points of this routine, does Pryor's audience erupt in tense, knowing laughter, coupled with prolonged applause? Can it be for any other reason than the fact that Pryor has indeed captured and concentrated--with humor, higher than life, as art should be, but the stone truth, all too true, at the same time--a situation that is *typical* for the masses of Black people in the U.S.? Something which, if it has not happened directly to them (and the odds are pretty good that it has), is subject to happen to them tomorrow, or the next day, and has already happened to a relative or friend. To anyone who wants to defend the police, to say nothing of prettifying them, showing them as just ordinary human beings, etc., etc., ad nauseam; and even anyone who wants to raise pious doubts and pelt amendments about calling them what they are, without reservation or apology; you can't get around this question: you have to confront it straight up. And don't tell me Pryor's audiences aren't a fair representation: The response will always be the same from any audience that includes a significant number of the masses of Black people, or other oppressed masses (as, in fact, is the case with the audience for Pryor's live performances).

A relevant fact here, drawn directly from "real life." I read in a recent *RW*, the report about the announcement by the Los Angeles District Attorney that--once again--no charges would be brought against the two pigs who beat and choked a 28-year-old Black man, Larry Morris, to death without any justification, even according to the authorities. The *RW* article went on to expose that "This is just the latest in more than 200 'investigations' of police murders [that is, murders of people by police] since the forming of the D.A.'s 'Operation Rollout.' This program has so far endorsed the police's right to kill every time." And after everything else, we're still bound to hear from some quarters how this is just Los Angeles, where the police are known to be particularly brutal etc., etc. This really shouldn't have to be answered, but it does, so let me answer it by turning again to a Richard Pryor routine, this one from the same performance, in Washington, D.C. in 1978, as the one cited at the start of this article:

"Police in L.A., man, they got a chokehold they use on mothfuckers. Do they do it here, do they choke you to death? (Voices from the audience, *many* voices from the audience: 'Yeah!') That's some weird shit. Cause I didn't know it was a death penalty to have a parking ticket."

But for the masses of Black people in this "great land of freedom and justice for all" it can be--and it has been for hundreds, at least, every year. Of course, this kind of freedom and justice is not reserved for Black people alone in the U.S., though they are special "beneficiaries" of it. It also lashes out and ensnares millions of the masses of other oppressed nationalities, immigrants (so-called "legal" as well as so-called "illegal") and in general those who are without wealth and therefore without power, including many white people, for whom Officer Timpson is hardly a friend, either.

In short, the armed force of the bourgeois state exists for the purpose of suppressing, by force and arms, the proletariat and all those who would step out of line and challenge this "great way of life" founded on robbery and murder, not only within the U.S. itself but throughout the world. And that, simply, is why pigs are pigs, and will always be pigs--until systems that need such pigs are abolished from the earth. A hard truth--but a liberating truth.

* This material is reproduced here as it was performed by Richard Pryor at the time, including the use of the word "nigger"; this is for the sake of accuracy and not out of any disrespect for his feeling, after a trip to Africa, that he should no longer use the word "nigger" because it is dehumanizing.

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SHOVE IT UP YOUR ASS!

FORTY FOUR CARS DESTROYED AT NOTORIUS POLICE STATION

Anti-cop activists attacked a Brooklyn police station recently, slashing more than 100 tires in act that is widely believed to be in response to the police torture of Haitian immigrant Abner Louima at that station. Forty four vehicles were damaged in the attack, including sixteen marked police cars, nine personal vehicles belonging to police officers, and nineteen vehicles belonging to police employees or people trying to file charges.

Earlier in the year, five police officers at the station were indicted in a brutal act of torture in which they sodomized Mr Louima with a toilet plunger and engaged in other extreme acts of degradation. Unfortunately, such instances of police abuse are common, and Mr Louima's case was one of the few so severe that it could not be ignored.

Police have refused to recognize a link between the two cases, but have been unable to explain any other motive for the attack.

