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Any people anywhere, being inclined and having the power, have the right to rise up and shake off the existing government and form a new one that suits them better. This is a most valuable and sacred right—a right we hope and believe is to liberate the world.

Abraham Lincoln, 1848

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FREE

volume 1, number 2

a record review

"Imagine there's no heaven
It's easy if you try
No hell below us
Above us only sky
Imagine all the people
living for today..."

"Imagine there's no countries
It isn't hard to do
Nothing to kill or die for
And no religion too
Imagine all the people
Living life in peace..."

"Imagine no possessions
I wonder if you can
No need for greed or hunger
A brotherhood of man
Imagine all the people
Sharing all the world..."

"You may say I'm a dreamer
But I'm not the only one
I hope someday you'll join us
And the world will be as one."

Right on!

@1971 by John Lennon

NEW LIFE VOCATIONS, a program set up by two SJS graduate assistants, offers counseling and literature to students interested in finding jobs that provide alternatives in employment, with emphasis on vocations for social change. 122 South Ninth Street, 294-6414, ext. 2861, or pick up their pamphlet in the ASB Office of the Student Union.

A silent vigil is being held every Thursday from noon until one o'clock at 1st and Santa Clara Streets, until Americans stop killing and being killed in Vietnam. The undertaking was started by a San Jose interfaith group. For more information call 297-2299.

The FRESH FRUIT CONSPIRACY is selling organic and regular fruit at cheap and flexible prices, at the 7th and San Carlos Street entrance to San Jose State every day.

The RECYCLING ASSOCIATION of America has opened a center at 2940 S. Bascom Ave. Call 371-6680 or 287-9803.

DRUG COMMUNICATION, Inc., 247 South First Street, 275-9560, is open 24 hours every day for raps over coffee, help with freakouts etc. Run by people from the drug scene.

MURDERERS LOOSE IN THE COMMUNITY!

On Sept. 19th, a Black man, John Henry Smith Jr., was bleeding to death on the streets of San Jose. Smith, a 37-year-old IBM research chemist was stopped by police about 4:30 A.M. that day near his apartment on Norwalk Drive for an alleged traffic violation. Minutes later he was pronounced dead from a bullet that had entered through his back and lodged in his heart.

Smith, described by friends and associates as an easy-going, non-militant guy of high moral character apparently lost his temper when Officers Rocklin Wooley, Darrell Richter, Robert Watts and police dog Fredo hassled him for a minor traffic violation. The incident was described to the Red Eye newspaper by an anonymous female onlooker in this way: Officer Wooley pulled Smith over about a block from his house that Sunday morning. An unmarked car then stopped and two off-duty policemen who failed to identify themselves (Officers Richter and Watts) began searching Smith's car.

Smith got mad and began threatening the policemen with iron until maced him in the face. Wooley then set a police dog on Smith and most of his clothing was torn off. Smith then ran towards his apartment house, screaming for help, and shot him in the back. (Two neighbors, Fred St. Claire and Ed Moscibrocki both reported hearing a man cry for help and then a shot.)

When the Mercury-News first ran the story, they forgot to mention that Smith was a black man. They also didn't mention anything about Officer Wooley's racist reputation in the black community, that he had about a year ago been involved in the unexplained macing of a black youth that caused a certain furor.

Police Chief Robert Murphy immediately publicly prejudged the case by stating "Smith was acting under the influence of something." Of course the autopsy a few days later revealed Smith neither to be drunk or under the influence of drugs. Murphy upheld Wooley's actions, deciding the case in his favor, and awarded him a paid leave of absence to calm his bad case of "nerves". The Mercury forgot to mention that Murphy had been accused of racism and encouragement of excessive acts of violence by black policemen in his old district. A back issue of the S.F. Chronicle tells the story of how nine black officers working under Murphy in Richmond had to draw up a petition of grievances, since Murphy refused to meet with them under ordinary terms, that charged racism was rampant in the attitude towards black officers by their su-

YOU CAN'T FIGHT
CITY HALL!



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the grapevine

UNDERGROUND CINEMA at the Towne Theater, 1433 The Alameda, is presenting a series of erotic & other films every Saturday night at midnight for \$1.50, with free coffee. (And if you missed Tricia's Wedding by the Cockettes or the recent Jagger-Hendrix-Cocker-Redding-Traffic spectacular, you really missed something cause they were out of sight.)

RICARDO'S, 218 Willow Street, presents Childhood's End and other live bands every Thurs-Sun at 9:00, for 50¢ (\$1 if you're under 21).

A FREE CLINIC of sorts is open every Monday and Thursday nights from 5-9 PM at 151 West Mission, sponsored by the Health Department. This "Free Youth Clinic" will treat any ailment.

UNDERGROUND RECORDS is now selling all \$4.98 list albums for \$2.95, with \$5.98 albums for \$3.52, compared to \$3.76 and \$4.46 at Discorama, and \$4.19 & \$4.99 at the Music Box.

THE FOX THEATER is now showing double bills like Patton/MASH or Woodstock/Celebration at Big Sur for an amazing 50¢. South First and San Carlos, 293-7007.

THE TAMALE FACTORY, 1139 East William, 295-6647, accepts Food Stamps for meals.

NICKEL COFFEE is available at Burger Chef, on Fourth and San Fernando, after 6:00.

Next time you are tripping along on your radio dial, try tuning into KTAO, 95.3 FM, a loose community station from Los Gatos that features total requests and no commercials.

KSJO has cut back to eight commercials an hour...

A good, cheap breakfast is available at PAULA'S BREAKFAST NOOK, 17 South Fourth Street.

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We are being POISONED!

Primitive tribes all over the world today have one thing in common--excellent nutrition and health. Cancer, heart and kidney disease, tooth decay, high blood pressure, polio and other degenerative kinds of diseases simply do not exist. Yet in America, cancer kills more than 250,000 people a year, a rate that has more than doubled since 1900. Some doctors have estimated that 25% of the population has cancer at any one time. Deaths from cancer in children has increased over 50% in the last decade! America has been pronounced "one of the most unhealthy countries in the world" with regard to heart disease, which kills nearly 400,000 people here every year. An autopsy of soldiers killed in the Korean conflict revealed that approximately 80% of these supposedly healthy young specimens were also suffering from heart disease, and the results from Vietnam are similar. Somehow in our most prosperous of lands the rate of sickness and death from these diseases is on a staggering increase.

Evidence shows this has largely to do with what we eat: that we are being systematically and irresponsibly poisoned by businessmen in their quest for greater profits. In the early days of this country, food was generally unadulterated. But as business expanded, food manufacturers discovered that they could make more money and produce more goods by adding chemicals to food. Almost everything sold in a supermarket has been tampered with in some way. Many of these chemicals have been banned as evidence conclusively linked them with liver damage, cancer, etc. But a third of the chemicals now in use have never even been thoroughly tested. And on the basis of past results, even the Public Health Service has warned that about one-fourth of the chemicals now in use will be found to be cancer-producing.

The line of the food manufacturers and even the government's official "protective" agency, the Food and Drug Administration, is that a harmful substance taken in small enough amounts will cease to be harmful. Yet this is directly contradicted by the well-substantiated fact that DDT, for instance, is a cumulative poison, that it accumulates in the body with each exposure and stays until the last injection brings on death from poisoning. (And doctors' testimony is that Americans today have 3 to 10 times as much DDT stored in their body fat as they did in 1950.) This is also true of the estrogens injected into beef cattle. A panel of doctors has revealed that a continuing exposure to extremely minute doses is much more likely to bring on cancerous tumors than large doses. The truth is that the FDA doesn't even care to find out if these substances are harmful and serves more to mask the abuses of industry from the people than to protect the people from industry.

DDT has repeatedly been shown to cause diseases of the skin, liver, blood, brain, nervous system and more in fourteen different species of animals. Most of the U.S. certified dyes (artificial food coloring) have been demonstrated to cause cancer in animals. This with the knowledge that "The most sensitive of animals is man. If you can cause harm to any animal with anything, that material...is unsafe for man." (Dr. Edward Eagle) And this is the case with many of the pesticides, hormones, preservatives, and stabilizers being added to foods today.

