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# LEARN FROM THE PAST

by Michael Novick

In the fall of 1988, Ronald Reagan was president, exposed for the Iran-Contra scandal after he circumvented a Congressional ban on aid to the Contras in Nicaragua through illegal deals with the Khomeini regime. 680,000 people were locked down in US jails and prisons, up 90% from the start of the decade. George H. W. Bush had won election as president, through the use of the racist "Willie Horton" attack ad about prison furloughs. A "British invasion" of white-power rock like Skrewdriver was catching on among Nazi boneheads. And in L.A., the first issue of "*Turning the Tide*" appeared, on the occasion of the local trial of Tom Metzger, head of the White Aryan Resistance (WAR), for a triple cross-burning conducted by WAR and allies from the Nazi party, KKK and Aryan Nations back in 1983.

At that time, People Against Racist Terror (PART) was a little over a year old, having been started in 1987 to expose and oppose a Glendale, CA appearance by former Birmingham church-bomber J.B. Stoner, who was

on a speaking tour on the theme of "AIDS: God's Gift to the White Man." We drew over 1000 people to protest, got the Glendale library to cancel one appearance and then marched on the Glendale Holiday Inn, where supporters had set up a private meeting. A few boneheads showed up and got booted, and the Glendale police declared the whole protest an illegal assembly, closed the freeway offramps to prevent people from joining us, and rolled out a water cannon (though they didn't actually fire it) to disperse the crowd.

Twenty-five years later, Metzger is retired to Michigan, Reagan is dead, and the prison and jail population in the US has more than tripled to over 2.2 million people. In the interim, L.A. rebelled against police impunity, and *TTT* helped build the Neighbors Against Nazis grouping in Simi Valley to oppose KKK organizing there in the wake of the acquittal of the cops who beat Rodney King. The EZLN rose up against NAFTA's impact on the indigenous people of Mexico, and *TTT* was one of the first publications to translate and publish their communiques in the US.

The whistle was blown on the CIA-crack cocaine connection, and *TTT* helped build the Crack the CIA Coalition, which held the first demonstration in the US demanding the dismantling of the agency, along with reparations to the Black and other impacted communities and to the Nicaraguan victims of the Contras. The anti-globalization movement rocked the World Trade Organization, and *TTT* was instrumental in building an anti-authoritarian, anti-imperialist tendency within it. *TTT* played a role in a community-based protest of 9,000 people during the Democratic convention in L.A. in 2000, demanding freedom for all political prisoners, and an end to police brutality, mass incarceration and the death penalty. Pacifica tried to abandon its commitment to airing the voices of Black, Brown, Asian, indigenous and other poor and working people, and *TTT* was involved in building a grassroots coalition to defend such programming, including in Spanish and ancestral languages.

The US launched ongoing wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and *TTT*



1988  
First Issue of TTT

1992  
Los Angeles Rebellion



1994  
Zapatista Uprising

1998  
First Jericho March to Free Political Prisoners

1999  
Battle of Seattle



PAT BUKHANAN ▼



PART-TIME HOLOCAUST DENIER, CLINIC-BOMBING SUPPORTER.

DAVID DUKE ▼



EX-KLANSMAN, EX-NAZI, EX-WHITE SUPREMACIST, AND CHRISTIAN SOLDIER.

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CONVICTED FELON AND PERJURER, PARA-PASCIST, ALL-AROUND SKULLBAG.

PAT ROBERTSON ▼



ANTI-SEMITIC CONSPIRACY THEORIST, GAY-BASHER, QUACK-FATH-HEALER, HONEST JOE.

# TO SHAPE THE FUTURE

pushed the peace movement to recognize and oppose the simultaneous war at home against communities of color by the police and the Migra. Unregulated banks blew up a housing bubble that crashed the economy, and the Occupy Wall Street movement exposed wealth and income inequality. *TTT* was instrumental in pushing for a politics of decolonization and resistance to police repression, and in helping sustain Occupy LA past police raids and mass arrests with the Occupy the Ports action and the May 1 General Strike in solidarity with immigrant workers. LA Unified sought to privatize public education and attack organized teachers, and *TTT* was involved in opposing such giveaways, takeaways, and racism and repression in the schools. *TTT* exposed the resource wars and environmental devastation motivated by peak oil and global warming, and the long-term, US imperial designs on war with China.

The first Black president has shown that Black faces in high places, and Democrats in the White House, uphold empire, counter-insurgency and surveillance, and *TTT* has stepped up

to defend whistleblowers like Chelsea Manning and our comrade Jeremy Hammond. For the better part of a decade, *TTT* has defended and provided a communications medium to the Black Riders, the new generation Black Panther Party for Self-Defense. The BRLP has played a critical role in struggling for unity and opposing racism and fascism. *TTT* joined with them in militant mass demonstrations against the anti-Mexican Minutemen and the neo-nazi National Socialist Movement, and for justice for Oscar Grant and Trayvon Martin.

Through it all, Turning the Tide has continued providing a unique grassroots medium for the voices of prisoners and liberation movements, intelligence about fascist forces operating from above and below and how to fight them, campaigns to free all political prisoners, support for the prison hunger strikers, and more. *TTT* was one of the first publications to print the commentaries of Mumia Abu-Jamal, helped build coalitions to save his life, and sustain the Jericho Movement for amnesty and freedom for all political prisoners and prisoners of war

since the Jericho march on Washington in 1998. *TTT* has been sent free to thousands of prisoners over the years, currently to nearly 1700 every issue. Now as part of the Inter-Communal Solidarity Committee initiated by the Black Riders, it provides an on-line home to the Break the Lock project.

As the costs of that project have increased with the steady growth of the prisoner subscriber list and the increase in postage and printing, we have pared the paper to the bone to keep publishing and providing that vital lifeline through the walls. Thanks for helping make it possible for the paper to continue publishing, reaching out to and sharing the words of hundreds of those locked down, often in isolation, behind prison walls. We look forward to your continued support of and involvement with this project. With your support, we can restore the paper to at least bimonthly publication, add back the pages we have had to cut, and increase the press run for wider distribution locally and nationally, advancing the struggle for a revolutionary social, political and economic transformation in our lifetimes!



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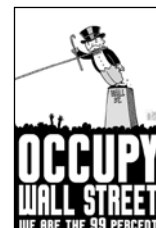
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# TURNING THE TIDE

## L.A. ANTI-RACISM NEWSLETTER

For years, the menace of neo-nazi skinheads, organized by conscious anti-semitic, anti-gay and racist forces has been growing in Los Angeles and southern California generally.

\* In Westminster, in July, a campaign of racist harassment and vandalism culminated in a cross-burning at the home of a Black former head of the Orange County NAACP. Police have arrested 23-year-old Gary Skillman, a former skinhead. He was carrying a racist poem, "KKK Youth Camp", urging the killing of Blacks and Jews, at the time of his arrest. Since his arrest, rock-throwing, death threats and other attacks by skinheads against Black, Asian and Hispanic residents have continued.

\* In Laguna Beach, three skinheads have been arrested and charged with attempted murder in the brutal beatings of two gay men. The three, John Moore, Steven Walter, and Aaron Cornpean, in their teens and early 20's, have also been accused of violating their victims' civil rights by singling them out for attack by reason of their sexual orientation. But again, other attacks by skins, including the firing of shots into a gay-owned business, have continued. Similar organized attacks against lesbians, as well as gay men, are taking place in West Hollywood and in the Silverlake area. At least one killing has resulted.

\* Last year in the San Fernando Valley, the leaders of two separate gangs of racist skins, Mike Martin and Pete McGurk, were arrested in separate incidents of attacks on Latinos. Martin, head of the Reich Skins, which carried out an organized campaign of racist terror for several months in the Chatsworth area, was arrested for breaking into a Latino student's home at gun point and threatening him and his family. He received probation. McGurk was arrested for driving a car through Sepulveda attacking Latino pedestrians; a passenger sprayed them with foam from a fire extinguisher. Martin received probation and McGurk received probation.

\* Last year, skinheads from the San Gabriel Valley were arrested for attacking an anti-racist demonstration in Glendale protesting the appearance of convicted Birmingham church bomber, J.B. Stoner. Skinheads from Riverside, affiliated with Tom Metzger's racist WAR organization were arrested in a van with baseball bats and lead pipes on their way to a King Day memorial march in Fontana being addressed by Martin Luther King III. Metzger had issued a highly inflammatory leaflet, depicting civil rights marchers being killed by bombs planted in mailboxes along the route.

\* Metzger himself and his son John, head of the Aryan Youth Movement/White Student Union, have been involved in a series of violent confrontations on TV talk shows around the country, the most recent on Geraldo Rivera's. Metzger's own racist cable TV show, "Race and Reason", airs on cable systems in the San Fernando Valley, and is produced in Fullerton. Tom Padgett, a producer and co-host of the show who lives with Metzger's daughter, has pleaded guilty to fraud in the ZZZZ Best carpet cleaner scandal; he funneled money from the company to Metzger. Owner Barry Minkow, on trial currently in federal court, claims the company was controlled by the mob for stock frauds and money laundering.