Anarchists commented on the anti-cop retaliation, stating:

"Hatred of the police is not just something you are seeing in the DC area, and its not just something confined to some small segment of the population. Everyone hates the police to some degree, its just that not everyone is able to say that they hate all police at all times. People struggle to hold on to the belief that there are some "good cops", and its only the brave few that are able to make the analysis of society necessary to recognize that there are no good cops."

"These activists, by destroying every vehicle associated with the police station, showed that they have made the 'no good cops' analysis, and, by attacking civilian vehicles as well, showed that they recognize those who collaborate with cops are as guilty as the cops."

BOMBING CONSPIRACY

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attacks were imminent if the legislature did not immediately begin dismantling the state mechanisms by which students are oppressed.

Some legislatures have expressed concern that an anarchist conspiracy has been behind bombing and arson attacks in several counties, most notably Montgomery, Prince George's and Anne Arundel Counties. An unprecedented number of bomb threats have been received by these counties, and more than fifty arrests have been made without any dent in the threats occurring.

Anarchists commented on the bomb threat campaign, stating:

"The UAP has been the only voice in the radical community not only able to support the anti-school campaign, but able to understand it. Socialists, communists, and the weak-kneed liberals that flock around them -- these people can't understand what's going on. They hear the government claim that this is something good for the poor, and they don't have the ideological basis to realize that the government is lying to them. They hear people saying they're going to shut down the schools, and they whine 'but how will the children be educated?' They don't recognize that the schools are not centers of education but indoctrination, and that young people will not tolerate that."

"This is an authentic mass movement against authoritarianism, and it is being conducted by the masses for their own betterment. Communist vanguardist elite academic geeks don't like the masses and don't like mass action -- they want things to happen the way they want them to. They don't understand their own theory, so they always fail. Anarchists, we understand what's going on. We understand that people want what they want, and that our job is to help them get it. The end of school is what young people want."

EDITOR'S COLUMN

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But the bomb threats are only part of what has been a huge local campaign against laws, law enforcement and our pig society in general. Anti-cop activists in Montgomery County have been disrupting police-community relations events all over, booing down the police chief and letting people know what bastards these pigs are. The police are getting so concerned that they've now officially designated UAP a "terrorist gang" -- and they're damn right -- we do terrorize them, because they terrorize us.

Law and order is losing control, and it knows it. People can't stand these bastards no more, and their reign is coming to an end. We're winning the young people, and since we've started to win the young people, we're starting to win the grown-up young people called adults.

In any case, anarchy is growing and anarchy is winning. The youth community is starting to look to us as protectors, and has been calling us on everything from giving advice on how to deal with schools, courts and other pigs to actually helping them organize to fight these bastards. Hard-line UAP anarchy is becoming socially acceptable, and all I can say to that is ANARCHY NOW!

MARYLAND POLITICS

ASSAULTS ON YOUTH

Well, another month has come and gone, and a number of developments have occurred. First of all, several red light cameras in Columbia, MD have been shot full of holes, as we predicted they would be. Like the parking meters in DC, they have shifted from a revenue producing item to a major expense item. Second, we now have a location on the first camera in Montgomery County: Old Georgetown Road and Edsall Road. It is a fairly large box mounted on a curved strut protruding from a pole with nothing else on it. A picture was published in the weekend edition of the Gazette in the beginning of March. The front of it has a false face with a transparent panel and additional plastic panels to "protect" the antenna horn. Needless to say, that will not stop a bullet. The casing also appears to have no armor protection at all. (Camera radar, by the way, has been defeated for another year.)

Second, here is the latest news from Annapolis. We have defeated the proposal to revoke driver's licenses from high school dropouts, but the senate bill to suspend licenses for bomb threats (we stopped the House version) has passed the whole Senate and goes back to the House for a hearing on April 7 in the Judiciary Committee at 1:00 pm. They have already heard our position on this -- it's just going to subject the MVA to the same kind of campaign the schools have been getting.

