

# UTOPIAN ANARCHIST PARTY

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## CAPITOL KILLERS

### 2 DEAD, 1 INJURED AS GUNMAN ATTACKS US CAPITOL

Washington, DC -- Russell E Weston Jr, a resident of Montana, had had his fill of corruption and decadence in the US Capitol. Having threatened Clinton and told his congressmen to stop, to no avail, he decided recently to do something about. So he packed up his .38 revolver, hardened his determination and courage, and stormed the US Capitol in a flurry of gunfire that left two pigs dead and almost got him into Minority Whip Tom DeLay's office.

The incident, which is being compared to a 1954 incident where five lawmakers were shot by Puerto Rican nationalists, has sent a shiver up the spine of the ruling class. "This isn't supposed to happen here," one witness to the attack stated. Said pig president Clinton, "[this was] a moment of savagery at the front door of American civilization."

Weston was described as a loner who experienced deep paranoia about the intrusiveness of the government into individual's private lives. He expressed concerns that the government is developing satellites and other equipment to monitor private citizens, and believed Clinton and the Congress were at the heart of a conspiracy against the American people.

Anarchists threw their support behind Weston almost immediately, declaring, as sketchy details emerged, "We don't know how many pigs are dead, but we're sure it's not enough."

The two dead pigs, Capitol Police

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## GOING AND GOING...

### NORTH-VA PIGS CONCERNED ABOUT YOUTH WITH BOMBS

Arlington, Virginia -- Police are growing concerned over a large number of similar homemade explosive devices that have been discovered in the possession of young people in a number of Northern Virginia towns over the past month. With over fourteen devices uncovered and unknown more out there, police are working to try to discover the source and the motivation for the devices' manufacture.

A key issue here is concern that this may be a prelude to a renewed attack on the public school system, of the type that has shut down public schools in three counties in Western Maryland -- Montgomery, Prince George's and Anne Arundel's -- and which has been linked to anarchists and other radical students organizing in the public schools.

The devices, which have been variations on the "pipe bomb theme", where a cylindrical container is used to hold a low order explosive (like gunpowder), and is then placed in a package of loose metal (shrapnel) and tried to explode.

These incidents in northern Virginia are coming on the heels of an actual bombing conducted against Wheaton High School in Montgomery County, MD this summer. This device, which was fused improperly and did not explode, was "lethal within 100 yards," according to a fire department spokesman.

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## EDITOR'S COLUMN

Hey -- what's up. This month (two months?) in anarchy we're bringing you some of the best stuff ever. We took a vacation following our school shooter's special (Issue #76), but we're back hardcore with a couple essays and features that you've requested. First, we've brought back our page on manufacture of Crystal Meth, along with a list of chemical suppliers YOU can contact, at YOUR request! (and a bunch fo you have requested this.)

Then, we have some FUCK THE VOTE information for 1998. Check our article on PR Coordinator Bill White and his camapign for Board of Ed, and then check out an essay by Bill on the abolition of public schools -- the basis of his campaign platform. And remember, don't vote, don't waste your time, but if you do, FUCK THE VOTE -- VOTE ANARCHY!

I also want to give my full support this month to Russell E Weston, Jr, a fine man who attempted something that needed to be done -- the offing of all those pigs in the Capitol! Good job Ron, and I hope you get better and get off!

Another issue that I want to bring up is something you'll see in the "Also Noted" column -- that the Church of Scientology may have funded the anti-Mumia ad that ran in the New York Times. This is coming

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## LOCAL NEWS

### ATTACK ON US CAPITOL

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Officer Jacob J Chestnut and Capitol Police Officer John Gibson, were hailed by government officials but not by local anarchists. "Pigs are pigs, whether they're guarding the Capitol or roaming the streets. The only difference is that one group guards the people instructing the other groups to do their evil."

"Even if this guy was a nutcase, that doesn't make him wrong -- in a world where the sane person does evil, you have to be a little insane to do good. The government may not have dedicated a satellite to watching him, but in general, the government does use intrusive means to invade the privacy of people."

"There is a movement among the ruling class to discredit those people who are legitimately fearful of government intrusion by presenting all fear of government intrusion as delusional or paranoid, and that's not the case. This is wrong; rather we should be searching for the valid kernel of truth underlying their madness."

"After all, if the government didn't spy on people, where would crazy people would get the idea it was spying on them? The basis for the distortion just wouldn't be there."

Other anarchists supported the shooter, stating:

"I don't even know what all went on, but if someone did go in there and shoot people, then good, because I don't like none of those people no how."