\* Tom and John Metzger were arrested at a cross burning in the city of LA more than four years ago. Other participants later became federal fugitives and were involved in the racist underground Order which robbed banks and killed a Jewish talk show host. John Metzger, however, was merely released to his mother's custody, and the D.A. dropped the charges against Tom. When they were reinstated by

they were twice arrested who called the police but not immediately dismissal came ear-

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# TURNING THE TIDE

## L.A. ANTI-RACISM NEWSLETTER

VOLUME 2 NUM. 2

DEMONSTRATE AGAINST NAZI SKINHEAD  
MUSIC FESTIVAL MARCH 4

A state-wide demonstration has been called to protest a nazi skinhead rock concert sponsored by Tom Metzger's WAR organization on March 4 in northern California. The event, which Metzger is calling an "Aryan Woodstock" was postponed once after opposition forced the requirement of paying a bond to use a public hall near Sacramento. It has been rescheduled for private land midway between San Francisco and Sacramento. The John Brown Anti-Klan Committee chapter in the S.F. Bay Area has called for a demonstration outside the grounds of this "white power" concert.

PART endorses this call to oppose this neo-nazi mobilization. If you are interested in car-pooling up north, please call PART at (213) 281 - 7928.

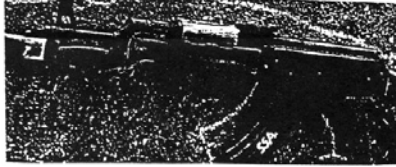
ANTI-RACIST SKINS IN MID-WEST,  
EAST COAST SET UP "SYNDICATE"

A highly successful gathering of anti-racist skinheads took place recently in Minneapolis, organized by the Baldies, a local skin grouping that has pretty much driven nazi skins out of town there. The meeting, which included skins from Illinois, Michigan, NY and elsewhere, established an anti-racist skin network called the Syndicate. Participants in the conference and other supporters also held a march and rally and painted out racist graffiti.

MASS MURDERER PATRICK PURDY  
LINKED TO RACIST MOVEMENT

Patrick Purdy, who killed 5 Indochinese refugee children last month and wounded 30 others when he shot up their school yard in Stockton with AK-47 fire, was linked to neo-nazi racist groups, but it has been hushed up by police and the media. Purdy was arrested in Lake Tahoe in 1987 on weapons charges and was found to be in possession of Aryan Nations lit at that time.

On the stock and clip of his assault rifle, he had carved the circled cross logo of WAR Youth groups, particularly the Pit Bull Boys, nazi skins who advertise in the WAR Youth paper, and the initials "S.S.A.", possibly a reference to the SS Action Group, another neo-nazi youth formation in Michigan. The FBI removed the clip with these nazi regalia before showing it to the press, but they are clearly visible in photos of the rifle where Purdy placed it on the ground at the scene of the killings.



This illustrates again the connection between racist mobilizations and propaganda and their inevitable outcome -- racist terror and murder. When "Guns and Roses" displays nazi regalia in a video on MTV, as Metzger boasts, or "Geraldo" gives a forum to WAR, or nazi-skin bands put racist diatribes to music, they are links in a chain that lead to cross burnings, murder, and eventually genocide.

## NAZI SKINHEADS GET OUT!

If you hate racism, sexism and *Nazi Skinheads* and want to help defeat them join the *John Brown Anti-Klan Network*.

Send \$2.00 — we'll send you a **JUST SAY NO TO NAZIS!** kit. The kit includes stickers (with the image shown here); stencils; copies of our newspaper (**No KKK! No Fascist USA!**); new info about Nazi Skinheads, their ties to the KKK; and ideas about what you can do to stop them in your area.



**PLEASE SEND US ANY INFO YOU HAVE ABOUT NAZI SKINHEADS SO OUR DATABASE CAN STAY REALLY CURRENT!**

**John Brown Anti-Klan Committee**  
2209th St., #443, San Fran., CA 94103

## WHERE WE STAND

People have been asking PART to make clear what it stands for, apart from being against racist violence. While we do not have a hard and fast ideology, and aren't affiliated with any party or other political group, here's an outline of some of the principles we think should guide anti-racist activity.

White people need to oppose racism inside our communities.

... As a whole new generation of hard-core racists is growing up, this imperative is more true today than ever.

Oppressed people have the right to self-determination.

The solution to the problems of

poverty, racism and exploitation in this country is for the people who are exploited to have power over their own communities, their land and labor...

All forms of racism and domination must be opposed and ended.

... To win the battle, we need to change the world, not just knock heads with a few bald or hooded racists...

We can't depend on the cops or the government to fight racism.

"Blue by day, white by night" is a slogan that expresses a real connection between the police and organized racism...

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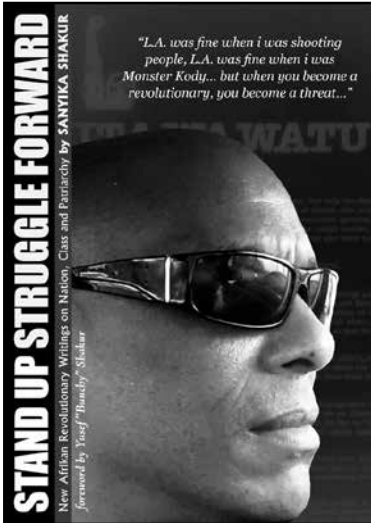


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## STAND UP STRUGGLE FORWARD: NEW AFRIKAN REVOLUTIONARY WRITINGS ON NATION, CLASS AND PATRIARCHY, BY SANYIKA SHAKUR



A collection of writings by Sanyika Shakur, formerly known as Monster Kody Scott, including several essays written from within the infamous Pelican Bay Security Housing Unit in the period around the historic 2011 California prisoners' hunger strike, as well as two interviews conducted just before and after his release in Black August 2012.

Shakur rejects the easy answers and false solutions of the neocolonial age – integration and racism, the colonial-criminal mentality and subservience to imperialism – as the “oppo-sames” that they are. Firmly rooted in the New Afrikan Communist tradition, he skillfully uses the tools of dialectical materialism to lay bare the deeper connections between racism, sexism, and homophobia and how these mental diseases relate to the ongoing capitalist (neo-)colonial catastrophe we remain trapped within.

*Stand Up, Struggle Forward* also contains a valuable account of political repression in the California prison system, including several of the intelligence memoranda they were used to condemn Shakur to years of solitary confinement in Pelican Bay. These internal prison documents clearly show that this prolonged solitary confinement was a direct result of Shakur's continuing promotion of New Afrikan Revolutionary Nationalist politics. As such, they provide a stark example of the way in which solitary confinement continues to be used as a tool of political repression against thousands of prisoners in California today.

*“i thought i'd wait a long time after Meditations for a new work that would provide a major building block to rebuild the movement. But here it is. The chapter on patriarchy, colonialism, imperialism and neo-colonialism is a bomb—study this.”* — Butch Lee, author of *Night-Vision: Illuminating War and Class on the Neo-Colonial Terrain*

*“i love his book Monster, because his military approach in things sets it up. One time there was a shooting in my block, and i asked the brother: 'What do you think you are doing? Here, read this!' And i gave him a copy of Monster. He took it real serious. Sanyika can reach people i can't. Checking out his newest book, i'm glad he's on our side.”* — Hondo T'chikwa, *Spear & Shield Collective*

*“The Pentagon knows that the most famous soldier of his times never wore their uniform, but fought on the oppressed streets of L.A. Now, Sanyika Shakur is still a soldier for his people, but is a revolutionary teacher as well. His words here, his politics, are uncompromising as iron.”* — J. Sakai, author of *Settlers: Mythology of the White Proletariat*

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## CONFRONTING FASCISM: DISCUSSION DOCUMENTS FOR A MILITANT MOVEMENT, BY XTN, MARK SALOTTE, DON HAMERQUIST AND J. SAKAI



*The struggle against fascism is a widely accepted aspect of the revolutionary struggle, but even the most radical activists often sound like liberals when explaining the hows and whys of anti-fascism. Or else use the word in such a way that it has only a vague meaning as something very evil (fascist cops, fascist cutbacks, fascist State repression, and so on).*

*The essays in Confronting Fascism are an attempt to grapple with this situation. Breaking with established Left practice, this book attempts to deal with the questions of fascism and anti-fascism in a serious and non-dogmatic manner. Attention is paid to the class appeal of fascism, its continuities and breaks with the “regular” far-right and also even with the Left, the ways in which the fascist movement is flexible and the ways in which it isn't. Left failures, both in opposing fascism head-on, and also in providing a viable alternative to right-wing revolt, are also dealt with at length.*

*The lived experiences of anti-fascist activists inform this work, and more attention is paid to actual historical developments and facts than to neat theories that explain everything but only coincidentally intersect with reality. Understanding the relationship of fascism, the State, left reformism and what it means to be revolutionary are priorities in a world where it seems increasingly true that those who do not advance will have to retreat.*

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Dear TTT-PART,

Yesterday I was showing an issue of TTT to some high school and junior high kids and a white supremacist came up to me saying all kinds of disrespectful things. I kicked his racial ass all over until he apologized. This may be wrong but it did make a lot of people realize I am serious about what I believe in. After that about 30-35 kids followed me to a local hang-out and I talked to them about anti-racial subjects and answered questions. I know for what I did a lot of people are going to go in on the fight against racism.

I don't know if any of them will write to you, but even if they just get together and talk to people at school or at gigs, that their testimonies can influence a lot of people.