HB 76, the bill to prohibit people under 18 from registering cars in their own names, has passed the house, with the argument being that parents have more assets for accident victims to sue for. We have information available on how to set up false birth certificates and false licenses. You will soon need that false birth certificate if graduated licensing passes. It has passed the

House committee, despite our warnings, though it been amended to change the driver's curfew from 10:00 PM to midnight, after "straight achiever" youth declared they would defy it and their parents supported them. I guess the enemy has decided that a 10:00 PM curfew would force too many people to fight them. If this goes through (even as amended) AAA gets almost everything they want -- a license suspension for two tickets, for driving at night twice, and an 18-month period where this is in force all new drivers, regardless of age. The curfew will be 18 months of no driving midnight to 5:00 PM for everyone under 18.

All of these threats pale, however, next to the new menace: the campaign of New York Mayor "Adolf" Giuliani for President in 2000. If this man, the architect of "zero tolerance" policing, gets in the White House, we can expect a brutal war, with no quarter being asked or given, on young people, black people, poor people, hispanics, gays and all of the rest of disadvantaged in our society. This man is more dangerous than David Duke, and he has support among the ruling class "law and order" constituency. Indeed, he is supporting the bill introduced in Congress by Jesse Helms and Newt Gingrich to

impose the DEATH PENALTY on people caught possessing more than two ounces of marijuana. This would mean that having two ounces of marijuana would lead to ten years in solitary followed by an electric chair, or, if you're "lucky", lethal injection.

Currently, his pigs have been serving warrants in the middle of the night for unpaid jaywalking tickets, public drinking, and the rest. At the rate he is arresting people, soon he will have to start executing drug users just to have a place to put everyone. In short, pot smokers are to Giuliani what Jews were to Hitler. This is like Germany in 1930, and we MUST fight this evil, cruel dictator while we are still alive to do so. Giuliani is America's Hitler and Mussolini, and MUST be stopped no matter what the price.

Cures not Wars and other pro-legalization groups are launching a preemptive strike against him on Saturday, May 2nd, at 11:00 AM in Washington Square Park, with the march going to Central Park. This is a key anti-Ghouliani demonstration and will build towards next year's Million Marijuana March.

ALSO NOTED:

----- On Friday, March 25th, more than 5000 activists marched through DC as part of the *Jericho 98 March for Political Prisoners*. Lying mainstream media sources refused to cover the march, fearing that if the public were aware of political prisoners being held in the US, this would undermine public confidence in the government. The march was the largest march in DC this year, larger than the abortion rights march, the anti-Klan march and the anti-war marches combined.

----- Students have heated up a *bomb threat campaign* against local schools, calling in dozens of threats against the Montgomery County and Anne Arundel County school systems. One school in Montgomery County was bombed, and other suspicious packages have been found.

PIPE BOMBS

PIPE BOMBS AND BEYOND

The classic pipe bomb is the best example of a metal contained explosive. A crude version of this device is made using white tipped matches, off of which one cuts the match heads. One then pounds one end of a pipe closed with a hammer, pours in the white match heads, and then pounds the other end closed. Now, this device often kills the poor fool, since the pounding of the pipe closed causes sufficient friction to ignite the match heads and explode the device. By using pipe caps, this device is made safer, but no anarchist in their right mind uses matchheads in a bomb.

The best form of this device is made using two pipe caps and a threaded pipe. First, one drills a hole in the pipe cap, and puts a fuse securely into it so that it does not fall out and gunpowder does not leak out. The fuse runs at least 3/4 of an inch into the pipe, and preferably more.

One then screws the cap on tightly, possibly using a drop of super glue to guarantee its tightness, and then pours explosive powder (gunpowder or black powder, for instance) into the bomb. The powder is then packed

tightly with a large wad of tissue paper, and, after the pipe is filled to the very top, the powder is packed down, using a dowel or other cylindrical object against the paper as a ram rod, until it does not pack any further. At this point, the other cap is screwed on and glued. The tissue paper prevents the powder from being caught in the thread of the pipe and thereby being exposed to friction and potentially detonating.

This is one possible design that a bomber would use. If one does not have access to a piece of threaded pipe (which sells cheaply at the local hardware store), one could always use copper or aluminum pipe, since it is easily bent. However, a major problem with copper piping is bending and folding it without tearing it, as it tends to split at the fold.