### COPS KILL COPS IN SHOOTOUT

ONE DEAD, THREE INJURED IN INTRA-COP RIVALRY

Washington, DC -- Two rival police officers and their associates shot it out with each other on a recent Sunday night, killing one officer involved and wounding three others outside a Northwest DC Nightclub. Police say they aren't sure what provoked the combat, or how it started, but when it ended Officer Thomas F Hamlette Jr, 24, was dead, and Oti Ikomi, 20, a patron at the club, was injured, along with two others who were not identified.

Witness reports were in great conflict, but apparently one group of officers and their associates drew guns on some of the club patrons, and were attacked by another group of officers, who may or may not have been affiliated with the patrons who were initially threatened.

Police say one officer, William Hyatt Jr, 28, the killer of Hamlette, has been put on administrative leave, though officials said his actions may have been justified. Police say this incident has heightened tensions between different factions within the Metropolitan Police Department, and has also heightened racial tension. Hyatt is white; Hamlette is black.

Anarchists commented, stating: "Hey, if they want to do our job for them, more power to them. I recommend that all cops go out and shoot your comrades, because I don't want to waste the fucking ammunition."

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## LOCAL NEWS

### RAGE AGAINST THE MACHINE

#### ANARCHIST CANDIDATE PROMISES END TO SCHOOL

Rockville, Maryland -- A "feisty young candidate" is "throwing a wrench in the political machine" in Montgomery County, MD, politics. Or at least that's what the local papers had to say after Board of Education candidate Bill White revealed his program of public school abolition at a recent public forum.

This longtime UAP activist and anti-government organizer has shocked local politicians by winning endorsements he doesn't want from across the political spectrum. Saying that he wants to "fuck the vote, not rock the vote", he has picked up support and money for his campaign from organizers from groups as diverse as Refuse and Resist!, a far left activist group, the Libertarian Party, the Reform Party (of Ross Perot) and the Pat Buchanan campaign.

In campaign speeches, Mr White has called for "true socialism -- socialism without coercion" and "the dissolution of the government and the evil it represents." He has also been physically attacked by another candidate, ex-law enforcement officer and ex-Vietnam era soldier Rob Sher, who grew so incited at one speech that he stood up and threatened to "destroy Mr White" while claiming to stand for "law and order" in the schools.

In a recent interview, Mr White stated "I will be offended if the petty bourgeois idiots who vote elect me into office," and that "power comes from the barrel of the gun, and that the road to victory lies with the bullet, not the ballot."

In a recent interview with UAP, he extended his remarks, stating, "What I am about is support for all the young people of the world who are struggling against authoritarianism. In this campaign, I am taking point man in this attack, and will emerge victorious."

### NORTH VIRGINIA BOMBINGS

<FROM p.1>

The arrested youth have been from several communities, most recently Great Falls and Arlington. At least four have been identified as "gang members, but what "gang" or type of gang is unclear, as police use the term "gang" as a pseudonym for a number of local anarchist, communist, nationalist and other extremist political groups.

Anarchists supported the young people, stating:

"We support not only the young people of Northern Virginia but the young people of Wheaton, Maryland, and all the young people locally, who have been using explosives and the threat of explosives to stop the system of indoctrination and oppression that they are being compelled to live under.

"Young people have no choice but to fight back against our system, and they have no method for fighting back except violence. They are denied the vote and they are denied respect, and so they are taking whatever means are available into their hands to fight.

"Bombings are necessary to give legitimacy to the bomb threats, and while they should be conducted in a manner that puts other students at a minimal risk, what is important is not whether a group of young people shows foresight and wisdom in conducting their actions, but whether or not they conduct them at all. Foresight and wisdom come with age; motivation to act must develop young.

"We hope to see a campaign in Northern Virginia that will compliment that campaign in Maryland, and we will have to see what the fall brings. Many people have already been arrested, in several communities, and that may preempt this kind of action, but there are many more students, many of whom support these actions, and the police may be greatly underestimating the effects of their arrests."

### EDITOR'S COLUMN

<FROM p.2>

from a couple of sources -- FACTNet, <http://www.xenu.net>, and a private investigation by an individual we are not going to name. It seems that the service provider for the Justice for Daniel Faulkner campaign, <http://www.earthlink.net>, is owned by Scientologists, who have apparently persuaded Sprint Communications to partner with them, and who are providing free service to these people, who are also receiving funds for the newspaper articles.