The nazis stay away from me because of my reputation, but people who know me know I am sensitive and caring and I have a hunger for a non-racial world. I got your issue on prisons, and I want to tell you that got a lot of people's attention out here. Every one is curious about prisons; it's like hell in most individuals eyes. I xeroxed a few copies and went down to the mall to pass them out.

Racism is for weak-minded losers. Thanks very much for the issue of TTT. I related to it 100%. Twilight.

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**Racism is for weak-minded losers.**  
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**HA-HA-HA!  
THE JOKE'S  
ON YOU SUCKER!  
TRY AND DO SOMETHING  
ABOUT IT!**



# TURNING THE TIDE

## ANTI-RACISM NEWSLETTER

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### DEATH SQUADS IN AMERICA?

#### -RACIST TERRORISTS SEND KILLER MAIL BOMBS

A previously unknown racist group took responsibility for a number of letter bombs which killed a white federal judge and a Black civil rights lawyer and city council member earlier this year. The group, claiming it would kill again to defend "white womanhood" against "Black rapists", is the latest example of America's home-grown terrorists, the KKK and other similar cowardly night riders and cross burners.

When the U.S. judge was killed the media and FBI immediately began to bray about narco-terrorism, trying to link the killing to drug dealers in an effort to whip up hysteria for the war on drugs. After the death of the Black lawyer and the claim of responsibility by racists, they were forced to direct their attention, so far unsuccessfully, to the network of Klan sympathizers that have repeatedly given birth to such terrorist factions as the Order and the CSA.

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#### -- NAZI SKINHEADS SUED FOR KILLER CONSPIRACY

A civil lawsuit filed in Portland Oregon has named Tom Metzger, director of the racist WAR organization, his son John, their group, and several followers as conspirators in the killing of Ethiopian refugee Mulegeta Seraw in that city last year by several neo-Nazi skinheads associated with WAR in a group called East Side White Pride.

The lawsuit, brought on behalf of Seraw's family by the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC) and the Anti-Deramation League (ADL), seeks substantial monetary damages for the loss of life and violation of the young African's civil rights. The SPLC, which runs the Klanwatch project, brought a similar suit against one of the main KKKlans, on behalf of Beulah MacDonald some years ago after that Black woman's son was lynched. The KKK was driven into bankruptcy and forced to turn its headquarters over to MacDonald.

Continued p.4. "WAR IN PORTLAND"

#### -KILLER COPS TARGET BLACK MUSLIMS

The plaque of police killings that has taken the lives of dozens of Blacks and Hispanics struck again in L.A. earlier this year when county sheriff's deputies shot Nation of Islam member Oliver X Beasley in the head. The incident was one of a series of confrontations between Muslims and L.A. cops and sheriffs.

Min. Louis Farrakhan came to L.A. for a series of protests. He spoke to more than 2000 at a joint Muslim-Christian memorial service for the slain Black man, and then spoke to more than 16,000 people who paid admission to hear the NOI minister speak. He eschewed revenge but demanded justice for the dead man and his family and called for a civilian review board to investigate this and similar cases.

Several other cases at the same time pointed up the tendency of law enforcement officers to use fatal force and unnecessary brutality against Black and Latino residents. In San Bernardino, several Mexican nationals won a court suit for massive damages against the sheriffs for beating them during an arrest. And in L.A., the police shot and killed three men whom they had followed and watched enter a McDonald's and hold it up.

Asked to defend the shootings rather than arresting the suspects before they committed the crime (since police believed them responsible for other hold-ups) the LAPD chief said, "If we had arrested they would've gotten out. Now they won't be holding up any more stores."

Anti-racists need to expose this "blue by day, white by night" mentality that makes cops judge jury and executioner, no different from a Klan lynch-mob. It's not only the occasional exposures of direct KKK activity in the police, like the group of sheriffs and M.P.'s in Texas who were recently fired after their KKK recruiting activities became known. The use of all cops, whatever their color or personal ideology, as an occupying army in marginalized communities of color who have no chance for advancement or dignity in this society, is what leads inevitably to these killings.

See related discussion of NOI in letters, page six.



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## AMERICA'S #1 NEO-NAZI SKINHEAD!

Hi! I bet you suckers thought that we defeated Hitler and the Nazis in one of my World War II movies! That's a laugh!  
Hitler just handed off the ball to us! We got nazis in the Pentagon, the CIA, We got nazis in NASA. Hell, George Bush had Hitler-nazis running his campaign and nobody gave a damn!  
Now, we've got a whole new generation of nazis up and coming! We've got nazis in the legislature nazis on the Supreme Court, nazis in the Senate and nazis on TV!  
So, don't you believe it when Danny Quayle says there's no room for nazi skinheads in the good old U. S. of A.  
It's just a little in joke!



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**DEMONSTRATE AGAINST THE CROSS-BURNERS**

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 2ND 9:00 AM**

**CRIMINAL COURTS 210 W. TEMPLE**

## NEO-NAZIS ON TRIAL IN L.A. FOR TRIPLE CROSS-BURNING



Metzger, Butler, KKK and nazis burn three crosses, San Fernando Valley, December 1983.

Tom Metzger, head of the San Diego based White Aryan Resistance (WAR) and Richard Butler, head of the Idaho based para-military Aryan Nations, converged on L.A. in Dec. 1983 for a unity rally with Stan Witek, head of the local nazis, and L.A. grand dragon Frank Silva. When an infiltrator spilled the beans on their planned cross-burning, the racists made a deal with the cops to allow them to proceed with burning three crosses at what they claimed was a religious memorial for a dead cop, and be arrested afterward.

After many twists and turns in court, Metzger and some of his neo-nazi cohorts are finally facing trial for this act of racist terrorism. Jury selection is scheduled to begin on or about July 12, and PART is planning a demonstration at the Criminal Courts, 210 W. Temple, on Friday, August 2, at 9:00 A.M. What has happened with this more than eight year old case demonstrates that we can't rely on the cops or the courts to fight racist terror -- we need an alert, assertive anti-racist movement. At the time of the cross-burning, the D.A. wouldn't press charges, citing faulty police arrest reports. Then-City Attorney Ira Reiner brought misdemeanor charges, but a judge threw them out, citing the First Amendment rights of the neo-nazis. He gave the racist terrorists a tongue-lashing and let them go free.

Eventually, that decision was overturned in appeals court -- but not before several of the cross burners became federal fugitives, wanted for murdering a Jewish talk show host and robbing banks and a Brinks truck to finance a white racist revolution. One of the L.A. cross-burning defendants, before he was caught, also killed a Missouri state trooper. When the cross-burning charges were finally reinstated, Metzger moved to have them considered as felons, figuring he stood a better chance of more delays and another dismissal. He was right -- after many months of hearings and postponements, a second judge also threw the case out, buying Metzger's arguments that burning a cross was religious freedom. Once again, an appeals court reinstated the charges, but not before Tom and John Metzger were found liable for the killing of an Ethiopian refugee by their nazi bonehead followers in Oregon.

Now, after all these needless, racist deaths, the L.A. cross-burners are finally back in court on the original charges. A cross-burning is not an act of free speech or religious freedom -- A CROSS-BURNING IS AN ACT OF RACIST TERROR! Come to court and demand that justice finally be done, and that Metzger, Witek and their racist cohorts finally do the time for having done the crime!

## HATE CRIME UPDATE:

Thousand Oaks, April:  
Nazi boneheads break three windows and spray-paint graffiti on a Black family's home.

Huntington Beach, April:  
Three skinheads are arrested on suspicion of attempted murder in the brutal beating of two men who tried to stop their attack on a woman.

Bakersfield, April:  
Skins J. J. Gallagher, Adam Wasber and a juvenile are arrested for two drive by shootings.

Riverside, April:  
A cross-burning occurs in the yard of a house of a Hispanic man after a Black friend moved in.

Ventura, April:  
In a clash between Nazi bonehead and gang rivals, the front door and windows of a house formerly occupied by a skinhead is smashed in, and shots are fired.

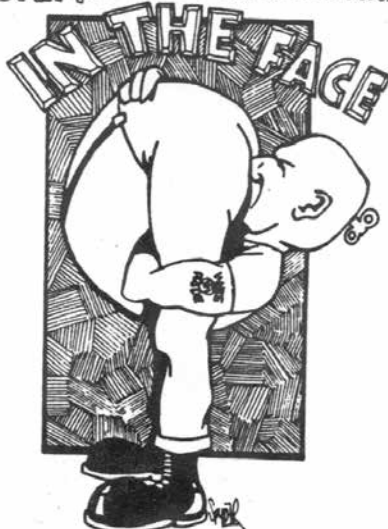
Santa Monica, May:  
Racist hate mail from the "Association for the Advancement of Conservative White Americans" is sent to the families of more than 700 Latino students at Santa Monica High School.

Yucaipa, May:  
Neo-nazi graffiti appears at Yucaipa H.S., and nazi bonehead hate propaganda is stuffed into lockers at the school. According to Klan-watch, local nazi-boneheads are being organized by James Oluden, just out of the Marines, into the Aryan Youth, aligning itself with WARskins in San Bernardino and Riverside. Oluden formerly led a group of racist skins in Hawaii.