The safest method for constructing a bomb out of copper or saluminum pipe is similar to the method using a pipe and end caps. First, one flattens one end of a copper or aluminum pipe carefully, making sure not to tear or rip it. A fuse hole should be drilled in the now closed end, and the fuse should be inserted. Next, one fills the bomb with the low order explosive (the powder) and packs it with the wad of tissue paper. A pair of pliers is then used to flatten and fold the other pipe end. If one is not too stupid, this is done slowly, since the folding and

bending process gives off heat and could potentially ignite the explosive. One, of course, does not use a hammer for this process.

A CO₂ cartridge from a pellet gun can also be used as the container of a small pipe bomb, with one major disadvantage, it is time consuming to fill. This is rectified by widening the end of the cartridge with a pointed tool. One then merely needs to fill the cartridge and insert a fuse. The devices are commonly called "crater makers."

These designs are only suitable for the use of low order explosives, as high order explosives require a shockwave to detonate. A design employing a small low order explosive around a high order explosive devices could, however, be developed around the pipe bomb theme.

Once this bomb is made, it can be easily hyped up to the strength of the devices recently used at Rocky Hill Middle School in Clarksburg, MD. To do this, one needs several, say half a dozen, pipe bombs, model rocket engines equal to the number of pipe bombs, and a radio control of some kind. One modifies the bomb by removing the cap with the fuse and replacing it with a model rocket engine, set up so as to fire into the gunpowder, with the electric leads that connect it to the radio detonator facing out. One does this with each bomb, and then wires the leads together and attaches them to the radio receiver. This way, when one signals for the rocket engines to ignite, the signal sets off all six engines, which then burn so hot that they detonate the low order gunpowder. The blast then detonates all the remaining model rocket fuel, and the blasts of each bomb then resonat off of each other. This hypes up the explosion to the point where the device is lethal up to several hundred feet away, and can effectively be used against property.

COP HUNTER

Want to tell the cops what you think about them? Drop by their homes in:

--- **Prince George's County, Maryland :** Heading North on Rhode Island Avenue from Greenbelt Road, make your third left onto one of Indian-tribne-named streets (starts with an L) and then a left on 48th Avenue (the second 48th-named street, after 48th Place). The cop livesa block down on the corner of 48th Avenue and parks on the street.

--- **Montgomery County, Maryland :** Heading North on 355 through Rockville make a right on Route 28 and take it for a while, past East Gude Drive and several other streets. Make your third left past East Gude Drive onto Rock Spring Drive and then make your next right onto Clavel Street. The cop lives about five houses down on the left, parking on the street.

PRISONER'S VIEW

I CANNOT DEFEND MYSELF

Dear UAP,

I am writing this to you because I know you will publish it; I have seen that you have published many other letters by the brothers in jail, and you published the letter of my old cellie, who has been moved to C-2 I think. I am writing to tell you about the brutality and violence that we as prisoners are getting and that we cannot do anything about it.

The other day I saw a guard come into my cell to search it for no reason. They locked us down and searched everyone's cell, and they said that we had to take off our clothes and let them inspect us. Well one man, who is a sick man who doesn't talk like he's right in his head, told these COs to fuck off because he didn't have to do nothing he was told. These COs then took this man and smacked him up against the wall and ripped his clothes off to search him, and then threw him down on the ground.

I have seen other people doing the same thing to other people. I saw a CO choke a guy after the guy argued with him because the CO wouldn't give some new guy an empty cell and was making the guy have a cellie. I then saw the CO write the guy up and send him to what you call solitary for 60 days for assaulting a guard.

I am here in jail and I am afraid of the guards, and of the other people in here too. These people are crazy, and I didn't even do nothing to be put here. Please help me.

Sincerely,

<Name deleted>

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First, I am sending you legal papers so that you can file lawsuits against the jail. These are forms for a prisoner's complaint under USC 42 §1983, which is the statute dealing with denial of civil rights. Find one of the smarter prisoners in the jail to help you with them. These will help you bring complaints against the guards.