Scary, huh? For those who don't know, Scientologists are bad people -- they're neo-Fascists who want to round up the rest of us (they call us "SPs") and put us in concentration camps until they "clear" (brainwash) us. Not cool at all, eh?

There's more crap going on, but there's not enough space for it all. Bill is going to be on TV in August or September, and maybe on the radio too. The UAP is going to hopefully be doing (or at least appearing) at some events this fall, but no details yet, and we're negotiating a lot of stuff, so we'll keep you up to date.

Until then, later all, and remember wherever you go, whatever you do, there's only one thing we want -- ANARCHY NOW!

# MARYLAND POLITICS

## GRADUATED LICENSING, et al

Well, it's now official, Governor Spendening has signed the graduated licensing bill, and it goes into effect next summer -- I believe July 1, 1999. If you are 15 or 16, get your license before this goes into effect! If you are too young to do this, then it is time to do what has always been said needs to be done about the driver curfews and drinking age: do NOT get a license claiming your real age at all -- instead, get one with a false birth certificate and claim to be 18 if you look real young, else 21. Also, under the new law, new drivers of ANY age are subject to license suspensions for two or more tickets, so study pursuit driving (police are not allowed to chase you any more in most places around here), learn to lose pigs in side streets (watch for dead ends!), and so on. Also, if you do lose a license, you can always start over with a new ID. As long as you can pass for under 24 or 25, you should not have much trouble getting another SS number to go along with it. Also, the only problem with giving a fake one (you don't need the card, yet), is that if it matches one already in the same state's database, you have a problem. While the feds have held that you must be able to get a license without giving a social security number at all, don't make them look at your other documents too closely by being pushy with this when using fakes. Speaking of SS numbers, don't EVER carry the card -- anywhere --- and don't memorize it either -- pigs always want to know it, their databases depend on it, but you CANNOT be arrested or punished for not having a social security card on you and not knowing the number -- even if you have killed someone, you cannot be compelled to give this.

Spendening is claiming to oppose the ICC, but is generally

believed to be intending to proceed with the highway as soon as the election is over -- he flip-flopped for the election and what's to stop him from doing so again? Some say we are in the "Eye of a hurricane" -- meaning that all is calm now, but as the eye passes the storm will return with full force and fury. All his Demopublican opponents openly support Inter County Con(nection). As far as I know, the only gubernatorial candidate opposing the ICC is write-in Paul Kuhn, so write that name in for Governor in November.

In Congress, anti-abortion fascists are trying to pass a bill that would JAIL anyone, other than the parents, who gives a woman a ride out of state to bypass parental consent laws for abortion or other abortion restrictions. While Clinton says he will veto it and has the votes in the Senate to uphold the veto, Clinton has been known before to run under fire.

Speaking of police states, in June two pigs running a seat-belt checkpoint in at 22nd and P Streets in DC busted and charged UAP activist Paul Kuhn with "assaulting a police officer" after he was arrested for carrying a sign warning motorists of the checkpoint. While no assault occurred, and the charges were dropped the next day, the seatbelt checkpoint had to

be shut down so the officers could go to the station and make the report. As a result, mission success was achieved after being captured. On top of all of this, this incident was mentioned on talk radio when Chief Ramsey was being interviewed, and he claimed that such conduct would not be tolerated.

Finally, speaking of DC, in the mayor's race, the worst candidate running is Jack Evans, a violent anti-prostitution activist, followed by Williams, a control-board carpetbagger. Since they have the same constituency, hopefully they will compete for each other's votes and neutralize each other. Evans recently rammed through another prostitution law that essentially makes it illegal to loiter and talk to five or more people. Originally it would have made it a FELONY to do so while "dressed as a prostitute," but the idea of making a certain style of dress a felony was too much even for the city council. And speaking of sex laws, the yuppie crackdown on the parks around DuPont Circle have been defeated once again, after a campaign was launched to raise the property taxes as punishment -- a tactic borrowed from Justice for Janitors.

## ALSO NOTED:

----- A recent ad in the New York Times, advocating the murder of *Mumia Abu-Jamal*, funded a previously unknown group, "*Justice for Peace/Officer Daniel Faulkner*", may be the work of the *Church of Scientology*, a neo-fascist cult that wants to "clear" the planet by rounding non-Scientologists up into concentration camps and brainwashing them. The virulently anti-Communist cult is believed to have believed that this ad would "garner public support."