Ventura, May:  
Repeated anti-semitic vandalism forces a Jewish sacramental goods shop to close. In a separate incident, three Navy men are arrested after brutally beating a gay man.

East L.A., June:  
A Jewish cemetery is vandalized with swastikas and KKK graffiti, and tombstones are toppled. Investigation determines that the attack was carried out by a security company seeking a contract.

### LOOKING THE RACIST SKINHEAD PROBLEM RIGHT



# 1991

### ALERT!

The same group of nazi boneheads, Klansmen, and rag-tag racists who tried to celebrate Hitler's birthday in April in Denver are planning to hold another rally to mark nazi Rudolph Hess' birthday on August 17. For more info, contact: The Saxifrage Group, POB 18717, Denver CO 80218



# Anatomy of an Uprising

Listening to various commentators, from all across the political spectrum, talk about the L.A. uprising in the wake of the police brutality acquittals in the beating of Rodney King, is like listening to the blind men try to describe the elephant. One holds the tail and says the elephant is like a rope; another grabs the trunk and says the elephant is like a hose; a third holds onto the leg and says it must be like a tree trunk, etc. Each may be partially right, but substitutes the part for the whole.

Bruce Hershenson says the looters weren't angry, they were enjoying themselves. Some on the left say the rebellion was the first multi-racial, multi-national bread riot. Others draw a parallel to the Watts Rebellion of more than 25 years ago. Some attribute the unrest to the reaction to the not guilty verdicts on the cops who beat Rodney King and the slap on the wrist for Soon Ja Du, the Korean woman grocer who shot and killed Latasha Harlins, also on videotape. Did the violence provide a catharsis and a chance for a new beginning in L.A.? Or, as others fear, did the events intensify racial animosity? Were antagonisms between Blacks and Koreans about racism, class, or cultural misunderstandings? Did the police stand back and let things get out of hand intentionally to embarrass the city's political leadership? Or perhaps just because they didn't care to put themselves at risk to protect Black, Hispanic or Korean neighborhoods, but were caught off guard as things spread swiftly around the city?

The L.A. rebellion was many different, sometimes contradictory things at the same time. To a certain extent, it was an outburst of Black rage against racism and injustice, against police brutality, economic deprivation and political frustration. It was

made inevitable by the unwillingness of white Angelenos to make the most minor reforms in the police department and by the craven cowardice of the City Council's self-satisfied majority in refusing to discipline Chief Gates for fear of his political clout with white homeowners in the Valley. To a certain extent, it was an expression of Black hostility towards whites, Koreans and others

them and for many Blacks mandated taking food, diapers and daily necessities from the stores.

To a certain extent, for Blacks, Mexicanos and whites alike, the uprising was a rupture in the social fabric, of "law and order," a chance to get something for nothing. Plenty of Mercedes Benzes were seen driving up to electronics stores and loading up with computers and CD players.

The example of looting set by Reagan, Bush and the S&L robber barons was certainly not lost on the oppressed classes either. The poor see quite as clearly as the rich that the ruling values of this society have nothing whatsoever to do any more with a fair day's work for a fair day's pay or with material success through hard work.

To a certain extent, the rebellion was the doing of the police, who spent the early period after the acquittals gloating, harassing Black youths, increasing tensions, and then retreated from the streets without making a sufficient effort to quiet communities, prevent damage to stores, or notify motorists of trouble spots. During the unrest police killed at least a dozen people; none of these deaths are likely to result in prosecutions or even reprimands.

The uprising also reflects the failure of the left, and not only the white left, to provide effective political leadership time. White "communists," whether followers of Stalin or Trotsky, white anarchists, even white peace and anti-intervention activists, have operated at the margins... *continued in TTT Vol. 5 No. 4.*

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identified as members of oppressor groups, a chance for "payback" regardless of political goals or consequences. To a certain extent, it was an unparalleled opportunity to stock up on weapons from sporting goods stores and pawnshops.

At the same time, the rebellion was an uprising of the dispossessed "Latino" plurality, especially the super-exploited undocumented Mexicano and Central American sectors who have continued to grow in the face of the immigration reforms of the past few years, which have legalized a few while driving others further underground. Simple survival for

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Hate-crime Update Police Racism ADL, JDL and Zionism

## Hawaiian Sovereignty



*"I, Lili'uokalani, . . . Queen, do hereby protest . . . and yield my authority until . . . the U.S. shall undo the action of its representatives . . ."*

# 1993

## A HEARTFELT CALL FOR SOVEREIGNTY

by Anubea Reimann-Giegerl

Recent events and publicity regarding the past, the present and the future of Native Hawaiians continue to leave their poignant imprint upon the souls of many. Great numbers of Native Hawaiians have had to let flow the painful emotions and thoughts which have been suppressed for a lifetime. The anger and the sadness transferred in the womb from one generation of Native Hawaiians to the next has been validated and punctuated.

Ancestral memories have forced their way to the surface and many Native Hawaiians know that those memories will haunt them until the spiritual forces which made life flow so easily for their kupuna are allowed to now freely and abundantly once again. The profound grief of Native Hawaiians is now exposed to the world and while the world figures out what, if anything, it will do about the Native Hawaiians, I and other kanaka maoli will continue to reach out for ways to deal with our grief which ultimately bring us serenity and wholeness.

In the spirit of encouraging honest and open discussions about Hawaiian sovereignty, I am offering my Native Hawaiian perspective about the importance of and urgent need for sovereignty. There are only about 200,000 Hawaiians walking this earth today who are inextricably rooted in this 'aina. My viewpoint is only one of those 200,000 voices. I do not presume to speak for the minds and the souls of any other Native Hawaiian, nor can I reveal all that is in my na'au.

Nonetheless, my views about this complex issue are valid and should be counted along with the mana'ò...  
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## Free Mumia!



On July 8, 1982, Mumia Abu-Jamal was sentenced to death for the murder of a Philadelphia police officer.

Mumia was banished from the trial because he repeatedly protested that the lawyer forced on him was incompetent.

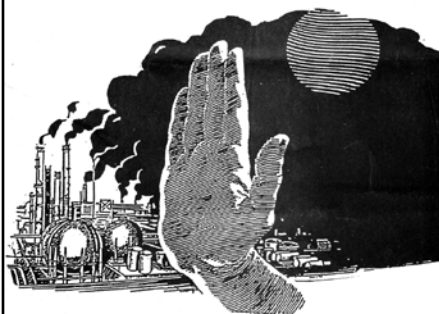
The prosecution's case rested solely on the testimony of two psychiatrists — whose accounts changed several times before the trial and contradicted physical evidence. Harassed from a pool of over 125 reporters — some of whom reported seeing a short man shoot the officer and flee — both had previous convictions and pending charges, making them susceptible to police pressure. Indeed, one defense witness testified that she — as well as a key prosecution witness who identified Mumia as the shooter — were pressured by the police to finger Mumia.

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## Fight Toxic Racism!



Radicalize Earth Day!

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## VIVA ZAPATA!

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The Urban Front of the Zapatistas carried out a number of bombings in the capital that helped to swiftly convince the Mexican government to stop its bombings of indigenous villages in Chiapas, announce a cease fire and seek a negotiated settlement with the EZLN. Human rights delegations to Mexico in the wake of the Zapatista uprising have reported a sea-change in mass consciousness not only in the immediate area of the insurgency in the south, but in Mexico City and other urban centers as well. One

visitor reported a taxi driver, so enraged at the limousine of some notable that was double parked and obstructing traffic downtown, demanding that the police get it moved. The taxi driver shouted at the elitist passenger in the limo, "In Mexico, this doesn't go anymore! Not since January first!" (the first day of the Zapatista takeover in Chiapas). PART is printing a translation of a document issued in the name of the Urban Front of the Ejercito Zapatista de Liberacion Nacional (EZLN).

"Message from the Urban Front of the EZLN in

Mexico City.

1. We are fighting against the violence of poverty, against the violence of hunger, as much as against the electoral farce or the violence of unemployment and the infirmities of the poor people. We are struggling for socialism.

For doing so, we are considered illegals, but what determines that the legality of the rich and the landlords is the only legality? Mexicans, blood brothers, are we condemned to be forever miserable? Answer honestly. If Madero had respected the legality of the dictator Porfirio Diaz, he would never have triumphed.

It cannot be legal to massacre with bombs our emergence to a better future. We also have the right to speak, but disgracefully, the government only understands the language of arms.

2. Who are the guilty ones, the indigenous people, the workers -- or the conditions of poverty and hunger that bring about the deaths of thousands of Mexicanos every year? Let not the government insult the intelligence of the Mexican people -- the culprit is the injustice imposed by the government, the theft, corruption, anti-democracy and ill-health. Do you believe, *compañeros*, that to live in a land that satisfies the necessities of the poor people, we should have to abandon our families? Is it not the case that we also have the right to enjoy our children? The Mexicans have never been cowards, but now we have said "Basta!" -- enough!

3. Is the failure of

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neo-liberal economics not yet clearly seen? Is it still not understood that other peoples of the continent will follow us? Have the welfare programs not been clearly exposed yet as the the electoral campaign of the PRI system? Do you not understand yet that historically speaking, the government is destroyed, even while it is massacring us? It must be recognized that the oligarchs have put the country up for sale.