Second, I know how hard jail is, and I know there's very little you can do to fight back. It's hard to stay in fighting shape when you're in jail, and it's hard to fight when you have a steel door between you and the outside. Since you're only in a county jail, I know your sentence is less than 18 months, so I would say that you should just duck your head down collect

your good time and hope to get out soon.

In real prisons, most guards aren't stupid enough to do what these guards are doing. One story I heard from the DC jail involved a kitchen manager who told inmates not to clean rat shit out of bowls where they were cooking the food. The inmates grew so angry at this kitchen manager that they killed him and put him in the meat grinder. This is what happens to guards who pull this crap in prison.

In jail, there's little you can do. It's usually not worth it to fight, since a simple assault charge can double your sentence. What you have to do is wait to be free and then strike back -- hook up with the anarchist movement and start to dismantle these pigs.

GIVE YOUR SUPPORT . . .

There are millions of people living in American prisons. These people are locked by twos into small, grey cells for ten to twenty three hours a day, and spend the rest of the time in a cramped day room with two dozen or more others. These are not bad people. At worst they're drug addicts and petty thieves, at best they're people just like you caught in a bad situation. Help support them any way you can, even if its just a letter. They appreciate it.

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THE ADVENTURES OF PYRO-GIRL Part 36

BY GEORGE, SHE'S GOT IT!

So my hands were clean and my stomach was full, but I still felt foul, because the rest of me was dirty and because my life was absolutely nowhere. I looked in a mirror in the home's hallway, and confirmed that I was dirty and wretched. I could pick rocks out of my hair and wipe dirt off my face, and I decided I wasn't going to take this crap.

I poked around the house, and figured that a woman must live there, because there were dresses in the closet and womanly things all around the house. It was also probably an old woman, guessing from the look of the dresses and that impeccable old-person neatness of every room. Still, her clothes seemed clean, and while her bras didn't fit, her dresses seemed to, and, given how filthy my jacket and the rest of my shit was, I didn't care. I took a quick shower, scrubbed myself, and changed into some clothes that, when combined with my army boots and general ragged look made me look like a goth caricature

of a nice girl -- the kind of nice girl that took you out and whipped you after she finished pollyanna-ing you to her mother

I carried my dirty clothes outside and tossed them around back, except for my jacket, which I threw on over the dress. I had ganked about fifty dollars from a dresser in the house, and I had that shoved in my pocket. I figured there might be more cash, since old people tend to keep a wad of cash hanging around, but I didn't have time to look for it. No one came home

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during the hour or so I was there, and no one seemed to notice me leave, except for the people who very acutely noticed me as a fucked up looking white girl walking down Ghetto Boulevard, Southeast.

I walked for quite a while. Eating had given me more energy, and I felt less rundown. I passed a million liquor stores, and then a million churches, and I noticed

that they both probably sell the same thing -- relief to the desperate -- with about the same effect. I don't know -- I hate churches. I've always had something against them, and whenever I'm in one, I feel like someone is looking at me in a real unpleasant way.

So I wandered through the ghetto, heading West, I guess, out of Southeast, except, of course, for the Anacostia River, which goes through the middle of Southeast and kinda separates Anacostia from the rest of the city. I eventually reached a Metro, and since I still had the dollars I'd ganked, I took a ten and turned it into a Metro card. Some dude was sitting out by the metro trying to get change, but I couldn't figure why -- you'd think he'd know better than to try to get change out of ghetto people -- for begging, Georgetown or DuPont or some other rich neighborhood is much better, at least from what I hear.

Anyways, I got my card and got on the train, I was taking the Green line out of Anacostia. I wasn't that familiar with DC at the time, and I figured I might go downtown and look at all the monuments and stuff -- just to waste my day -- but then I figured I wanted to see Georgetown because I'd never seen it, but then I noticed there was no Georgetown stop, so after asking some folk I was told to go to Farragut West because Georgetown had banned Metro stops, and so that's what I did.