We can only be horrified at the charges that the hormones injected into meat have been shown to cause breast cancer in women and sterility in men, that chickens are being fed arsenic to increase egg production, that the shipping of cattle and chicken under the influence of antibiotics has led to increased resistance to antibiotics in patients for whom they are the only chance of survival, that the amount of of sugar in a cola drink will completely dissolve a tooth left in it overnight, that ice cream includes mattress stuffing and that cottage cheese contains plaster of paris as a filler.

Where is the government agency that is supposed to be protecting us from all this?!

From **THE POISONS IN YOUR FOOD**
BY WILLIAM LONGGOOD

a consumer's guide to hamburger

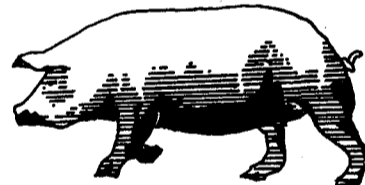
Almost half the beef eaten in the U.S. is hamburger--11.3 billion pounds a year, or 55 pounds for every man, woman, and child in the country. A recent Consumer Reports survey (August 1971) revealed that this blind act of faith is often unwarranted, as clinical tests showed that 20% of the samples were well on their way to putrefaction, that most contained dangerous amounts of coliform bacteria (indicative of fecal contamination and disease-carrying organisms), that some contained insect parts or rodent hairs or illegal amounts of fat.

Consumer Reports consultants tested hamburger from all areas of both Philadelphia and Los Angeles under rigorous scientific conditions. Their study also showed many frozen hamburger products with excessively high bacteria counts (in spite of the freezing process), that exhibited toughness, rancidness, and unpleasant off-flavors; meat extended with soy flour or water, signs of freezer burn and dehydration, gristle and bone chips. This for meat that cost over 60% the average price of fresh hamburger.

Snack bars and drive-ins in the New York City area were also tested. Surprisingly, they usually sold meat of better quality than that found in supermarkets, although costing quite a bit more. Most had been handled and stored more carefully than the supermarket products and showed little evidence of padding or contamination. This may simply be the result of a recent crackdown on inferior hamburger by New York City's Department of Consumer Affairs. Anyway it is a far cry from the MacDonald's that was busted in Southern California in recent history for extending their meat with sawdust.

So be aware next time you go shopping for hamburger. Markets frequently wrap old, spoiled hamburger with a thin layer of fresh pink meat so it will look good to customers. They may inject old brown meat with food coloring or display it under pink lights. Better to buy cheap cuts of unground beef and grind it yourself at home, or have it ground in front of you at the store. At least cook it until it's really super well done. Or give up meat eating entirely and try macrobiotics.

Boycott SAFEWAY



Safeway Stores, Inc., the second largest chain store in the nation still refuses to carry UFWOC labeled grapes. An explanation for Safeway's stubborn refusal to carry union grapes lies with the store's directors who control a total of 1,000,000 acres or more of agricultural land and have received a total of \$6,972,246 in federal subsidies.

By far the most powerful controller of Safeway is the J.G. Boswell Co., of King County, Calif., which controls close to 150,000 acres of agricultural land and is the world's largest grower of cotton. Boswell, who also grows grapes, still won't sign with the United Farmworkers. Last year Boswell actually brought in high school football teams and their coaches as strikebreakers to pick grapes. Safeway's Chairman, Robert A. McGowan, is a director for the J.G. Boswell Co. (!) and has gone out of his way to buy their non-union grapes. Boswell, who employs 15,000 people, owns a private airport and two private planes, has also ripped off the U.S. taxpayers for \$7.4 million in farm subsidy payments in the last two years.

Obviously, Boswell is one of the biggest agri-capitalists in the world and has tremendous political power. But Boswell and the other directors of Safeway seem to forget that political power goes towards two poles--those who have the money and those who have the people. By refusing to buy at Safeway, we can force criminals like Boswell and McGowan to sign a contract with the farmworkers who have already suffered much too long.

If you would like to help the farmworkers in more ways call the UFWOC office at 292-4651.

2 For further information on agribusiness read "The Agriwelfare Roll" in Ramparts, Oct. 1971 (75¢).



FOR PROFIT

Every time a funeral procession goes by in Guatemala, the likelihood is that the body was that of a child under five. 75% of the children here are suffering from epidemic malnutrition. Half of those born in the last few years will die before they reach the ripe old age of five, and thousands more will carry serious mental damage into their later life.

In fact, of all the people dying in poor nations, more than 40% are children under five years old. As soon as they are weaned off breast milk, their staple food becomes corn or rice, foods with insufficient and low-grade protein. This imbalance could largely be remedied by the addition of a high-protein food, such as milk, to the diet. But the United States effort in this area is largely responsible for keeping these children starving.

The United States has donated several billion dollars worth of powdered milk and other products to the underdeveloped world, under Public Law 480. But this program is designed, not to feed starving children, but to help American farmers make money on their surplus produce. One small part of this program consists of donations, which develop a taste in the poor nation for the American product; and tends to squeeze out local producers in the foreign country. When the hungry nation becomes dependant on the U.S., this part of the program is cut off, and the country must buy the food under another section of the program. Eventually this too is cut off, and the poor country must buy the food at even greater cost on the commercial market.

Other evidence of American power is found in Costa Rica, where half the children under five are malnourished. A crisis is sweeping over the local milk industry--milk production is dropping tremendously as farmers are selling their dairy cows. What has happened is that the U.S. has begun importing large quantities of beef. So dairymen are switching to beef cattle to

take advantage of beef export trade to the U.S., rather than produce milk to keep the country's children from dying. Already the population of dairy cattle in Costa Rica has decreased by 65%.

In Guatemala, the government has allowed its own milk plant, Pro-Lac, to fail because of the handiness of the CARE program. It costs the government \$300,000 a year, but 75% of the CARE product goes to school children, and only 10% to the children under five who make up half the deaths in the country. Of the two largest local dairies, one, Foremost, sends 95% of its profits back to the U.S., while the other, La Pradera, is thinking of converting over to beef cattle.

A high quality protein mixture



called Incaparina has been developed as a substitute for milk. To feed only the children under five, 20 million pounds per year would be required. Incaparina sales in Guatemala are under 3 million pounds per year with the greatest use of the product by the middle class. Furthermore U.S. pressure to continue CARE has stopped the Guatemalan government from distributing Incaparina to children in nutrition centers.

There is no reason why people in Latin America should be starving. The continent is actually underpopulated, having 16% of the world's habitable land and only 6% of its people. Only 30% of the arable land is actually cultivated, and that land is underutilized, with per acre yield of the large plantations only one-fourth that of small farms. And in Guatemala, only 2.1% of the farms contain 62% of the arable land. But even if they were to increase their yields, it would not make any difference to the Guatemalan people, since these lands are used purely to grow crops to export to the developed world. Guatemalan land was used centuries ago to produce blue dye for English textiles. When this market was outgrown, the land was converted to fulfill the world demand for coffee. When there was a big demand for bananas in the U.S., it was switched to bananas. And the most recent shift is toward beef cattle.

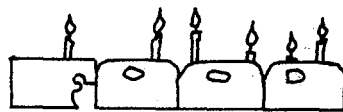
So malnutrition in these countries is undeniably a result of the marriage between U.S. imperialism and local capitalism. Agriculture develops in response to the desires of the U.S. and not to the desperate needs of its own people. This problem cannot be solved by more U.S. handouts, by the efforts of nutrition experts or through birth control; it will not be solved until the people of Latin America retake and reorder the land that is rightfully theirs.

FROM TOM BODENHEIMER'S
"GUATEMALA: FOOD FOR PROFIT"
RAMPARTS Oct 1971/75¢

STAMPS

All you food stamps recipients better start thinking of alternative methods of meeting your household expenses. New food stamp rules are going into effect at the end of October that will bar any people living in a household that are "not related by blood or marriage," from receiving stamps. This includes everyone living with roommates in a house or apartment. Meant to smash young people's communes, this legislation will also affect migrant workers and any really poor people that through economic necessity are forced to share housing with other people.

There's no telling how this new ruling will affect you--it will probably depend on how the local Welfare Bureau and your own worker decide to enforce the law, and on when your next re-certification date comes up. If you are dropped, demand a fair hearing and call up Welfare Rights (299-1121). Hopefully, this new ordinance will be ruled unconstitutional (as denying equal protection under the law), and they might not get around to cutting you off before it happens. But in the meantime thousands of people may lose their only means of feeding themselves.