4. For our ancestors, it was an honor to die fighting, as they did beginning in the fight against the Spanish Empire. Why should we now renounce this ultimate right that remains to us, struggling against those who are starving the people to death?

5. City dwellers, the Mexican Army, which has not yet been able to overcome the trauma of 1968 (the Tlatelolco massacre of thousands of students in Mexico City by military helicopters and troops --ed.), is taking prisoners and executing them, after having tortured them, with a bullet to the head. That is, the Army is gripped by fear, which is causing them to violate the international conventions of war. They are motivated by a salary, we by a thirst for justice.

6. We alert you, Mexican soldier -- a youth equal to us -- that this struggle will go on for many years... *continued in TTT Vol. 7 No. 2.*

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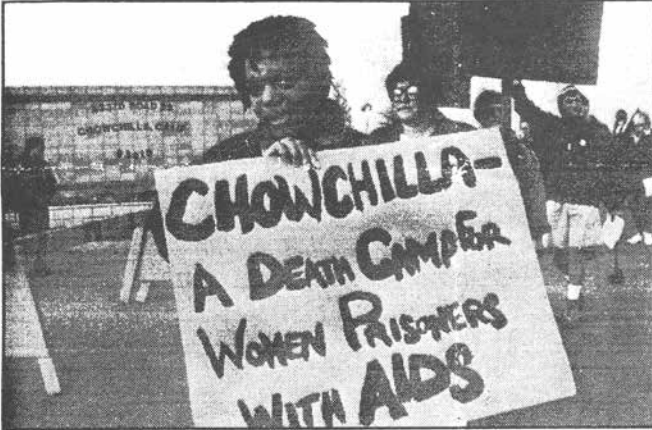


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# AMERICA BEHIND BARS

by Wendell "Blaque Prince" Caldwell

Whoever said that nothing is free,  
Go on lying to yourself -  
Don't repeat such tales to me.  
Go to City Hall on any given day,  
and you will witness judges  
just giving time away!

America has plantations across the land,  
slave labor prison camps  
built to exploit the Black man.  
Politicians manipulate pawns for economic gain:  
the Crime Bill is biased -  
therefore its message is plain.

Legislators should fight conditions which instigate crime  
and give the homeless jobs  
not force them to do time.  
The President should combat poverty in the U.S.A.  
but is more concerned with foreigners  
ten thousand miles away.

Watching cops on TV, I can't believe my eyes  
the Klan is fooling Africans  
with another clever disguise.  
The police don't protect us -  
they oppress us.  
Wake up! Demand justice!

The responsibility to stand up is your own,  
before they pluck you, too,  
and make a prison your home.

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# CENTENNIAL OLYMPICS, ATLANTA 1996: COUNTER INSURGENCY GOES FOR THE GOLD

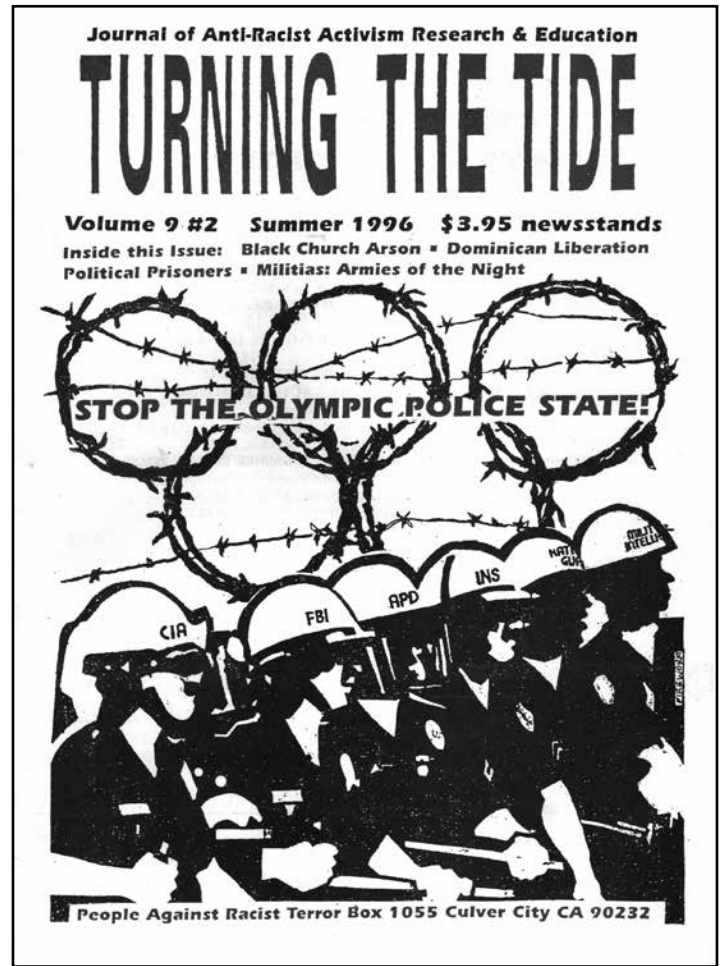
by Michael Novick

Atlanta, GA is gearing up to host the 1996 Summer Olympics, on the 100th anniversary of the founding of the modern Olympic Games. Hundreds of millions of dollars are being spent by the Atlanta Committee on the Olympic Games (ACOG), by multi-national corporations, particularly the media, and by all levels of government, to finance this colossal spectacle. With the Presidential race moving into high gear this summer, the Olympics will surely be played as a celebration of "America Resurgent: standing tall and on the move!"

197 countries will participate and as many as 100 heads of state will attend, led by the host, Bill Clinton. The 1996 Atlanta Olympic Games will be one of the most widely watched events of all time. The Games represent a prime arena for conventional politics. Taking yet another page out of Ronald Reagan's book, Clinton will surely wring every ounce of political advantage he can out of the Atlanta Games, as Reagan did with the '84 L.A. Olympics. Bill, Hillary, and their daughter, as well as V.P. Al Gore and his family, plan to attend several Olympic events. \$63 million in federal funds have been provided for "antiterrorist" security, and \$150 million more for other Olympics operations, such as transportation. In fact, the White House has been heavily involved in planning for the Olympics since before Clinton took office. The Bush regime began participating in planning the Games in September 1990, soon after Atlanta's selection as the Olympics site.

But the Games will be of international and domestic political importance, far beyond the shallow media politics of the presidential election. Faced with a massive erosion of popular support and trust for the state and the system, and a thinly disguised economic contraction that necessitates increased economic exploitation to sustain corporate profitability, the U.S. ruling elite is seizing on the Olympics as a major opportunity to get Americans rooting for the "home team, the greatest country on earth." Behind the patriotic hoopla, the Olympics logo and the official corporate sponsors, moreover, another more ominous development is taking shape. Under the guise of providing "security against a possible terrorist threat," the government is strengthening its police state apparatus in the heart of the Black Belt south and a center of both upwardly mobile, Black neo-colonial "bourgeoisie" and downtrodden Black masses.

George Orwell, whose book "1984" entered popular consciousness to become synonymous with the police state, once wrote that "international sport is like war without the guns." This July in Atlanta, the guns will not be absent. As more than 10,000 Olympians take the field; they will

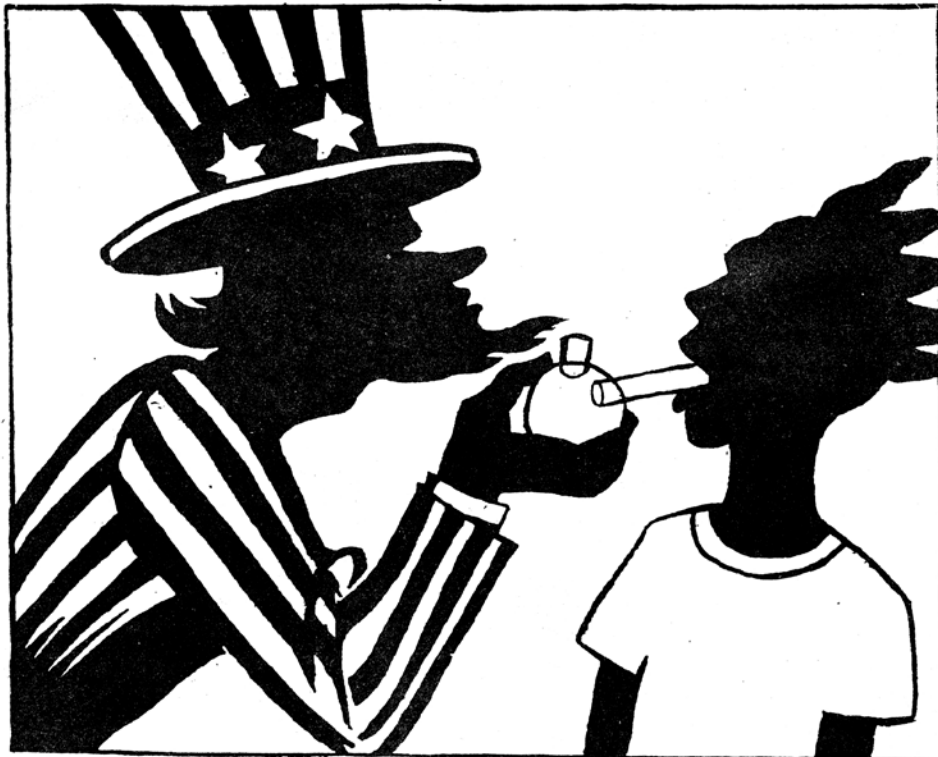


be outnumbered better than three-to-one by private and public law enforcement and counter-insurgency personnel from ACOG, local jurisdictions, the Army, Coast Guard, National Guard, CIA, FBI, Secret Service, Immigration and Naturalization Service and secret police from countless foreign countries. This ratio is even higher than that for the L.A. Olympics., which established the high... *continued in TTT Vol. 9 No 2.*



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# !CRACK THE CIA!