For those who don't know DC, I'll just throw this in -- Anacostia is the really poor ghetto neighborhood, and it's in Southeast DC. Georgetown is a really rich shopping neighborhood, and it's in Northwest. DuPont is also a rich shopping neighborhood, but it's also known for its gay community, and it's also in Northwest. Farragut is near the downtown, with the monuments, which stretches through North and Southwest,

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ESSAYS -- LENINISM

THE COMMUNIST STATE

What is the state, how did it arise and what fundamentally should be the attitude to the state of the party of the working class, which is fighting for the complete overthrow of capitalism -- the Communist Party?

The state is a machine for maintaining the rule of one class over another.

When there were no classes in society, when, before the epoch of slavery, people laboured in primitive conditions of greater equality, in conditions when productivity of labor was at its lowest, and when primitive man could hardly procure the wherewithal; for the crudest and most primitive existence, a special group of people, specially separated off to rule and dominate over the rest of society, had not yet arisen, and could not have arisen. Only when the first form of the division of society into classes appeared,

only when slavery appeared, when a certain class of people, by concentrating on the crudest forms of agricultural labor, could produce a certain surplus, when the surplus is not absolutely essential for the most wretched existence of the slave and passed into the hands of the

slaveowner, when in this was the existence of this class of slaveowners took firm root -- then in order that it might take firm root it was essential that the state should appear.

There did exist an apparatus which compelled the slaves to remain in slavery, which kept one part of society subjugated and oppressed by another. It is not possible to compel the greater part of society to work systematically for the other part of society without a permanent apparatus of coercion. The forms of the state were extremely varied. At that time the difference was already arising between the monarchy and the republic, between the aristocracy and the democracy. A monarchy is the power of a single person, a republic is the absence of any nonelected power; and aristocracy is the power a relatively small minority, a democracy is the power of the people

(democracy in Greek literally means the power of the people.) All these differences arose in the epoch of slavery. Despite these differences, the state of the slaveowning epoch was a slaveowning state, regardless of whether it was a monarchy or a republic, aristocratic or democratic.

In every course on history in ancient times, you will hear about the struggle which was waged between the monarchical and republican states. But the fundamental fact is that the slaves were not regarded as human beings -- not only were they not regarded as citizens, they were not even regarded as human beings. Roman law defended only slaveowners, who were alone recognized as citizens with full rights. All rights under the laws were enjoyed by the

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slaveowners, while the slave was a chattel in the eyes of the law; and not only could any sort of violence be perpetrated against a slave, but even the murder of a slave was not considered a crime. This fundamental fact must be borne in mind, because it throws more light than any other on the question of the state and clearly demonstrates the nature of the state.

The state is a machine for the oppression of one class by another, a machine for holding in obedience to one class other, subordinated classes. There were various forms of this machine. In fact the forms of government varied extremely, but their essence was always the same; the slaves enjoyed no rights and constituted an oppressed class; they were not regarded as human beings. We find the same thing in the feudal state.

To understand the struggle that has been started against world capital, to understand the essence of the capitalist state, we must remember that when the capitalist state advanced against the feudal state it entered the fight under the slogan of liberty. The abolition of feudalism meant liberty for the representatives of the capitalist state and served their purpose, inasmuch as serfdom

was breaking down and the peasants had acquired the opportunity of owning as their full property the land which they had purchased for compensation or in part by quit rent -- this did not concern the state; it protected property no matter how it arose, because the state rested on private property. The peasants became private owners in all the modern civilized states. The state declared that it would fully preserve private property, and it accorded every support and protection. The state recognized the property rights of every merchant, industrialist and manufacturer. And this society, based on private property, on the power of capital, on the complete subjection of the propertyless workers and labouring masses of the peasantry, proclaimed that its rule was based on liberty.

Yet the state continued to be a machine which helped the capitalists to hold the poor peasants and the working class in subjugation. But in outward appearance it was free. And now, when the world socialist revolution has begun, when the fight against world capital has grown particularly acute, the question of the state has acquired the greatest importance and has become, one might say, the most burning one.

Is the state in a capitalist country, in a democratic republic, an expression of the popular will? Or is the state a machine that enables the capitalists to maintain power over the working class and the peasantry. That is the fundamental question.