Conspiracy

The San Jose Food Conspiracy is a cooperative venture in food purchasing. To join, go to the house on 212 South 18th Street, Wednesday night from 6-8. You pay \$1.50 for a week's worth of fruits and vegetables that they buy in quantity at the produce market and you pick up on Thursday between 4-6. Pay 95¢ for a flat of 30 organic eggs and \$1.80 for a 3½ pound organically grown chicken every Thursday and pick them up the following Thursday as you place your next order. They also offer organic grains once a month from the New Age Distributors. 297-4513. The 12th Street Food Conspiracy also offers a week's worth of fresh fruits and vegetables for \$1.50. To contact them, call Ric Collier at 297-3520 or 294-6416 ext. 2214.

MACROBIOTICS

AN ALTERNATIVE

A friend of mine visited about two months ago and related some startling facts about the poison normally included in foods bought from local grocery stores. Curiosity drove me to buy some books on the subject. I was particularly fascinated by You Are All Sanpaku by Georges Ohsawa.

One section was devoted to the treating and prevention of illnesses such as cancer, heart disease, toothaches, headaches, dandruff, cramps, etc., through the use of natural foods and macrobiotic principles (People in macrobiotics use a theory that is quite different from those people that just eat health foods). I was naturally very skeptical but none the less interested in investigating these cures for myself. At the time I had a skin disease which doctors told me was chronic and unnameable and a bad case of dandruff. I was very weak and getting fatter every day. After two weeks on a macrobiotic diet my skin disease and dandruff were cleared up completely. I am gaining strength every day and losing weight just as fast, having dropped 40 pounds in just two months. My entire sensory experience has been heightened and foods that I once considered bland and dull are now becoming not only palatable but delicious and a pleasure to eat and drink.

Another outstanding feature of macrobiotics is the cost. Even cheaper than vegetarian diets, it should cut your monthly food bill anywhere from one-fourth to one-third of what you are now paying for junk food.

Books on macrobiotics can be found in any health food store. The most well-known authority on the subject is Georges Ohsawa. His writings reflect the customs and traditions of his time, therefore his applications of macrobiotic principles may not apply to contemporary America. Use your own judgment. An excellent new book by John Bigler that updates macrobiotic applications should be hitting the bookstands within a few months.

The basic food in macrobiotics is cereals, particularly short-grain organic brown rice. There are macrobiotic recipes however for foods as diverse as spaghetti, pies, and pizza. Here is a basic brown rice recipe requiring:

½ teaspoon sea salt, 1 cup short-grain brown rice, 2 to 3 cups of Black Mountain Spring Water, Morga vegetable bouillon cubes (optional--follow package directions for water ratio), olive, sesame, or corn oil, and organic vegetables of your choice in season: carrots, mushrooms, celery, bell peppers, bean sprouts, cucumbers, squash, onions, or garlic.

Bring water to boil in an earthenware, iron, or ceramic skillet. Add rice and cover. Simmer until a small crust forms on the bottom of the pan, about one hour. Don't stir the rice while simmering. If you use bouillon cubes, dissolve in water before the rice is added. When the rice is done add about 3 tablespoons of oil to the pan. Cut up raw vegetables and toss with rice until the vegetables are warm. The proportion of rice to vegetables should be about five to one. Essential vitamins are lost when you overheat or peel vegetables, with the exception of cucumbers which are coated with wax. Season to taste with tamari sauce, salt, and/or sesame salt.

This recipe should cost you less than the great all-American grease combination of superburger and french fries.

Health foods should be available for everybody at a low and reasonable cost. One way of achieving this is by going directly to the wholesaler and omitting the middleman, in other words, a health food conspiracy. People interested in organizing or participating in such a co-op or in talking about macrobiotics should call Wally at 275-0390.



Don't get the idea that I'm one of these goddam radicals. Don't get the idea that I'm knocking the American system.

Al Capone, gangster, 1929

the grapevine

ARTISTS' SWITCHBOARD will find you cheap or free studio space.

Crafts on consignment are wanted by a new shop at 323 1st St. in Los Altos. Call 941-7630.

Experimental College is offering three classes:

PRINCIPLES OF HUMANITY	7:00	Ch 160	Th
CO-OPS (HOUSING, FOOD)	2:00	Ed 238	T
SEMINAR ON NONVIOLENCE	295-2035	ask for	Shorty Collins

Do your thing for ecology and save money besides by shopping at RECYCLE BOOKSTORE, 186 S. 2nd Street, 286-6275 (they'll also buy or trade and have used records), or at TWICE READ BOOKS, 81 E. San Fernando St., 294-3768.

Get comix at MARVEL GALAXY, 44 E. San Fernando St., 293-3711.

SAN JOSE WOMEN'S LIB meets every Tuesday at 7:30 in the Guadalupe Room of the Student Union, or call 295-4387.

XANTHIPPE, San Jose State women's literary magazine, is now on sale from the women's table for 50¢.

THE WOMEN'S ABORTION COALITION is sponsoring an action conference on abortion Oct. 15 and 16 at UC Berkeley. Call 415-864-0500.

NOW is sponsoring a conference on women in politics at Stanford YWCA, Nov. 13. For more information, call 241-2457 or 297-8042.

NOW meets the first Sunday of each month at 7:00 at the Sunnyvale Co-op. Call 241-2457 or 297-8042.

If you are pregnant, abortion counseling is available from PROBLEM PREGNANCY, 326-3918, or from PLANNED PARENTHOOD, 294-3032. They will refer you to a doctor who will perform an abortion for under \$200 within a week.

GAY LIBERATION meets every Thursday night at Jonah's Wail.

A FREE SCHOOL for children three and up is being started at 1115 Bellingham Drive. Anyone interested in volunteering their services or enrolling a child should contact Carol at 225-9375.

PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSELING is available from Building K, on Ninth Street across from the Student union. 294-6414.

Listen for announcements of events at the TOWN AND COUNTRY LODGE in Ben Lomond, 336-9983, said by some to be the best club and recreation area in the entire South Bay.

THE PEACE AND FREEDOM PARTY is making an effort to place an initiative on the Nov. 1972 ballot to tax capital gains (like money made from the sale of stock and real estate) on the same basis as earned income (like wages and salaries) since the present loophole allows capital gains to be taxed only half as much. People interested in working on this project should write to THE COMMITTEE TO END TAX LOOPHOLES, 1220½ E. San Antonio Street, San Jose 95116.

If you're plagued by flies, throw away that No-Pest Strip that is also lethal to humans and buy some good old-fashioned flypaper (by Aeroxon) from your local Payless drug store for a thrifty 10¢.

Organic GARDENING

INTRODUCTION

Organic gardening is on the rise and rightly so. Basically it consists of using only natural substances in your garden--nothing artificial.

There are several reasons why people young and old are turning to the organic way. Probably the most often heard is the effort to get away from possibly dangerous chemical pesticides and fertilizers. (I won't say whether or not they are dangerous because I am no expert. I will only say I believe them to be so and let everyone form his own opinion.)

Another reason is money. It can be far more economical to use nature's best than man's worst.

And there is the claim of all of mamma nature's followers that their fruits and vegetables are larger, tastier, and generally better than those assaulted with chemicals.

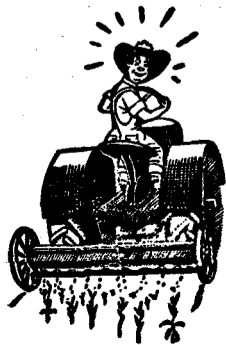
And I must mention that organic gardening is the answer to a large part of the land pollution problem. For example: newspapers (waste the day after they're produced) can be composted or used as mulch. Sewer sludge can also be composted. Manures are so valuable they're sold commercially. In fact the so-called "kitchen garbage" is welcomed by the organic gardener. Articles most people throw away (coffee grounds, tea leaves, egg shells, and much, much more) can make any plant happier a thousand-fold.

I've only grown my plants organically this year, but I've learned that you don't need chemicals to be successful. In fact, I started the year with chemicals but I wasn't satisfied--mostly because I found myself buying a different bottle of poison for every new bug or problem I found. So I got fed up with spraying every 7-10 days and said to hell with it. Then I caught on to the real way to garden. And I noticed that without the poisons ladybugs appeared and helped control some bugs I spent over \$5.00 to kill--and never succeeded. Then I found out that traps for bugs worked better than poisons, and were cheaper! So, I got a hold of some organic gardening books and I've been hooked ever since.