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In 1978, Mike Ruppert was an LA cop dealing with narcotics, who learned too much about the role of the CIA inside LAPD and in the global drug trade. He began to receive death threats, and was driven from the department. In '84, Sweet Alice Harris, struggling to overcome racist economic deprivation as an organizer in Watts, saw the community fall prey to a plague of imported drugs and violence. In '85, Celerino Castillo was a DEA agent in El Salvador, and became an eyewitness to the CIA funneling cocaine and weapons through Ilopango air base. In '91, Dr. David Sabow was called to CA for the funeral of his brother, Col. Jim Sabow, a decorated Marine who was found dead at El Toro Air Station after discovering CIA drug shipments in C-130's. On February 22, these four

and others came together, to speak out in front of L.A. City Hall to a rally and march of 4000 people protesting CIA involvement in drug trafficking and human rights abuses.

Sponsored by !CRACK THE CIA! Coalition, the demonstration expressed the outrage of African, Latina, white, and other communities of Los Angeles at the crimes committed by the CIA against the people of the U.S., Central America and other countries where counter-insurgency and covert wars have been carried out by narco-dictatorships and military death squads.

Beyond the disclosure of the link between the CIA-sponsored Nicaraguan Contras and LA crack dealers, the agency's bloody hand-prints have been exposed in the drug trade going back to CIA support of the Sicilian

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and Corsican Mafias in post-war Italy and France to counter Communist-led resistance and labor unions through the explosion of CIA-transported heroin from the Golden Triangle during the Vietnam War, and culminating with recent exposes of CIA protection of drug dealers in Central America, Venezuela, Haiti, Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Burma.

The protestors marched to the LA Times to protest the media whitewash of CIA complicity in drug dealing, following up on a "Stop the Snow Job!" picket at the Times a few days earlier by Fairness & Accuracy in Reporting (FAIR). Validating the protester's anger, the paper carried not a word about the multi-ethnic, cross generational march, the largest demonstration against the... *continued in TTT Vol. 10 No. 1.*

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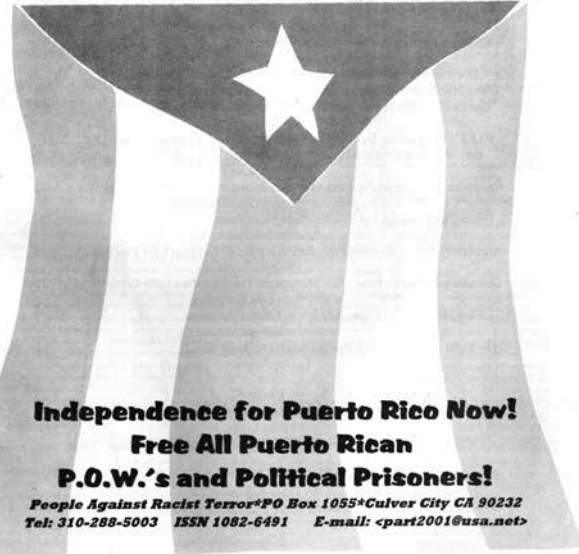
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## A Call for Pro-Active Unity: Build a National Civic Commission for Community Control of Police

by Michael Novick

The one category of serious crime which hasn't registered a steep decline in the past few years is crime by the police. Although there is no single reliable source of statistics, it's clear that the use of excessive and deadly force, as well as police corruption and misconduct, are on the increase.

Beyond the question of misconduct, however, police conduct in the current period is a serious political and social issue. Police forces around the country are pursuing strategies of militarization and "aggressive policing."

Elite "reform" efforts are part of the problem. Community oriented policing, for instance, was described by one advocate as the domestic equivalent of psychological operations in the military, a method to control the thinking of a population or the enemy.

The militarization and centralization of policing, within the U.S. federal system, is part of a global economic and political trend towards the undemocratic concentration of power and reliance on repression to maintain social control in a period of intensifying economic exploitation.

But in the face of this serious problem, existing community responses have tended to be reactive, piecemeal and/or localized. We tend to be hamstrung, as our rulers are not, by the fragmented nature of policing in the U.S. federal state, with more than 16,000 separate public police agencies, numerous private security forces, an alphabet soup of federal police forces, and hundreds of state and county jail and prison systems. Progressive forces are active around police and criminal justice issues in many scores of venues, but we toil often unaware of each other's efforts, victories, and hard-won lessons. There is no regularly published national voice for these campaigns that can provide evidence and analysis to arm the activists.... *continued in TTT vol. 11 no. 2.*

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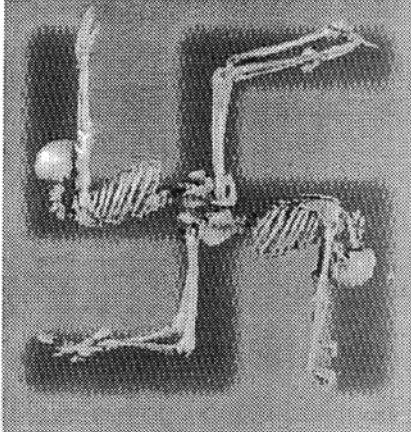
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## ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION FOR MEXICANO YOUTH IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY

by the Tierra Amarilla Youth Brigades

Throughout the southwestern United States, alternative education for Mexicano youth continues to be debated. Within the last 30 years, many latino educational theoreticians have concluded that fusing Mexican cultural and linguistic elements with existing public school curriculum will add diversity to education, thus ending Mexican educational deprivation in the US. Most believe that such cultural education is the sole answer to the problem of the high dropout rate of Mexicano youth from public schools. Yet our own experience and statistical evidence show that Mexican student dropout rates are higher today than in the early 70's, before these educational reforms took hold. This reality of Mexican student failure in public schools — or rather, of public schools' failure with Mexican students — is the reason that Mexicano community, students, and educators have come together to form the Tierra Amarilla Youth Brigades... *continued in TTT Vol. 12 No. 2.*



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The smoke has cleared, figuratively speaking, from the Republican and Democratic Party conventions in Philadelphia and Los Angeles. With, if not the whole world, then at least a substantial audience watching, major demonstrations were held on successive days at both venues; both cities were subjected to a virtual state of siege by local and state police forces. Philadelphia and even more so Los Angeles were marked by significant participation in the protests by local people, young people, and people of color, especially as compared to the prior Seattle and DC protests targeting corporate globalization.

In Philadelphia, more so than LA, police resorted to pre-emptive raids, mass arrests, and violence. However, a massive legal unity march in Philadelphia was unmolested, and the Kensington Welfare Rights Union led a second, non-permitted march which defied police pressure and threats to carry out its protest rally successfully. However, for the August 1 RNC actions targeting the criminal justice system, including police brutality, the death penalty and the case of Mumia

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## L.A. DNC 2K: This is What

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Abu-Jamal, the Philly cops took the gloves off.

Armed with fraudulent "intelligence" from private right wing counter-insurgency guru John Rees, the police raided the puppet-making center. They picked up people on the street, such as an organizer with the Ruckus Society, whose crime was talking on a cell phone, and held them for astro-

nomical bails. They made mass arrests and held people under inhumane conditions, and resisted campaigns to drop or lower the charges.

By comparison, in Los Angeles, the police concentrated on a show of force, making relatively few arrests. The LA cops maintained hands off a large, spirited rally for Mumia Abu-Jamal the day before... *continued in TTT Vol. 13.*

# AN OPEN LETTER FROM ONE PERSON IN THE U.S. TO THE OTHERS

by Michael Novick,  
People Against Racist Terror/Anti-Racist Action

How do we respond to the ferocious and unjustifiable acts of terror on September 11? Some people — starting with the president and the media — are whooping and hollering for “war,” but I don’t buy the polls that claim virtual unanimity for seeking military revenge and retribution. What the pollsters are really asking is, “Do you think the people who did this should get away with murder?” and of course 99.9 percent of people say “No!” But look into your own heart. In addition to anger, we are experiencing pain, grief, loss, bewilderment, denial — all the stages of contradictory emotions that you go through when somebody you care for dies, written 10,000 times larger.

It’s only natural that we want to pull together for support and comfort, to deal with strong and disturbing feelings of powerlessness that came out in response to the shocking attacks, death and destruction. But George Bush and his plans for war are a slim reed on which to hang our desire for unity and security. It is up to us, the people ourselves, to put forward a positive, humane, and effective vision, at a moment of anguish and danger. Military force will feed terror, not defeat it,

and in the process it will grind up and destroy the last of the freedom, creativity and hope for a better world that we rightly value.