----- Ska band *Homegrown*, who's song "*She's Anti-*" sympathetically depicts a female school shooter, will be performing in DC as part of their national tour, August 24th at the *9:30 Club* (along with MXPX and Weston.) The lyrics to "*She's Anti-*" were featured in UAP #76.

# MALIGNANT CHEMIST

## METH AMPHETAMINE

One of the easiest ways to make methamphetamine is from amphetamine. Of course, this assumes you have amphetamine in the first place, but, that given, let's pretend you want to spice it up a bit. The difference between amphetamine and methamphetamine is the addition of a single methyl group (CH<sub>3</sub>) to the amino group sticking off the middle carbon atom in the chain. Fortunately, substituting amines is really simple. Vaporize your amine (your amphetamine) with a bunch of vaporized chloromethane (CH<sub>3</sub>Cl, a solvent) and some gaseous pyridine; the amino group takes the methyl from the chloromethane and lets a hydrogen go. The hydrogen joins the liberated chlorine, and the resulting HCl is soaked up by the pyridine.

Assuming you don't have amphetamine lying around, an easy synthesis with a very high yield is to reduce the condensation product of phenylacetone and methylamine. The benefit of this method is that different amines can be used to produce novel N-alkyl amines (methamphetamine, tertbutylamphetamine, etc.)

Making it from ephedrine or

pseudo-ephedrine is possible. The only difference between methamphetamine and pseudo-ephedrine is the alpha-hydroxyl group. Reacting ephedrine with thionyl chloride replaces the OH with Cl to produce N-methyl-alpha-chloroamphetamine as an intermediate. Hydrogenating this is easy: use lithium aluminum hydride, sodium borohydride, or even hydrogen gas with nickel or platinum metal as a catalyst. The product of this step is N-methylamphetamine and HCl. Evaporate off the water and you have methamphetamine hydrochloride.

A surprisingly simple synthesis is possible from the amino acid phenylalanine, which is available at health food stores for about \$14/100 tablets. Phenylalanine is 2-amino-3-phenylpropanoic acid, which is more or less amphetamine with a COOH where the CH<sub>3</sub> should be at the end of the chain. Thionyl chloride will replace the OH with a Cl, which falls off and is replaced by H when you give it lithium aluminum hydride, sodium borohydride, or hydrogen gas and nickel / platinum. If you use hydrogen and metal for that step, you'll have to reduce the carbonyl group with one of the hydrides, so best save time and effort and use them and do both reductions at once. When the carbonyl is reduced, you now have

amphetamine. Then use the first method to upgrade to methamphetamine.

Note that all of these give you a mix of d- and l- isomers. The d- is cool, the l- is shit. If you have the time, energy, and equipment, separate the two and reprocess the l- into d- by oxidizing it and re-animating it.

Also note that other formulas using Vick's inhalers only produce l-isomers, making the methamphetamine thus produced worthless.

## SUPPLIERS

If you need to find chemicals and other supplies, try contacting one of these distributors:

VWR Scientific, (800-932-5000);

Cole-Parmer (800-323-4340);

\*Chem Lab Supplies (310-973-2391/714-630-7902);

\*The Science Alliance Phone/Fax 414-683-3339

Sigma-Aldrich (800-558-9160);

Alfa-Aesar (800-343-0660);

West L.A. Microscope

National Instruments (512-794-0100)

Cole-Parmer (800-323-4340)

Sargent-Welch (800-727-4368)

Fischer (800-766-7000)

Thomas Scientific (800-345-2100)

Baxter Scientific (300-543-7999)

Alfa Aesar (800-343-0660)

Chemglass (800-843-1794)

Beckman (800-742-2345)

\* indicates that these companies WILL sell chemicals to individuals (as opposed to many who only deal with universities and government.)

Also, check local yellow pages for scientific, chemical, glassware or labware suppliers. They may offer sales of smaller quantities than the big supply houses, and can also act as middleman for purchases of chemicals.

Need how-to's on bombs? E-mail [chemist@overthrow.com](mailto:chemist@overthrow.com).

## COP HUNTER

Here's two from our archives that no one's talked to in a while. Want to tell the cops what you think about them? Drop by their homes in:

---- **Montgomery County, Maryland :** From 355 North in Germantown, turn right onto Apple Dowe Way. A police officer parks on the street, on the right, just past the next intersection, which is Apple Dowe and Brandermill. He lives in one of the townhouses in that community.

---- **Montgomery County, Maryland :** From 355 North in Germantown make a right onto Middlebrook Road. Take Middlebrook to Scenery Drive and make a left. Then make your second right onto Blunt Road. A police officer lives in the first townhouse community on the right.