The forms of domination of the state may vary: capital manifests its power in one way where one form exists, and in another way where another form exists -- but essentially the power is in the hands of capital, whether there are voting qualifications or not, or whether the republic is a democratic one or not -- in fact, the more democratic it is, the cruder and more cynical is the rule of capitalism. Once capital exists, it dominates the whole of society, and no democratic republic, no form of franchise can alter the essence of the matter.

ESSAYS -- ANTI-SCHOOL ACTIVISM

INDOCTRINATION NOT EDUCATION

It is beyond the ability of most of the more well behaved "revolutionary" groups in this country to understand the struggle against the school system and the fight for student revolution. Their lack of a well-developed critique of public schooling is symptomatic of their over-dependence on nineteenth and early twentieth century Marxist writings, and stems ultimately from their poorly developed critiques of the state. The fact that they do not see the schools as primarily an instrument of indoctrination, or, when they do see it as such, their extreme desire to use it as such in their supposed interest belies their lack of understanding of the nature of freedom, rights, and interests, whether individual or class.

The school system is oppressive because it places an undue burden on young people. Young people have committed no crime, and yet are compelled to surrender a significant portion of their time to the state or state-approved private interests. The argument is that this surrender is in the young person's best interests. The argument that young people deserve self-determination of self interest is met with the counter that they do not have the ability to make such judgements well. Even the most extreme left-communist arguments argue only for a change in curriculum or atmosphere, completely missing the point of most student's objections to school.

The reason for this is a lack of a coherent, well stated objection to wrongful coercion on the part of the self-named "revolutionary" parties and organizations. Most would argue that coercion is at some times against some people over some issues is justified, and many anarchists would agree. However, the fact that one must occasionally employ coercion does not imply that any act of coercion is acceptable, and that the systematic coercion of those who have not done wrong is acceptable.

On this point, socialists fall down on a number of issues, not just schooling. Taxation, welfare, and other state "social service" programs are constantly defended by socialists who do not recognize them as tools of the capitalist ruling class. Socialists do not see these issues as being fraudulent -- they do not recognize they are misdirections and traps laid for them by the ruling class. They do not recognize the power of the bourgeoisie, and do not recognize that if these programs did not serve the interests of the ruling class they would not be maintained. They also do not recognize the fact that debate between different parties of the ruling class does not mean that either (or any) side represents the interests of the

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workers and the masses of the people. If they recognized these things, they would not be so quickly duped by the state's claims that its welfare and public service programs (including public education programs) serve the people.

Young people are coerced into attending school. Should a young person, even if fifteen, sixteen, seventeen, or, in some cases, eighteen years of age, decide that their schooling is not worthwhile and that it should be ended, the state has the power to use violence to force that young person into a school building, or, in the extreme, a "special" school, i.e. jail. They are coerced because the schools serve the interests of the state. They teach young people how to interact with an authoritarian system, in order to condition them to not exercise their rights in our democracy (except of course, in the "for show" manner of participation in yessing the decisions of the power structure, as SGAs and most public school student organizations do.)

Young people naturally object to this "indoctrination before education" approach. They recognize that it has not been designed to serve their interests. They also recognize that changing the content of

the indoctrination program is not a solution. Education can never truly be education until it is a freely sought commodity, valued because of its use in increasing a person's earnings and functioning in society, and not compulsory ritual indoctrination.

The solution to the problem of state run education is the abolition of the public school system and of all compulsory schooling laws. While one may argue that private interests may exact greater tyranny, it is rare that private interests conceal their ideological bent under the cloak of objectivity, as the public schools do, and, with lack of compulsion, private schools which provide a variety of ideological orientation must inevitably arise. While it is true that religious organizations control much of the private schooling in existence today, many Americans object to religious schooling, and there is no reason that fine, academically rigorous, and ultimately prosperous Communist or Anarchist schools cannot be founded (in addition, of course, to the plethora of schools with traditional conservative and liberal bents which must arise.)