The politicians and pundits want to hype up our anger, frustration and feelings of vulnerability into a war fever and a police state. I am just one person, a teacher and union member, a parent, who cannot command the attention of the media or the battalions of the largest military machine on the planet. But I know the average person has a much more complicated and really more profound set of reactions to what has happened. I know that, as I and others have gone out in these days since the attack with a message of peace, justice and solidarity, against war and racism, we have drawn a great deal of support and interest.

For each of us, in dealing with our feelings, with our ideas, or with questions about how to combat terror, there is a lot of sorting out to do. If we are each divided within ourselves... *continued in TTT Vol. 14 No. 3.*

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2) WE DON'T RELY ON THE COPS OR THE COURTS TO DO OUR WORK FOR US: This doesn't mean we never go to court, but the cops uphold white supremacy and the status quo. They attack us and everyone that resists oppression. We must rely on ourselves to protect ourselves and stop the fascists.

3) NON-SECTARIAN DEFENSE OF OTHER ANTI-FASCISTS: In ARA, we have lots of different groups and individuals. We don't agree about everything and we have a right to differ openly. But in this movement an attack on one is an attack on us all. We stand behind each other.

4) We support abortion rights and reproductive freedom. ARA intends to do the hard work necessary to build a broad, strong movement against racism, sexism, anti-Semitism, Islamophobia, homophobia, transphobia, and discrimination against the disabled, the oldest, the youngest and the most oppressed people.

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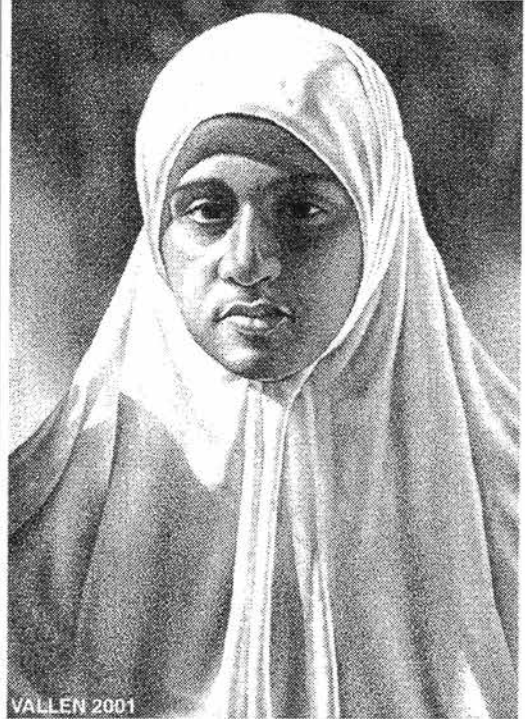
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## Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Anti-War Movement

What follows is an open letter raising issues of racism in the anti-war movement. In it, we identify racist practices that have hindered our ability to work together and will continue to do so, unless movement organizers take aggressive steps to overcome these dynamics. We wrote and signed this letter before the recent historic Feb. 15 rallies in NYC and around the world. Many of us were active in organizing for the demonstration in NYC.

We believe the assertion of the anti-racist politics outlined in our letter was critical to achieving an event with unprecedented inclusion of the majority, people of color, communities in NYC (as well as labor and working class people) in both the

leadership, the program and the entire demonstration. These were important steps forward, and we welcome this progress. At the same time, the racist dynamics we discuss in our letter were and remain a powerful factor in our work together, preventing the fullest unity and effectiveness. There are already signs that, with Feb. 15 behind us, long-standing racist patterns of operating are reemerging.

In order for future demonstrations and coalitions to build on the advances that were made and increase participation of all of our communities, it is urgent that the issues we raise in our letter be forthrightly addressed by the entire movement... *Read the letter in TTT Vol. 16 No. 1.*

## Aqui Estamos Y No Nos Vamos! Keep the Community Garden Open!

By Tezozomoc

The 14-acre Community Garden at 41st and Alameda is being sold by the City and is slated to close at the end of this year. The closure of this garden is a great loss for residents and the city at large, because Los Angeles has the lowest per capita access to open space of any major American city. This is a public space that not only provides recreation and aesthetic beauty; it instills a sense of community in an industrial section of town.

The garden is located in a low-income community that is being eaten away by expanding industrial development. This mixed use zoning area pits residents with commercial development and turns neighborhoods into asphalt. The garden is wedged between the Alameda Corridor and Long Beach Blue Line on 41st street where residents compete with trucks for the road space.

This is no ordinary community garden. For the past 10 years, through their hard labor, the gardeners have created a magical community asset by creating a lush green space in their very bleak concrete urban environment. The gardeners have built fences around their plots, tilled and fertilized the land through the introduction of organic matter, and planted trees, which attract birds and butterflies. Narrow pathways separate the 318 garden plots in a maze of foliage reminiscent of the high hedge gardens of Europe. Vines grow on the chain-link fences and form canopies over the pathways. The same vines grow into the gardens and provide... *continued in TTT Vol. 16 No. 4.*

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# The Covert War Against Native Americans

by Ward Churchill

There is a little considered aspect of the covert means through which the US maintains its perpetual drive to exert control over the territory and resources of others. It concerns, however, matters internal rather than external to the geographical corpus of the U.S. itself. It seems appropriate to quote a man deeply involved in the struggle for African liberation, Kwame Toure' (formerly known as Stokely Carmichael). In a speech delivered at the Yellow Thunder demonstrations in Rapid City, South Dakota, on October 1, 1982, he said:

"We are engaged in a struggle for the liberation of ourselves as people. In this, there can be neither success nor even meaning unless the struggle is directed toward the liberation of our land, for a people without land cannot be liberated. We must reclaim the land, and our struggle is for the land - first, foremost, and always. We are people of the land. So in Africa, when you speak of "freeing the land," you are at the same time speaking about the liberation of the African people. Conversely, when you speak of liberating the people, you are necessarily calling for the freeing of the land.

"But, in America, when we speak of liberation, what can it mean? We must ask ourselves, in America, who are the people of the land? And the answer is - and can only be - the first Americans, the Native Americans, the American Indian. In the United States of America, when you speak of liberation, or when you speak of freeing the land, you are automatically speaking of the American Indians, whether you realize it or not. Of this, there can be no doubt."

Those in power in the US understand these principles very well. They

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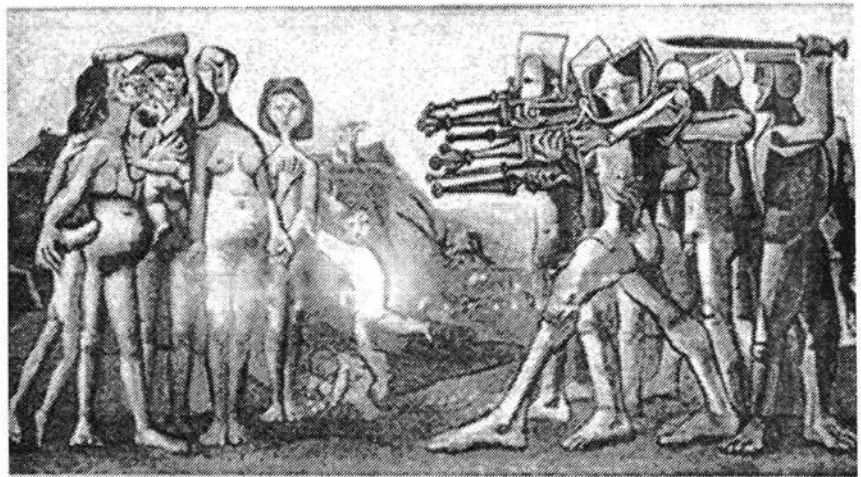
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know that even under their own laws, aboriginal title precedes and preempts other claims, unless transfer of title to the land was is or agreed to by the original inhabitants. They know that the only such agreements to which they can make even a pretense are those deriving from some 371 treaties entered into by the U.S. with various Indian nations indigenous to North America.

Those in power know very well that, in consolidating its own national land base, the US has not only violated every one of those treaties, but remains in a state of perpetual violation to this day. Thus, they know they have no

legal title - whether legality be taken to imply U.S. law, international law, Indian law, natural law, or all of these combined - to much of what they now wish to view as the territoriality of the US proper.

Finally, they are aware that to acquire even a semblance of legal title, that stands a chance of passing the informed scrutiny of both the international community and its own citizenry, the U.S. must honor its internal treaty commitments, at the very least. Herein lies the dilemma: In order to do this, the U.S. would have to return much of its present geography to the...  
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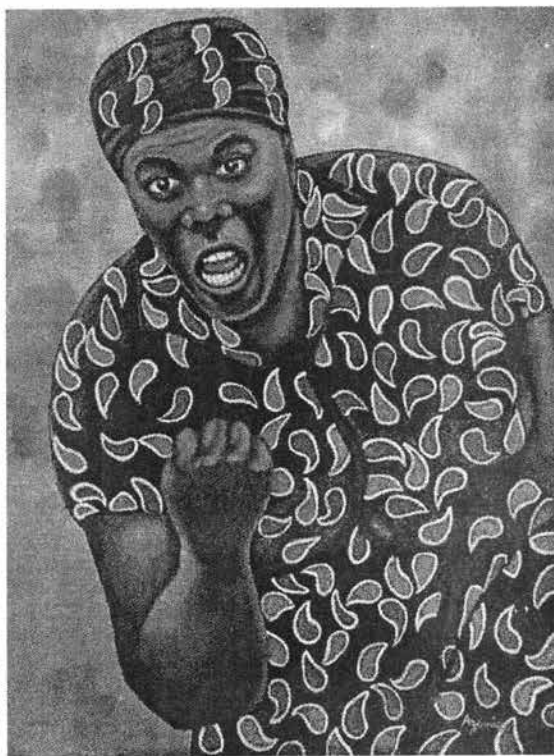
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## MUST TOOKIE BE EXECUTED?

by Kalima Aswad

Political Prisoner in Vacaville, California

The state of California, backed by the U.S. Supreme Court, says, "Yes, the public is better off by killing Stan 'Tookie' Williams."