Recommended reading:

Gardening Without Poisons, by Beatrice Trum Hunter
Grow Your Own, by Jeanie Darlington
The Basic Book of Organic Gardening, edited by Robert Rodale.
Organic Gardening and Farming, a monthly magazine available at the library.

Any gardeners who'd like to get together for an Organic Rap Session, and maybe some large-scale farming, call Jim at 298-6175.



COMPOSTING AND MULCHING

Now is the time to start a compost pile for your Spring garden. After you figure out where you want your garden, start piling layers of organic material there. Organic material includes:

- leaves
- grass clippings
- sawdust
- sand
- fruit and vegetable garbage--cut-up
- peanut shells
- dirt
- some shit from chicken or cows, if you can get it
- hair
- vacuum cleaner dust

You can get most of the above free. Try and keep the fruit and vegetable matter and the shit from being the outer layer because it attracts flies and small animals. Keep the pile uncovered and let the rain beat it into the soil. By about March, you can spread it and dig it into your garden. It will be humus, rich dark soil, full of nutrients.

If you had a summer garden, you can compost in rows between the rows of the dying plants with all or some of the things from the list of organic matter. This is called mulching and I do it between the rows of growing plants too. Besides providing nutrients to the soil, it keeps water in and keeps weeds from growing.

Composting and mulching are not just things to do to your garden, they are a whole way of gardening. For instance, I don't worry about insect damage to my vegetables because I mulch that 25% or so of vegetables that the bugs damage. It's really a trip to see your garbage and waste turn into beautiful rich sweet-smelling soil. In addition, mulching has changed the soil in my garden from hard dry light-brown concrete-like stuff to soft dark rich humus that is easy to work even in the summer.

People are putting their leaves the streets now for the city to pick up, so, get some boxes and get your shit together.

JOHN SMITH Cont.

periors and other workers on the force, that excessive use of force by officers was common and that no disciplinary measures were ever taken.

This coupled with the fact that the S.J. P.D. has in recent history fired one black officer for using bad judgment (since the officer had brought in a person for a traffic citation which had already been paid), and suspended another black officer (for removing his gun in the line of duty) clearly proves the S.J.P.D.'s racism and favoritism.

The police execution of John Smith Jr. has been preceded by similar police actions in the past two years against Black and Brown people which have already left three dead (Villa, Garcia and Jackson). However the death of John Smith has spurred many hundreds of San Jose citizens of all racial backgrounds to action in protest of institutional racism and brutal police practices.

On two consecutive city council meetings, Oct 4 and 12, between 800-1000 angry people filled up the council chambers to

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NEWS

death of KALEIDOSCOPE

Sex declared illegal

The State Assembly last week voted against legalizing homosexual acts, sodomy, and oral copulation between consenting adults, including married couples. Opponents of the act quoted biblical scripture and declared: "The capital of this state is Sacramento, not Sodom and Gomorrah." This prohibition is chiefly enforced against homosexuals set up by police entrapment. Legislation of this nature was passed in most European countries over 50 years ago.

NIXON NOMINEE'S PLANT BUSTED

Federal immigration agents Tuesday caught 36 illegal aliens in a raid on a food processing plant owned by Mrs. Romana Banuelos, who was nominated Sept. 20 by President Nixon to be treasurer of the United States.

As the government agents entered, about half the work force began walking and then running out the side doors, then scrambled over a six-foot chain fence, discarding their white hats and aprons as they ran. Twenty-four female employees ran into the women's bathroom and attempted to hide in the toilet stalls and metal lockers.

Mrs. Banuelos' \$6 million-a-year Romana's Food Products Co. plant had been raided five other times before this one, and illegal aliens had been found each time.

Mrs. Banuelos claimed that she didn't know illegal aliens were employed by her company. She claimed the move was "part of an attempt by Democrats to block my nomination as treasurer of the United States."

Thousands starve, Shah feasts

When the Shah of Iran ("King of Kings," "Light of the Aryans") took power, he spent over \$50 million on his coronation ceremony. This week (Oct. 10-18) it is estimated that he will spend over \$300 million on a 2500th anniversary celebration of monarchy in Iran. Not only doesn't a hungry nation need a \$300 million celebration, it certainly doesn't need this kind of government.

The greater part of the work force in the carpet factories earn between 15¢ and 20¢ for a 12 hour day. Public education has yet to reach the level that Japan reached in the 1850's. 40% of Iranian families live in only one room. People on the average consume less than 2.7 pounds of meat per month. And there is only one doctor for every 3,223 people.

Iran is a classic example of a colonial nation. The Shah is happy to sell the vital resources of his country to other nations to enhance his personal fortune, rather than feed and house the hungry people of his own nation. The U.S. has supplied \$892 million worth of military aid to Iran, and the Soviet Union has contributed another \$100 million worth of trucks and tanks. Considering the fact that Iran is not involved in any war, the only conclusion is that both super-nations seek to consolidate the Shah's power against the stirrings of popular revolution on the part of Iranian workers and students, who want to use the country's resources to feed the country's people. Over 20,000 have been arrested and hundreds more imprisoned, tortured and executed by this repressive regime.

The fact that the Shah can spend over \$300 million on a private celebration (which representatives of the U.S., Russia, and 48 other nations are all attending) in the face of such poverty is an unspeakable atrocity.

If you really consider yourself to be on the side of the oppressed peoples of the world, you might consider going to the rally the Iranian Students Association is holding this Friday the 15th in Washington D.C. and in San Francisco at the Federal Building at 12 noon. Car pools will be leaving from 7th and San Fernando Streets between 10:30 and 11:00.

Kaleidoscope Bookstore went out of business last week, with a finale that went unheard all over San Jose. Kaleidoscope was a landmark in San Jose for 13 years. It was the first bookstore that would touch publications by China Books and International Publishers, the first that carried the underground papers. It was the original home of the San Jose Switchboard and the Resistance. Victimized by a whispering campaign by the John Birch Society at first, the bookstore quickly became San Jose's center for radical literature.

Kaleidoscope was run since its inception by two very together older women, Amelia Hazz and Marjorie Brown, who had both been anti-war since World War I. Marjorie had spent her first 18 years in China with missionary parents. "I didn't realize I was radical, just thought I was fighting my own personal battles, until the Depression."

"Being born a woman radicalized me," added Amelia, who started voting Socialist with her first election. Both have framed outlooks that agree strongly with women's lib.

Not trying to make a living off the bookstore, they tried instead to provide a service to people who had to drive to San Francisco or Berkeley to pick up the books they wanted. Never too financially solvent, they developed a strong staff of volunteers and regular customers. But business began its final downward plunge about two or three years ago, "When everybody moved into the psychedelic freak-out thing." And other stores, realizing they could make some money, began stocking the books they formerly had carried exclusively.

"San Jose has no coherent sense of community at all, it's just a conglomeration of people," Amelia told us. Being in the area 13 years, they have seen many groups try to start something and many good people come and go. And when asked what the community needed most, both responded, "A coffeehouse." Apparently one was started a few years ago but was forced to close due to continual harassment by the Police and Health Departments. They really couldn't figure out why Kaleidoscope had gotten along for years with any trouble of this sort, while the coffeehouse was harassed out of existence within its first few months. "I guess it was more of a threat that we are," Amelia hypothesized. "They only seem to harass those things that have real meaning in organizing community spirit. Maybe they just nip things in the bud."

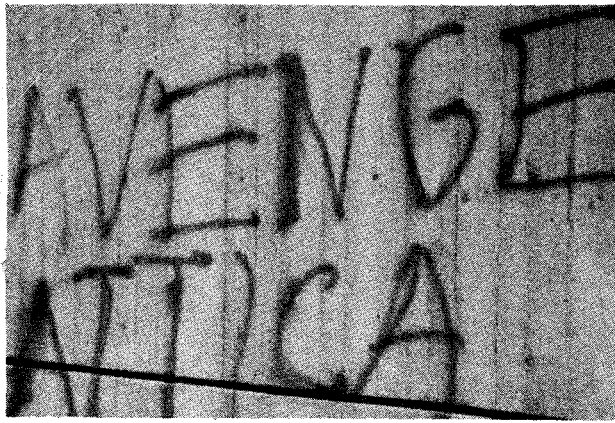
Future plans? Amelia plans to do a lot of spinning. Marjorie, who lives on the chicken ranch that provides eggs for the Food Conspiracy, looks forward to visiting China someday. "We're just going to be little old ladies for a while," they said as they packed up the rest of their books to give away to day-care centers, to prisons, and to us. As we returned home with a fantastic assortment of books given to Sedition by Kaleidoscope, we could only think of the unselfish day to day labor and time Amelia, Marjorie and the people of Kaleidoscope have donated to the people of San Jose. We only hope that people will be inspired by their example of dedication--we know we have.