Unfortunately, there is no way for this solution to be brought about by peaceful means. The state, having seized control of young people's lives, is unlikely to voluntarily relinquish it, and, given that most people were educated by the state to support the ideals of the state, it is unlikely that the general populace will compel the state to disband the public schools by voting them out. Further, the disenfranchisement of young people leaves traditional political processes inaccessible. That given, violent and mass student activism against this coercive machine is only route to liberation open to young people. This is why young people read UAP while passing over Socialist papers, and are willing to accept cop-killing and bombings in the name of the struggle. They know their conditions better than any outsider, and they know the paths which will ultimately lead to their change.

ESSAYS -- ANARCHISM

ANARCHISTS V
CONSERVATIVES

Liberal Democracy, or non-fascist conservatism, is afraid to make direct criticisms of anarchism because to do so undermines the whole reasoning of liberal democracy. It therefore resorts to falsification: anarchists are equated with Marxists (and thereby the whole Marxist criticism of anarchism is ignored.) The most frequent method of attack is to suggest that anarchism is some form of Marxism plus violence, or some extreme form of Marxism.

The reason that Liberal-Democracy has no defense to offer against real anarchist arguments is because liberal democracy is using it as apologia, in the defense of "freedom", yet placing circumscribing walls around it. It pretends that parliamentarianism is some form of democracy, but though sometimes prepared to admit (under pressure) that parliamentarianism is no form of democracy at all, occasionally seeks to find ways of further democratising it. The undoubtedly dictatorial process that a few people, once elected, by fair means or foul, have the right to make decisions for the majority, is covered up by a defence of constitutional rights or even the individual liberty of members of Parliament only. Burke's dictum that they are representatives, not delegates, is quoted ad nauseum (as if this reactionary politician had bound the British people forever, though as he himself admitted, did not seek to ask their opinion on the matter once.)

Liberal economics are almost as dead as the dodo. What rules is either the monopoly of the big firms, or of the State.

Yet laissez-faire economics remain embodied in the aspirations of the Tory Party, which they never implement. They object to the intervention of the State in business, but they never care to carry the spirit of competition too far. There is no logical reason why there should any restriction on the movement of currency -- and this is good Tory policy (though never implemented! Not

until the crisis, any crisis is over!). From this point of view, why should we not be able to deal in gold pieces or US dollars, or Maria Theresa tales, or Francs, or Deutschmarks, or even devalued Deutschmarks? The pound sterling would soon find its own level, and if it were devalued, so much the worse for it. But why stop there? If we can choose any currency we like, free socialism could co-exist with capitalism and it would drive capitalism out.

Once free socialism competes with capitalism -- as it would if we would choose to ignore the State's symbolic money and deal in one of our own choosing, which reflected real work values -- who would

This argument is in fact beneath contempt, yet it is one that influences the press, police and judiciary to a surprising extent. In fact Anarchism as such (as distinct from specific anarchist organizations) could never be illegal, because no laws can make people love the State. It is only done by false ideals such as describing the state as "country."

The fact is that Liberal-Democracy seldom voices any argument against Anarchism as such -- other than relying on prejudice -- because its objections are purely authoritarian and unmask the innate Statism and authoritarianism of liberalism. Nowadays conservatives like to appropriate the name "liberalism" to describe themselves as if they were more receptive to freedom than socialists. But their liberalism is confined to keeping the State out of interfering in their business affairs. Once anarchism makes it plain that it

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choose to be exploited? Quite clearly no laissez-faire economist who had to combine his role with that of party politician would allow things to go that far.

Liberal-Democracy picks up one of the normal arguments against anarchism which began on the right-wing: namely, it begins with the objection against socialism -- that is Statism -- but if there is an anti-Statist socialism that is in fact more liberal than itself, then it is "criminal." If it is not, then it seeks law to make it so.

is possible to have both social justice and to dispense with the State, they are shown in their true colors. Their arguments against State socialism and Communism may sound "libertarian", but their arguments against Anarchism reveal that they are essentially authoritarian. That is why they prefer to rely upon innuendo, slanders and false reporting, which is part of the establishment anti-anarchism, faithfully supported by the media.

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