# FAN MAIL

## HAIL COMRADE?

*<Note: While we had originally intended this space for prisoner's letters only, we are changing it's nature to include letters from anyone who sends them. These are actual letters -- don't worry, we don't believe some of them either>*

Hail Comrade White!

I want to support your bid for School Board. I pray we have candidates for political office in my home county, Fairfax, Virginia.

Education is indoctrination you say, *prima facia* [sic]. What kind of indoctrination do you (education) advocate?

I don't know if I agree with threatening Mr Sher. Law and order may be good depending of who's law and order it is.

I don't see any fascism in the Maryland alternative state. What do you mean by Fascism? Statism/Fascism lost political power in 1945. I don't think a fascist state has been in affect [sic] in many years. Fascism as [sic] died out with Mussolini. It was anti-government international. Mussolini was a communist before he ...

... favor sports, physical education, classical studies, Greek and Latin, Traids [sic] (Vocational Education), English spelling, grammar [sic], writing, reading and composition, math, arithmetic, science, art, music, dance and drama, spiritual and moral training and Education in Ethical and Religious Value.

Your obedient and humble servant,

*<name withheld>*

PS: I saw your leaflets on a lamp post in Georgetown this morning between Pembactor and O St NW.

*<I'm letting Bill field this one -- pg 6 editor>*

I am appreciative of your support of my campaign, and I thank you for your letter. I think it is important to hear he views of everyone who supports anarchists.

Education is indoctrination, and it is for that reason that I am not advocating any specific educational program, and a decentralization of the educational system. It is because the educational system cannot cater to the needs of all students, and cannot teach from all perspectives, that it needs to be broken down into smaller, independent units that can.

An example of this would be the case that has been in the newspaper lately of Ms Christine Schwalm, who's son, Jason, objected to reading a book that he

felt, in the context of the instruction he was receiving, advocated rape and child abuse. He brought this objection to his mother, who asked the public school system to remove the book, *Love in the Time of Cholera*, from required reading lists.

Even though Ms Schwalm has stated she would like to be a censor for children, I spoke on her behalf at a recent meeting, because I felt that the issue was one more of her son's objection than of hers, and that her son had a right to receive an education in the values he desires.

I also feel this demonstrates the inadequacy of any one particular curriculum, and shows that state-run education cannot meet the needs of all citizens.

## 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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## OR GET SOME . . .

Are you a prisoner? Do you feel abandoned? Do you need support, or even just need a pen pal? Would you like to share with the world your view on prison and crime? Write to us, and we'll print your essays and addresses on our new prison support page.

# THE ADVENTURES OF PYRO-GIRL Part 38

## DEATH HAS NO DOMINION

Sometimes I want to just fade away. I don't know if I'm the only one who thinks this, but I look at the world at times and just want to fade, out of material existence, and into another existence, an existence of pure energy and pure mind -- pure me, not hampered by this body I'm forced to drag everywhere.

I wonder about the value of the body. It's so corrupt, so impure. It exists for a while, always imperfect, always unsuited to the tasks at hand, and then it decays, and then you die.

What is death? Is it a separation of the body and spirit? Do you live on after death?

I think death is a lot like flame -- it consumes a body, and then turns it into energy, and then the energy is free, and it escapes, and it is dissolved back into the universal energy, until it sparks forth again.

As I was walking through DC my body felt dead -- it was as if I was dragging along a corpse, and the corpse was holding me back. I had eaten and tried

to shower but I still felt hungry and dirty, and tired -- and that last one can be a killer.

I crossed the bridge from in front of George Washington University to Georgetown, and started to walk down M Street (that's the main drag of Georgetown, where all the shops are -- M Street and Wisconsin is the major intersection at the heart of the shopping area, and Wisconsin is also littered with lots of little shops. If you think of DC like a square, M Street is the East-West main road, and Wisconsin is the

**"I think death is a lot like flame -- it consumes a body, and then turns it into energy."**

North-South main road.)

I didn't like how people looked at me as I walked down M. They kinda looked at me like I was one of the bums. I don't know -- I must have been a bit disheveled, with my hair mostly uncombed and the rest, but I thought I looked better than that. Maybe it was just paranoia. I walked a few blocks down, past the ice cream shops, past the Starbucks, past all the

yuppie restraints and the big, three-story Barnes and Nobles bookstore and the rest, down to Wisconsin. I looked at all the people and how happy they were, and I then I thought about them dying, and then it thought about them burning, and then I felt a bit better. Their happy sumgness made me angry.