MARTHA MITCHELL IN WONDERLAND

Martha Mitchell returned to her luxury apartment on the Potomac with this practical piece of advice for the American housewife: "Go out and spend your money and enjoy yourself." After encouraging everyone to "buy as much as they want to, but just keep it at home," she went on to say, "Let's have America for Americans for a change and forget the rest of the world," after concluding her own summer vacation in Europe.

"I think the average housewife should now appreciate that President Nixon's the best friend she's got," she continued, referring to the way the wage-price freeze has greatly improved women's 'peace of mind.' "They should be going out and spending their money." She confided that she was doing her part for the economy by ordering eight new dresses from a New York City designer.

"We are in a period of prosperity," she fearlessly concluded.



"THE
WRITING
ON THE WALL..."
- S.J.S. PARKING BLDG.

All men recognize the right of revolution; that is, the right to refuse allegiance to, and to resist, the government, when its tyranny and its inefficiency are great and unendurable . . . All machines have their friction. But when the friction comes to have its machine, and oppression and robbery are organized, I say, let us not have such a machine any longer.

Henry David Thoreau, 1849

A DOMESTIC "MY LAI" AT ATTICA

On Saturday, Oct. 9th, the 43th victim, a guard named Harrison Whalen, 37, died as a result of last Sept. 13th's massacre at Attica State Prison. Whalen, who received gunshot wounds in the back, neck, and abdomen during the assault by state police, sheriff's deputies, and national guardsmen (S.J. Mercury, Oct. 11) learned in the most drastic way possible that his bosses, Correctional Commissioner Russell G. Oswald and Gov. Rockefeller cared as little for his life as they did for the Black and Brown inmates who he'd probably been taught to despise.

Like the name "My Lai," the name Attica has become so well known that it now rates only back page coverage. It is a name which originally designated the hinterland of Athens but for some strange reason now is the title of a men's penal colony in New York State. Attica, supposedly a correctional institution, has a prisoner population which is primarily (85%) Black and Puerto Rican. To this is opposed a virtually all-white population of guards, officials, and grounds workers.

Given this dichotomy, it is not hard to understand that Attica, rather than being a rehabilitation center for society's deviants, is a compact, forced microcosm of our society at large. A microcosm which tends to heighten and magnify society's failures (racism, etc.) and thus reinforce these relations in both the inmates and security personnel. The experience can be so emotionally crippling that the ex-convict's outside behavior often forces him back into jail. Attica then, like other prisons all over the country, is an institution which finds much of its own necessity for existence in the very fact of its existence.

One day in September, these relations had been magnified to the point that spontaneous combustion occurred among the inmates. During a touch football game, a prison guard, misunderstanding the event and thinking a fight was in progress, began to manhandle the inmates. In reaction to this, a rebellion representing 1,200 inmates broke loose. They took hostages and made public their demands--demands which official channels had previously put off, ignored, or scoffed at. The prison's quick acceptance of 28 of the original 30 demands lends credence to the fact that these demands were not without substance and were easily capable of being met, for they represented oppressive situations which even prisoners are not expected to bear. The major concept underlying the inmates' demands was the thought that although they held the status of prisoner, they were still human beings and thus entitled to be treated as such. They wanted to be allowed to maintain their basic human dignity, a right guaranteed by the Constitution. The fact that the guards and other officials found it more entertaining, as well as easier, to deny them their human rights and treat them as an animal herd was expressed, not only by the prisoners, but also by the panel of negotiators, as the underlying cause of the rebellion.

Once the revolt had been violently put down, many stories began to flow from the prison justifying the need for bloodshed on the basis of atrocities that the prisoners had committed. The first report was that a guard had been thrown out of a window by the rebelling inmates. This report, which was picked up by the news media, said that he had died in a hospital as a result of the fall. The credibility of the report was generally accepted until one astute reporter happened to notice that all of the windows at the prison were

barred. Later investigations showed that this guard had fractured his skull while trying to close a manually operated cell door and died of cardiac arrest while in the hospital.

Another report coming out of the prison was that several of the hostages had had their throats slashed by the rebelling prisoners. This report also was generally assumed correct until a pathologist, after going autopsies on the bodies of the dead hostages came out with the amazing news that all of the hostages had died of gunshot wounds and that none had had their throats cut. It was also initially reported that one of the hostages had been emasculated by the prisoners, a report which the pathologist again denied.

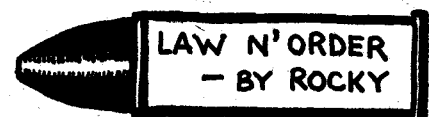
It was thought that the responsibility for all of those who died at Attica rested with the officials who designed and commended the raid. But the New York Daily News reported that state police Capt. Henry Williams, who was in charge of the assault, gave the following orders over his radio: "Move in. Move in. The drop of the tear gas cannisters has been made." The News stated that there was no available evidence that the troopers were ever ordered to fire their weapons. Based on this, the troopers themselves, just like the guardsmen of Kent State, assumed the responsibility of judge, jury, and executioner.

The initial record of events at Attica were then, at best, false, and at worst, a malicious conspiracy in order to justify the official (over)reaction. The inmates' demands, once the rebellion had been quashed, were completely forgotten.

The prison authorities demonstrated their insensitivity by assigning numbers (P1, P2, etc.) to the dead prisoners, while tagging the dead hostages by their given names. Further, Gov. Rockefeller in his speech gave his condolences to the families of the dead hostages without even a second thought for the families of the dead prisoners. Many of these families were even denied information as to whether their father and/or husband was alive or dead and found out only after it was broadcast on the radio.

On the first day of the rebellion, the New York Times reported that officers from many different agencies throughout the state were converging upon Attica, bringing their own private weapons! Judging by the smiles on the faces of those whose pictures appeared in the Times, they were all looking forward to the chance to make use of their shooting skills.

The members of the negotiating team recognized this and many other questionable facets of the Attica operation. They also noted, however, the solidarity of prisoners, Black, Brown, and White, a solidarity which N.Y. Times editor Tom Wicker (who was born in North Carolina) found to be amazing and intense. According to Lewis Steel, a National Lawyers' Guild member, who like Wicker sat on the panel of civilian negotiators, the rebelling prisoners were well-disciplined and "tolerated no racial hostility" in their ranks. It was most likely that this intense feeling of unity among the politicized Black, Brown, and White prison population upset the authorities the most. The old formula of divide and conquer, pitting race against race, failed to materialize at Attica. Consequently there was only one alternative left for the State to break up this unity: murder.



TOWARDS COMMUNITY

HAS APATHYCYNICOSIS REACHED EPIDEMIC PROPORTIONS?

Before we finally decided to send our first issue of Sedition to press, we were plagued somewhat by various thoughts of doom regarding the type of response we would receive from our readers. Surely we knew about last year's increase of the very contagious disease called apathycynicosis among the great majority of the SJS college populace. Apathycynicosis is a very serious disease that keeps people prisoner in the cubicles of the home, classroom, place of work, and the mind. The major characteristic of people suffering from apathycynicosis is emotional, physical, and intellectual uninvolvedness with the real social factors that control their lives. Withdrawal from such social involvement usually stems from a variety of causes such as great feelings of political impotence (I know the problems but whatever I do won't make any difference), laziness (fighting for self-determination is too much work--getting loaded is easier and more fun), alienation from self (I have no control whatsoever over my life because what happens to me is God's will or determined by my astrological sign), and fear (If I act in any way to alter my social existence I will run into difficulties I will not be able to handle, eg., getting arrested and not being able to get into Graduate School, etc.).

Of course many of us have at one time or another been periodically cured of apathycynicosis. However, the periodic cure usually, if not always, is sparked by a "crisis situation." A very overt and blatant example of oppression on the part of our controllers--a government of capitalists and bureaucrats for capitalists and bureaucrats--sometimes brings us to act in unison against the system that perpetuates such oppression. The execution of our peers by the bullets of our rulers sometimes makes us angry to the point of protest. We break out of our cubicles and find ourselves among great numbers of other people who have come out of their own cubicles to demand an end to government sanctioned murder, and other forms of oppression. We plead with our rulers to be more humane and sensitive while they reign. To our dismay, we find our President-Ruler more interested in watching great aggressive sport spectacles than heeding the pleas of his common subjects. Instead, he only seems to react to the wishes of a small rich class of capitalists and bureaucrats whose major demand at home and around the world is "Profits as usual."

Again feeling rejected and powerless, most of us return to the security of our cubicles, where hopefully, as quiet and model subjects, we will be safe from the oppression of our rulers. As subjects living in the heart of a Great Empire, we are allowed and encouraged by our rulers to pacify ourselves through the purchase of useless material goods. Even the so-called counter-culture of middle-class youth has become a profitable market area for aspiring capitalists. Long hair on male youths, once thought to be a threat to the stability of the empire, is now an accepted fad and is as absorbable to the capitalist system as bell-bottom pants. Although most radical males wear their hair long, it is also true that most long-haired males aren't radical. That "militant look" is mostly a fad, so don't wet your pants over it, Mr. Hoover.

Consequently, in order to overcome apathycynicosis, we must climb out of our cubicles and resist the oppressive actions of our rulers in every way possible. To counteract organized oppression effectively we must be willing to build our resistance day to day beyond "the militant appearance" and before the next crisis situation.

Oh yes, about our reader response. We got close to forty phone calls in the first week and a half after our original issue came out: people who wanted to write articles for the paper, to type or contribute money or energy in some other way, people offering us information and advice on different things. One person even called to tell us he bought a Volkswagen instead of a GM truck after reading about how deeply GM is involved in the war. Other people wanted to work on various projects and offered their talents and services to everyone in an effort to build a real community in San Jose. If you're interested in any of these things, here are some people who would like to work with you. And if you're interested in talking to us or contributing anything to the next issue, we'll have a table in the College Union patio the week of October 18-22.

Want Ads

(Response to these ads will be coordinated by THE GRAPHIC OFFENSIVE at 295-0390.)

WANTED: a community coffeehouse. Do you realize there's not one place in San Jose where people can get together, meet each other, relax, rap, and hang out? An ideal place would be a large house around campus. Coffee and teas can be served at very low prices if there is no profit motive.

WANTED: a women's center. Some place San Jose women can go to pick up current literature, rap about their problems, get in touch with other women who want to form consciousness-raising groups, escape from men, get abortion counseling and health care, and creative child care for their children. A large group of San Jose State women are now undertaking this project, and you can get in touch with them by attending the Women's Liberation meetings, Guadalupe Room of the Student Union every Tuesday night at 7:30 or by calling 295-4387.

WANTED: a San Jose Free Clinic. San Jose is one of the few cities of its size without a major free clinic of this sort. Some Tutorial students are looking into the possibilities of starting one. If you are interested in working with them, contact Debby at 292-9529.

WANTED: somebody to organize a community soccer league. Why does everybody just sit around in their little cubicles and get fucked up when we could be meeting each other and having a good time?

WANTED: a community theater. Why isn't there a place where we could show movement films and films by local artists at low cost? Some people have volunteered a large living room and a super-8 projector, and any artists wishing to participate in this should call the SEDITION office at 275-0390.

WANTED: a photographer's commune. Paul has movie and still photography equipment if you have a house. He is also a good cook. Contact him at 275-0390.

WANTED: a mechanics' collective. In Berkeley they already have a people's collective of Volkswagen mechanics that gives low cost repairs to school and street people. Tim at 293-2771 has some tools and will make repairs for low cost in the meantime.

WANTED: a chemist that will help us to analyze what kinds of poisons and filler are included in the food we buy from MacDonald's, Jack in the Box, Taco Bell, etc., so people can find out if they're eating garbage.

WANTED: someone to write a column on draft counseling, or tell us how you got out of the draft.

WANTED: anyone who would like to research a feature article on the power structure of San Jose, tenants and landlords, consumer protection, or anything else you'd like to see published.

WANTED: a cheap second-hand offset press so that we can print up our own issues and start a printers' collective to assist all organizations.

WANTED: more information on existing cooperatives, places to go, community groups and services, so that we can publicize it for everybody.

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Vicki at 292-9538 will give crocheting lessons to one person at a time for reasonable rates. Call her for arrangements.

WANTED: a revolution to abolish our corrupt and inhumane institutions.

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WOMEN ARE GETTING SCREWED

I wonder how many women realize the way they're being manipulated and brainwashed by businesses with big advertising budgets. The whole American standard of beauty is a hoax forced upon women by companies that want to sell them things. Imagine trying to convince a native woman in Tahiti or Africa that she would be more beautiful if she cut the hair off her legs, arms, head or someother place. She'd find the idea preposterous. Yet American women spend half an hour every day in the painstaking ritual of shaving half the hair off their bodies in hopes of achieving this strange standard of beauty, a standard created solely by multi-million dollar advertising campaigns by big companies that want to make more money by selling razors, shaving cream, depilatories, etc. And that, along with Americans' peculiar relish for commodities, is really the only reason.

I stopped cutting any of my hair about two years ago. The extra time and feeling of freedom alone it gave me was tremendous, but in addition to that I discovered that even my straight boyfriends who were initially disapproving finally came to prefer it that way. They found it more attractive and particularly more sensual. And the same thing applies in almost every area you can think of. Advertising and the fashion magazines encourage you to use curlers and dryers and half a dozen products on your hair to look more beautiful, because they couldn't sell you anything if all you did was wash it--not because they really make it any prettier. The same goes for skin products. For years I used astringent, moisturizer, and special soap on my skin because advertising had

convinced me I couldn't do without it. And when I threw them away, my skin remained exactly the same! Advertising convinces you that you need deodorants and feminine hygiene products to mask those horrible natural odors that turn men off, when in fact one of their basic functions is to serve as a source of sexual stimulation to men.

The fashion industry and the whole idea of fashion fads is just another shuck to soak money out of women. Think of all the women that have spent \$18 or more on a new hot pants outfit, when they could have cut off an old pair of jeans for the same effect. And even when you have a vast wardrobe of expensive clothes, there are usually only about three outfits that flatter your particular figure and that you really feel comfortable in. Right? I once had a wardrobe like that. But why not wear just those three things that you feel good in all the time? Why buy all that other stuff?

The only reason fashions change so frequently and new things are constantly required to be "in" is that if things stayed the same, you wouldn't need to buy any new things, and those huge stores and manufacturers would go out of business. The endless cycle of buying and throwing away these useless commodities is ridiculous and self-defeating. It makes you into a commodity, judged merely by the products you use. When you join in the game to be the most beautiful plastic Barbie doll, you have to spend about 80% of your time fighting against falling short of the mark and usually failing. I know because I tried it for many years, and it's a crazy, dehumanizing existence. A natural look and lifestyle is much more economical, comfortable, and attractive. Don't fall for their lies.

in our next issue...

The staff of Sedition has decided to devote the feature portion of our next issue to political activism at San Jose State and elsewhere in the community. We will print statements by any and all active political groups on campus and in the area. Statements should be about four paragraphs and could include things like:

- goals and plans for this semester
 - your analysis of the problems confronting society
 - past experiences and accomplishments of your group
 - how people can get in contact with your organization
 - or anything you think would be better
- OUR DEADLINE IS OCT. 30!** Donations of any kind will be gladly accepted.

Call Sedition Office at 275-0390

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If you people out there really dig Sedition and can afford to donate some money please come by our table in the College Union Patio between Oct 18-22. If you're broke and just like to rap to us you're just as welcome. See ya. →

ANTI-WAR action

- Oct. 13 ~ Moratorium
- Oct. 25 ~ Veterans Day
- Oct. 25 - Nov. 5 ~ National Peace Action Weeks
- Nov. 3 ~ Student Strike
- Nov. 6 ~ A Day of Massive Regional Anti-War Demonstrations

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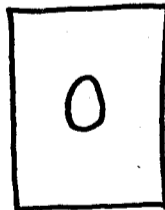
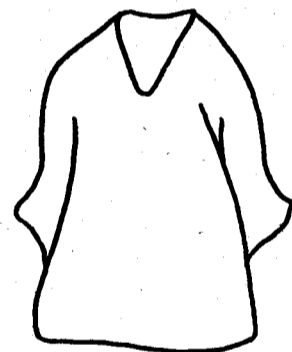
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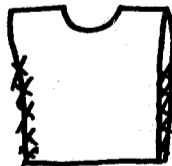
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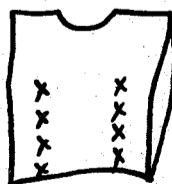


Cut a hole in the center--either a circle, oval or diamond depending on what kind of neckline you want.