I crossed Wisconsin, I looked left and could see Canal Street and the Potomac, and I thought about going there later, and I passed Georgetown Park Mall -- a rich, fancy mall with four floors (I think) of really nice, really expensive shops. It kinda pissed me off. Then I walked down two more blocks, crossed the road, and decided to sit down. I sat down at this little brick wall on the side of a store called Smash. It's not a bad store, but it's one of these ones which specializes in selling "punk" and alternative stuff. It's always makes me wonder why people think they're punk or whatever when they're buying \$160 boots or mass-produced patches to sew on their jackets. But you can get good CDs there, and they have lots of flyers for shows, so I guess it's not that bad. I don't know.

So I sat down, half nodding off, half thinking. It was mid afternoon. It had become sunny, though it was still kinda chilly, because it was late in the year. The air felt good, even if I felt dirty and tired. I was began to fantasize and remember -- "Lovers are lost, but love is not; and death has no dominion here" -- I guess that's my memory. I thought about happier times, happier nice days. I thought about spending time with people, when people cared about me. I kinda faded in and out of reality, but it was nice.

## ARE YOU A RUNAWAY WHO'S ALL ALONE?

If you're out there and alone, feeling abandoned and angry and don't know what to do, don't turn to social services, don't turn to the cops, and, before you turn to pyro-mania, turn to us -- the UAP runaway support service.

If you're young and alone and in need of somewhere to stay you know you can't trust anyone tied into the authorities, which is why you can trust us -- we're unlicensed, unaccredited and don't give a damn about the law. To reach us immediately, page (202) 945-5997, and for more info, contact us via E-mail at [runaways@overthrow.com](mailto:runaways@overthrow.com)

Wanna talk to your favorite pyro? E-mail her at [pyrogirl@overthrow.com](mailto:pyrogirl@overthrow.com).

## ESSAYS -- COMMUNISM

## THE COMMUNIST MANIFESTO

A specter is haunting Europe -- the specter of communism. All the powers of old Europe have entered into a holy alliance to exorcise this specter: Pope and Czar, Metternich and Guizot, French radicals and German police spies.

Where is the party in opposition that has not been decried as communists by its opponents in power? Where the opposition that has not hurled back the branding reproach of communism against the more advanced opposition parties, as well as against its reactionary adversaries.

Two things result from this fact:

I. Communism is already acknowledged by all European powers to be itself a power.

II. It is high time that communists should openly, in the face of the whole world, publish their views, their aims, their tendencies, and meet this nursery tale of the specter of communism with a Manifesto of the party itself.

In what relation do the Communists stand to the proletarians as a whole? The Communists do not form a separate party opposed to the other working-class parties.

They have no interests separate and apart from those of the proletariat as a whole.

They do not set up any sectarian principles of their own, by which to shape and mold the proletarian movement.

The Communists are distinguished from the other working-class parties by this only:

(1) In the national struggles of the proletarians of the different countries, they point out and bring to the front the common interests of the entire proletariat, independently of all nationality.

(2) In the various stages of development which the struggle of the working class against the bourgeoisie has

to pass through, they always and everywhere represent the interests of the movement as a whole.

The Communists, therefore, are on the one hand practically, the most advanced and resolute section of the working-class parties of every country, that section which pushes forward all others; on the other hand, theoretically, they have over the great mass of the proletariat the advantage of clearly understanding the lines of march, the conditions, and the ultimate general results of the proletarian movement.

The immediate aim of the Communists is the same as that of all other proletarian parties: Formation of the proletariat into a class, overthrow of the bourgeois supremacy, conquest of political power by the proletariat.

The conclusions of the Communists are in no way based on ideas or principles that have been invented, or discovered, by this or that would be reformer.

They merely express, in general terms, actual relations springing from an existing class struggle, from a historical movement going on under our very eyes. The abolition of existing property relations is not at all a distinctive feature of communism.

All property relations in the past have continually been subject to historical change consequent upon the change in historical conditions.

The French Revolution, for example, abolished feudal property in favor of bourgeois property.

The distinguishing feature of communism is not the abolition of property generally, but the abolition of bourgeois property. But modern bourgeois private property is the final and most complete expression of the system of producing and appropriating products that is based on class antagonisms, on the exploitation of the many by the few.

In this sense, the theory of the Communists may be summed up in the single sentence: Abolition of private property.

## THE INTERNATIONALE

*Arise ye prisoners of starvation  
Arise ye wretched of the earth,  
For justice thunders condemnation,  
A better world's in birth.  
No more tradition's chain shall bind us.  
Arise, ye slaves; no more in thrall!  
The earth shall rise on new foundation,  
We have been naught, we shall be all.*

*[chorus] 'Tis the final conflict,  
Let each stand in his place,  
The Internationale  
Unites the human race.*

*We want no condescending saviors,  
To rule us from a judgement hall;  
We workers ask not for their favors,  
Let us consult for all.  
To make the thief disgorge his [boot?]!  
To free the spirit from its cell,  
We must ourselves decide our duty,  
We must decide and do it well.*

*Behold them seated in their glory,  
The Kings of mine and rail and soil!  
What have you read in all their story,  
But how they plundered toil?  
Fruits of the people's toil are buried  
In the strong coffers of a few;  
In voting for their restitution,  
The men will only ask their due.*

*Toilers from shops and fields united,  
The Party we of all who work;  
The earth belongs to us, the people,  
No room here for the shirk!  
How many on their flesh have fattened!  
But if the noisome birds of prey  
Shall vanish from the sky some morning,  
The blessed sunlight still will stay.*

## ESSAYS -- ANTI-SCHOOL

### SCHOOL ABOLITION

When we take a group of people, disenfranchise them, manipulate them, and exploit them for the benefit of another group, history has shown us that this group revolts, using whatever means at hand, and, eventually conquers. However, today, in the modern age, we think that we can somehow treat young people in this fashion and not have them act accordingly. Well, time's are a changing, and we are in the process of being proven wrong.

Historically, young people have been unable to effectively revolt, as the definition of "young person" has included exclusively those who were physically and mentally inferior (due to lack of development) from the adults. Including only those unable to revolt, this segment could not, by definition become revolutionary.

In the modern era, this changes. Young people are no longer five and six and eight year olds, but sixteen, eighteen and, under some laws, twenty year olds -- people who are more than capable of seizing for themselves the rights that are their due. When fully capable adults are considered young, and are discriminated against, we see revolution begin to brew, and we see young people take revolutionary acts to undermine the authority which oppresses them.

The public school system is the primary source of youth oppression. No other group of people is compelled, under force of law, to give up seven to eight hours of their day in an institution designed not to benefit but to irreparably harm them. While all of us are compelled by economic necessity to work, often for seven to eight hours today, sometimes in harmful institutions. If we choose not to work, as many thousands do, we are not compelled by force of arms into slave labor (though there was a time in this country

when that was acceptable -- for some.)

The contentions made to justify this confiscation of young people's time is that "young people do not know what is good for them" and that "school is good for them", two postulates which are absolutely false. A "young person" of thirteen or fourteen four hundred years ago was less developed and enjoyed a lower standard of living than a young person of today, and yet survived well enough (given the standards of the day) without being compelled into school. Young people of sixteen and seventeen have, in history, been considered of age to fight wars and to carry weapons freely and openly (and responsibly). Young people

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of eighteen today are still considered of age to fight wars (though no one in our society, except perhaps residents of Arizona, seem worthy of the trust needed to carry weapons openly anymore.) We have trusted young people, even young people of four hundred, a thousand, or two thousand years ago, all of whom were less well developed than the young people of today, to exercise great judgement, and yet today, when young people are bigger, smarter and better developed, we deny them even basic responsibility over their own education, something which is allegedly for their benefit!

So it comes as no surprise that what we have is not a system of education, and not a system for the benefit of youth. Why would our government compel people capable of making their own decisions into school unless it had a reason for it -- and it does! The purpose of the school system is not to educate young people but to indoctrinate adults. And as all young people, even those of five or six years old, are future adults, our government reasons "why not being then?" There's an old adage from Adolf Hitler about "Give me

the children," and it is an adage our government follows well.

So what is the solution? There are only two alternatives -- home schooling and private schools, and, as they exist today, neither presents a completely attractive alternative, as both are controlled to a large degree by institutions that present ignorance and brainwashing of a much similar type. Home schooling is the realm of cultists and idiots of all varieties, from the lunatic Christian to the Scientologist, and private schooling is to a large degree controlled by churches and religious groups, who provide an education that is guaranteed to keep these future Christians and other indoctrinees filling the pews and providing the donations.