Face this with seam binding. Clip the seam so that it will lie flat. And tack down.



Stitch the outer edge of material together, leaving room for your arms. Then hem the arm hole to be even with the sides.



Or: for semi-fit Hand sew about 6" in from sides. Remember--don't make it narrower than your shoulders or you won't get in.

Hem the bottom.

And you're finished!

Recommended reading:

McCALL'S EASY SEWING--costs about 50¢ and try EASY SEWING PATTERNS

FASCIST TAKEOVER IN BOLIVIA In Tune with U.S. Policy

Bolivia is a country not unlike most other Latin American countries which are economically controlled by Western imperialist countries. The great majority of Bolivians live in immense poverty, and the illiteracy rate is over 65%. Because of foreign control extended over most of the Bolivian economy, especially by the U.S., Bolivia and other underdeveloped countries in Latin America have not been able to develop their own resources to provide a decent standard of living for its people. Also, private pro-imperialist Bolivian businessmen and pro-U.S. military brass (trained by U.S. officers and the CIA) form a powerful right-wing coalition which on occasion has brutally suppressed popular movement for reform on part of the Bolivian working class people and students.

The most recent right-wing reaction came when the government of General Juan Jose Torres began giving in to some of the main demands of the Bolivian working-class and students, as it became obvious that revolutionary nationalism was failing.

"Revolutionary nationalism" was the main slogan of the Bolivian Nationalist Revolution of 1952, directed by the Movimiento Nacional Revolucionario (MNR). The 1952 revolution actually led to the expropriation of the tin mines (tin is the major Bolivian export), a sweeping agrarian reform involving the expropriation of big feudal land holdings, the extension of peasant unions and the formation of a workers' militia. Between 1952-1964 when the MNR held power, most of these reforms were eroded due to pressure from U.S. economic interests and the Bolivian military. Equipped and trained by the U.S., they saw armed workers as a threat to their status and power.

Although nationalism was institutionalized by the MNR in the nationalization of the tin mines, overt intervention on the part of the U.S. was not needed. U.S. economic interests were not involved since the mines were controlled by Bolivian and European capitalists. The U.S. instead used more sophisticated forms of pressure to turn the MNR "nationalism" into "pro-imperialism." International agencies, largely controlled by the U.S., pressured the MNR to adopt some of the following measures to be imposed on the Bolivian people: salary and wage freezes, devaluation, and concessions to foreign private investors. Consequently the Bolivian people saw this corrupt form of "nationalism" as just another method to keep them poor and out of power.

The disintegration of the MNR rapidly led to the fascist police state of Rene Barrientos in 1964. Barrientos dealt brutally with worker and student unrest. With the help of the CIA he had hundreds of politicized workers and students executed. It was his right hand man, Col. Andres Selich (now the interior minister of the

I know these people, I hear these people, I love these people.
NELSON ROCKEFELLER, during his recent tour of South America

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present junta), who successfully eliminated the rural guerillas of Che Guevara's group and the late Teoponte group.

Barrientos' nightmare lasted until 1969 when Barrientos died (cause unknown) and Ovando, a moderate, came to power. Ovando, again trying to solve Bolivia's social problems with the defunct combination of nationalism and imperialism in a capitalist-militarist framework, failed to satisfy the Bolivian people. Reforms achieved by Ovando included the right of workers to organize and the nationalization of U.S. Gulf Oil. However, the nationalization of Gulf Oil did not really hurt the U.S. company too much as Ovando signed an agreement to exploit Bolivian oil with a Spanish company which is controlled by Gulf. Consequently, the Bolivian working class realized that their lot would not improve as long as foreign and Bolivian capitalists controlled social production. On the opposite side, the foreign and Bolivian capitalists and the pro-U.S. generals saw Ovando's politics as a threat to their profits and power.

As the conflicts heightened, another attempt was made to install a police state à la Barrientos by the right wing in October 1970.

This attempt led by General Miranda failed largely because of the political strength of the Bolivian Workers Federation which carried out a national strike in response to the coup.

It was essentially the national strike that carried General Torres to victory. Torres recognized the power that was exerted by the Bolivian workers and consolidated his own power on promises for real social change. Although he appointed Marxists to 50% of his cabinet posts Torres still believed that revolutionary nationalism rather than socialism was the cure for Bolivia's economic ills. This belief was contrary to the view held by the National Bolivian Workers' Union (COB) which had voted in May 1970 that Bolivia begin a transition towards socialism through rule by a popular assembly. Torres knew, however, that in order to keep his power he would have to retain and build popular support. Under his rule more U.S. holdings were nationalized, and the Peace Corps was thrown out of the country. Torres also wanted to stop the guerrilla actions of the Army of National Liberation (ELN), which had moved its actions from a rural base to the cities. The ELN, staunch followers of Che, offered Torres peace if he would convoke a People's Assembly. At first Torres refused their demand. But as it became apparent that the pro-U.S. right wing was planning a coup, he gave in to the ELN and COB demands for the People's Assembly. Obviously, Torres had never been able to consolidate the military which was siding rapidly with the promoters of a new Bolivian police state. Torres' own security forces were small, and without workers' support he would have been overthrown for sure.

As soon as the People's Assembly was set up in La Paz, thousands of workers, students, and peasants arrived armed with their weapons of liberation. They elected 221 delegates who came up with the following demands: establishment of diplomatic relations with Cuba and Chile, expulsion of all U.S. military and intelligence personnel, development of Bolivia's infrastructure, and equalization of all salaries. Of course, this was too much to handle for the right wing as well as for Torres.

On August 19th, a right wing coup under the leadership of Hugo Banzer Suarez, Col. Andres Selich, and former Bolivian president Victor Paz Estenssoro was on its way. The American press reported that a civil war was in the making in Bolivia. As the army quickly slaughtered hundreds of students and workers with superior weaponry, Hugo Banzer Suarez named himself president. He called for friendly relations with the U.S., a reversal of nationalization policies, and a temporary end to constitutional elections. Clearly the fascist coup appears to be the institutionalization of U.S. policy in underdeveloped countries. Nevertheless, history has shown that repression breeds revolution and that angry masses of people can't be kept down for long.

The Bolivian people will win!

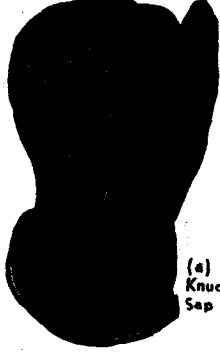
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MOVIE FROM CHINA

On Sept. 30 about 100 Asians and Americans gathered together in Eng. 132 to view "The Red Blossoms of Tien-Shan," a movie about the founding and development of a people's commune in China. Interestingly enough, the drama dealt largely with women's liberation and the difficulties involved in eliminating male chauvinism, as well as the problems people face in adjusting to a radically changed society.

Icoulie, a woman, is elected head of the commune's livestock brigade. Her husband, As-hal, made bitter and insecure by this blow to his masculinity, begins to berate her for placing the commune above himself and their home. He begs her to resign the position and work with him to earn tapestries for their walls and jewels for their bathtub, like their neighbor, Hasmu. Hasmu, son of a feudal chief, is tirelessly hatching plots to discredit the communist system and leadership. He seeks a return to the days when his family controlled all the wealth of the land, and he was able to beat peasants with his diamond-studded whip. He fans As-hal's indignation until he is finally convinced to steal from the commune's supply of grain, for money, and after violent arguments, even abandon his wife.