While what is needed is a privatization of the schools, insofar as that means a removal of the schools from the control of the government, but what is also needed is a change in the nature of private schooling, a change that is likely to naturally emerge from the dissolution of the public system. After all, employers need employees with skills, many individuals feel personally motivated to achieve (and to provide) high education, and our society needs people who are raised with certain social values, so what we are likely to see is a socialization of the learning process, where every element of society contributes to bring up the individuals society (and not the government alone) needs.

The argument against this is that there will be those who fail, but this is ridiculous -- there are always those who fail, and, insofar as their failure is the result of their decisions, they have a right to fail, and we the people must respect that.

In short, what is needed is the abolition of the school system and its replacement by a system of socialized schooling where every element of society contributes to the development of the young.

## ESSAYS -- ANTI-PATRIOTISM

## AGAINST PATRIOTISM

Nationalism and fascism (and their euphemism, "patriotism") have been the scourges of the 20th Century. The feelings they evoke have started two world wars (and scores of smaller ones), have instigated three major series of genocide (and again, scores of smaller ones). Their variants, racism and religious fanaticism, have provoked systems of inequity whose effects still plague the world today. While the evils of nationalism and its variants are not limited to the 20th Century (throughout history there have been hundreds, if not thousands of wars fought for nothing more than country or religion, and hundreds of pogroms launched), the solutions to it, internationalism, socialism (of the non-Statist variety) and "godless" spiritualism, are ideologies which have only developed in this century (though again, their roots, particularly in the case of internationalism and socialism, lay in the nineteenth century and before.)

World War I was started by nationalist rivalry. World War II was started with the emergence of a national socialist [sic] state. The Holocaust was a result of nationalist (and its cousin, racist) furor. The Soviet extermination of "political" opponents was, to a very large degree, founded more in nationalist "socialist" [sic] hatred of non-Russians. And the Chinese "Cultural Revolution" was a direct result of the "third world national" socialist [sic] regime of Mao Tse-Tung. Even "minor" genocide, like the genocide recently in Rwanda, or in Armenia in the 1910s, or in Iraq now, is either a direct result of, or is heavily tied in with, nationalist (or its cousin "tribal") hatreds.

The question of the origin emerges, and, curiously to some, it does not find its answer the hearts of the working class masses. While nationalism (or its euphemism "patriotism") is often found deeply there, it does not start there, for how can an ideology of the state origi-

nate in a group that has no natural inclination towards the state? The state is not constituted of the people, and it has not, in any case, ever been constituted by general consent of the people (even in America, the Constitution was written and signed by delegates, who claimed to represent the people, but who were drawn exclusively from the land-owning and mercantile upper classes.) The state is constituted by the elite, and as the state is a creation of the elite, it is natural that patriotism, as an ideology, be a product of the elite.

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than the business men (and their pawns) who must deal regularly with other businessmen (and their pawns) around the world, in every country? However, like most of the goods these businessmen create, the fact that they do not use the product does not mean they do not manufacture it for the use and consumption by others. And, like Nike shoes or Coca-Cola soda, American patriotism is a product sold on a daily basis to millions of unsuspecting people who pay dearly for that "American" brand name, often in war, and often with their lives.

And what does the American brand bring with it? It is true that Americans enjoy a higher quality of life than citizens of the other nations of the world, but that position is untenable, and has between little and nothing to do with the piece of ground that Americans happen to occupy. True, unlike Cuba or North Korea, Americans are fortunate enough to control sufficient resources to be self-sufficient, and unlike Russia and the Soviet Union, the American economy began a course of imperialism much earlier, and was able to start the so called "historic confrontation" of capitalism and alleged communism (really the "historic confrontation" of two monopoly systems) with greater

infrastructure, but in general the American soil itself has not conferred a higher standard of living on its occupants (after all, how well do, and did, American Indian tribes live?) In short, Americans enjoy a high standard of living not because of their nationality, but because they happen to have been born in a country ruled by a group that has played the game of exploit and pillage better than any other group in the world, and have achieved a temporary, but untenable, economic hegemony over the world.

Americans are patriotic because they are fed patriotism, and because their patriotism benefits the ruling class. They go along with patriotism because they know no better, and because their ruling class happens to have momentarily achieved dominance. However, their system, responsible as it is for wars and genocide, and being indistinguishable from the nationalist systems in other countries which have brought to their people war and genocide, is certain to fail, begging the question of what will replace it. There are two choices - reborn nationalism, with the failure that inevitably ensues, or true internationalism and socialism, where one's economic activities are directed towards bettering, not exploiting, the lives of not just the people of your country or your race, but of all people, everywhere.

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