As-hal finally returns to the commune, but refuses to move back to his home. Instead he tries to "drown his bitterness in sweat," and becomes one of the commune's most productive workers. The climax is reached as a snowstorm threatens the safety of the herd. All the people work together to protect the animals, but Hasmu seizes an opportunity to secretly throw open the windows of the main shed one night, forcing all the sheep into bouts with pneumonia. The commune is in a turmoil, and accusations and underlying doubts begin to discredit Icoulie and As-hal. Through the people's vigilance, however, the true culprit is found. Although he shoots and nearly kills Icoulie in trying to make his escape, at the end she and her husband are united as the people

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celebrate their victory.

This simple morality play actually digs very deeply into human psychology. Rather than being a mere propaganda film by the Chinese, it sincerely examines the problems that arise when a woman is put in a position of leadership over men. It shows the conflicts this creates for the husband who loses his dominance as well as the distrust felt by elders who have lived all their life with subservient women. The drama reveals the elements of greed and delinquency that must be struggled with even in a well-supported Communist society. But it also shows the joy of the once-miserable Chinese peasants who can now feed, clothe, and house themselves at a much greater level of prosperity strictly by their own efforts. It gives a picture of their feeling of community and dedication as they work together for each other in the fields, with musicians and entertainers happily performing for free. It shows how much more effectively they can cope with their collective problems under this form of government. The movie also shows some stunning photography of the Chinese landscape and gives you a real feeling for its people. All in all it was a valuable contribution to Asian-American understanding.

IMPRESSIONS OF CUBA by Jack Kurzweil

Jack Kurzweil, S.J.S. engineering professor, was invited to Cuba this summer to lecture to the Cuban Academy of Sciences. He related some impressions of his stay in Havana in a talk last Sept. 24 at the New Wineskin.

Kurzweil revealed that the most striking aspect of his tour was the vibrancy and happiness of the people.

He observed a society where all rent, utilities, telephones, medical care, public education, day-care center, and boarding schools are free to everybody. As far as food, clothing, and household utensils go, everybody gets the same amount. Everybody. All these things are available on ration cards and every Cuban citizen has the same ration card, from administrator to fieldhand. Despite the fact that before the Revolution the great majority of Cubans were peasants living near poverty, today it is almost impossible to starve in Cuba. A ration card is available for 25 pesos in a country where the minimum wage is 150 pesos a month, a country that is encouraging a population explosion because its present labor force is much too small to serve the country's needs. Medical clinics are available in every neighborhood. A bus token to anywhere costs 5%. Cuba's literacy level is steadily rising, despite the fact that most of the people were illiterate fifteen years ago. All college students go to school on scholarships so they are no burden to their families. There is no racial antagonism whatsoever among the younger people. The streets are safe even to women walking alone at night. Women have full legal equality and are emerging in important positions in all professions. Abortions and birth control are available on demand. And since the country has a socialist economy, there is no advertising. In fact, people have more money than they know what to do with.

This is not to imply that Cuba today is without problems. It is still a poor country, so goods are generally scarce. Books can't be printed fast enough to satisfy the new readers. A housing shortage still exists. Waiting in lines for rations can wear on people's nerves. And the sexual revolution has created social problems for traditional families. But despite these problems or whatever skepticism you may have about the Cuban government, it is clear that this is a country that is beginning to meet the most basic and vital needs of its people.

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urge the robot-like council members to adopt the following demands drawn up by an Ad Hoc Committee:

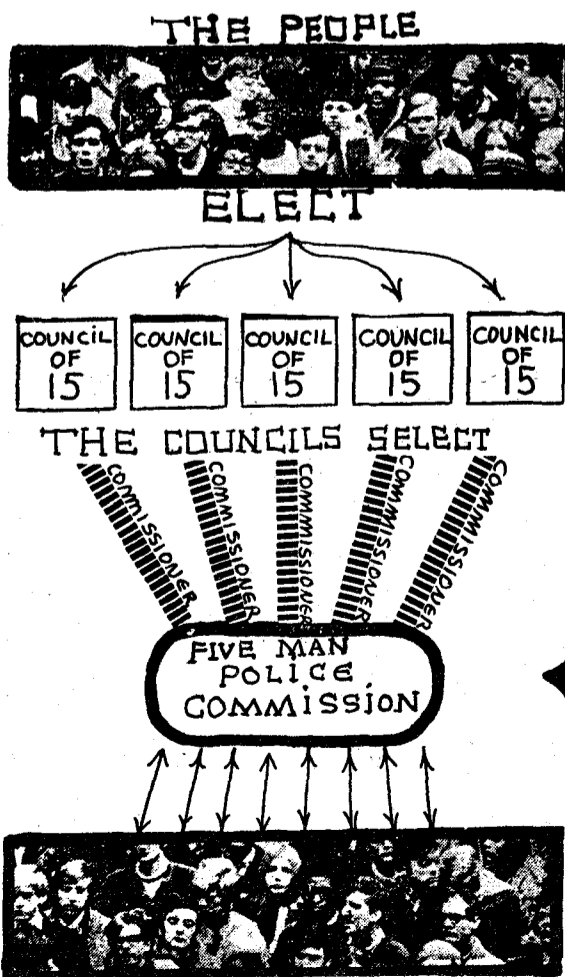
- 1) An independent public investigation of the slaying of John Henry Smith.
- 2) The firing of Police Chief Murphy for his misconduct and blatant favoritism shown thus far in the case.
- 3) The suspension without pay of Officers Wooley, Richter, and Watts pending the outcome of the investigation.

The members of the City Council refused to take any substantive action until the pro-police DA's office comes out with its version of the killing.

On Oct. 12, plans of action were spelled out that might finally force the council to unarm and fire racist trigger-happy cops like Wooley and Co.

- 1) The Ad Hoc Committee will coordinate a general boycott of all businesses that pull the strings of the City Council. Interested people should call 265-1091.
- 2) A committee for Community Control has drawn up a proposal that would place the police under the jurisdiction of the people they are supposed to protect and serve. Contact the committee at 776 N. 13th St.

Establish two independent police departments one for each of the basic communities in San Jose. Abolish the office of police chief in favor of two five-man Police Commissions, answerable to the people and instructed by elected police councils.



Any resident over 18 years old will be able to vote.

COUNCIL DUTIES:

1. Set qualifications for police selection.
2. Discipline officers who violate the law or policy of the department.
3. Select Commissioners to represent the community. They can fire a Commissioner who doesn't work out.
4. Make policy decisions. The Commissioners must vote and act according to the demands of the Councils.

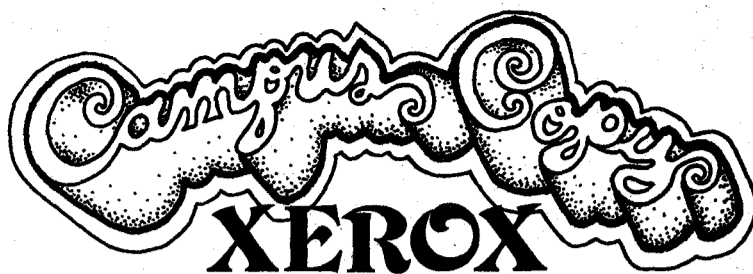
COMMISSIONERS:

1. Select policemen - all police must live in their department.
2. Carry through department policy.
3. Fix salaries.
4. Make necessary agreements with other police departments and agencies.

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The people can vote to recall any Councilman.
The people can petition to recall any Commissioner.

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 12th Street
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 San Jose Switchboard.....295-2937
 Artists' Switchboard.....246-9818
 Musicians' Switchboard...861-8889
 Ecology Switchboard.....293-8500
 Recycling Centers.....287-9803
 294-6414 ext 2093
 Peace Center.....297-2299
 Draft Counseling.....294-6414 ext 2707
 Operation Share.....294-3344
 Planned Parenthood.....294-2442
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 Family Planning.....292-1826
 Abortion Counseling.....294-3032
 Problem Pregnancy.....851-3918
 Pregnancy Test.....297-1636 ext 231
 Women's Liberation.....295-4387
 NOW.....241-2457
 Co-op Nursery.....377-8155
 Free Youth Clinic.....297-8161
 VD Clinic.....297-1636 ext 276
 Drug Communication.....275-9560
 Drug Abuse
 Treatment Clinic.....286-5442 ext 354
 Suicide and
 Crisis Service...../286-5442
 People's
 Legal Defense.....289-9546
 Legal Aid Society.....298-1315
 ACLU.....293-2584
 Community Alert Patrol...251-9109
 Welfare Rights.....299-1121
 Consumer Affairs.....299-2105
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