If it has not already done so, California will set an execution date for Tookie Williams in a few days. [Editor's note: Williams, a founder of the Crips, author, and subject of the film *Redemption*, is scheduled to die on December 13.

I never met Tookie and haven't had the pleasure of reading any of the several books he has written, but as an ex-death row prisoner myself, I feel a

need to speak in his behalf.

I got off death row 33 years ago and am still in prison. I, along with others who got off death row in 1972, but remain incarcerated, are living proof that public protection is not justified by state imposed murder.

Even if he is guilty, must Tookie die? His case is unique because he has been convicted of murder and he is also credited with saving many from following the path of the crime violence that marked his early life.

It is generally accepted that if one kills a person it is as if he killed the whole people. On the other hand, if one saves a life, it is as if he saved the

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life of the whole people.

One of the things that gives justification to government's existence is that it protect the people, but not in any way it sees fit. It also has the responsibility of catering to the real needs of its citizens.

The situation in the black communities in California and all across this land is desperate. People are living in a state of fear as gangs run rampant in seas of alcohol, crime, drugs, and violence.

For a long time, people of these communities have been crying out for protection – help from anybody: police (who often turn out to be a bigger source of fear than the gangs they are asked to control), preachers, doctors, lawyers – anybody who can help turn the situation around.

What I'm saying is not difficult to confirm. Turn on any news telecast on any given day and the painful message of another shooting death blares out a mother's agony at her child being blown away in another senseless act of violence.

"Tookie the Terrible," from death row, the one held largely responsible for the gang violence, writes from his prison cell on San Quentin's death row, pleading for young people to turn away from the lifestyles that lead to crime, drugs, and violence, and to turn to education and productive lives.

So forceful have been his efforts that he was... *continued in TTT Vol. 18 No. 5.*



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## General T.A.C.O. Speaks:

### On the Watch-a-Pig Program, Armed Self-Defense, the Panther Eight and the Brutal Government Assassination of Tookie

by General T.A.C.O.

Black Riders Liberation Party

When the LA rebellion exploded mainly because of the savage brutal beating of Rodney King by the racist LAPD, it revealed that young black people trapped in the poverty stricken ghettos had finally come to their African senses, united in a "gang" truce, and rejected taking their frustration out on each other that stemmed from white racism and capitalist oppression. In the past, the outcome of such

negative self-hatred resulted in a severe non-violent posture towards the racist police and other government agents of repression.

Brothers and sisters who were considered hardcore on the streets would literally start running from just the sight of the racist police. On April 29, 1992, the LAPD started running! After the rebellion, black unity was very strong, so the LAPD began to openly carry M-16 military rifles to try to further

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intimidate the Black community and tried to destroy every peace gathering in every "hood" in LA!!

The times were changing, and the Black Riders were in tune. In 1996 we circulated in Watts, South Central, Inglewood, Hawthorne, Compton and Long Beach, talking to young black brothers and sisters on the need to unite and push our constitutional and human rights, especially our right to have weapons and defend ourselves. Many of them could identify with what the Black Riders were saying, because they had experienced and witnessed so much outlaw gang behavior by the police. Many of them donated and gave us their legal guns and other self defense weapons to help us begin the first watch-a-pig program patrols to move against the racist pigs.

The fascist police act as an imperialist occupying army like they're working overseas in Iraq or Afghanistan, monitoring the actions of the neo-colonial poor Black people and swooping in at will, with high-powered guns, to trap and leave as quickly as they came, yet never responding to the real safety needs of the community. Harassment, terror, torture, brutal beatings, drive-by shootings, stop and frisk, and verbal abuse are the standard operating procedures for the police. Regular and sometimes massive sweeps through the Black communities are launched by the various pig forces (including the FBI) and authorized by the racist European ruling class and corrupt high public political officials in the name of trying to fight "crime" and "gangbanging." Whole blocks have been cordoned off and anyone entering and exiting are questioned. The police consider any Black person, including our children, as a typical criminal suspect or "public enemy!" When it is the paramilitary police who have contributed to the...  
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## George Jackson Freedom Summer After-School Survival Program

*“They send us to school to learn how to be disgusting. We send our children to places of learning operated by men who hate us and hate the truth. It is clear that no school would be better. Burn it; all the fascist literature, burn that too. Then equip yourself with the little red book. There is no other way to regain our senses.”*

– Comrade George Jackson, BPP

The Black Riders Liberation Party created the George Jackson Freedom School summer program to combat the miseducation of our youth. This is one of our new survival programs.

We think it’s necessary to raise awareness about the issues that affect our communities and to educate our youth about their own cultures and histories. These are usually absent in the current educational system. The knowledge we share is essential to encourage self-empowerment, self-determination and mobilization for change.

The goals and objectives of our summer after-school program are to keep our youth off the streets by providing a safe place where they can take a break from the Matrix. Here they can learn about who they really are and their true position in the world through cultural activities, edu-tainment and alternative education... *continued in TTT Vol. 23 No. 3.*

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## EDITORIAL RETRACTION AND SELF-CRITICISM

The Portland chapter of Anti-Racist Action, Rose City Antifa, brought to our attention that Turning the Tide has published several pieces from authors and sources that promote anti-Semitism, denial of Hitler’s genocide of the Jews, and “left-right collaboration.”

We regret the error in publishing, without sufficiently investigating the sources and associations, what purported to be simply pro-Palestinian articles. As anti-fascists, we should have been more familiar with these anti-Semitic sources and narratives so as to oppose them effectively and counter the corrosive effect they have on anti-racism and true solidarity with Palestinians. TTT has long opposed a “red-brown” alliance...

...We want to thank Rose City Antifa for bringing these matters to our attention at the recent ARA Network conference, which they hosted, and for their diligent research efforts in documenting such pro-Nazi and anti-Semitic material.

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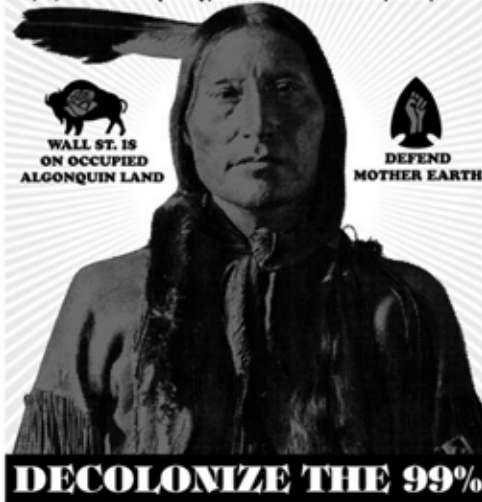
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# RUMORS

Stories of on-the-street Anti-Racist/Anti-Fascist actions in the U.S. & Canada Compiled by Hub City ARA.

Chicago, IL. – March – Anti-choice leader Joe Schneider held an event in Chicago. Three of its attendees had their tires slashed by local antifa.

Chicago, IL. – April – An attempted “Hitler’s Bday” party organized by area Nazi Art Jones was abruptly ended by a smoke bomb left in the bathroom of the restaurant it was being held in. There were no injuries or damage.

Pemberton, NJ. – April – The National Socialist Movement (NSM) attempted to hold their annual conference at a small hall in a small town in New Jersey. ARA found out the location, arrived on the scene to protest, and were attacked by the Nazis. The antifa (around 20) defended themselves, injuring 8 nazis and putting 4 in the hospital. 2 Antifa were arrested several hours later but it is unclear if they were even present at the melee.

Philadelphia, PA – June – Philadelphia ARA organized a successful benefit... *continued in TTT Vol. 24 No. 3.*

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## AGREEMENT TO END HOSTILITIES

To whom it may concern and all California Prisoners:

Greetings from the entire PBSP-SHU Short Corridor Hunger Strike Representatives. We are hereby presenting this mutual agreement on behalf of all racial groups here in the PBSP-SHU Corridor. Wherein, we have arrived at a mutual agreement concerning the following points:

1. If we really want to bring about substantive meaningful changes to the CDCR system in a manner beneficial to all solid individuals, who have never been broken by CDCR's torture tactics intended to coerce one to become a state informant via debriefing, that now is the time for us to collectively seize this moment in time, and put an end to more than 20-30 years of hostilities between our racial groups.

2. Therefore, beginning on October 10, 2012, all hostilities between our racial groups... in SHU, Ad-Seg, General Population, and County Jails, will officially cease. This means that from this date on, all racial group hostilities need to be at an end... and if personal issues arise between individuals, people need to do all they can to exhaust all diplomatic means to settle such disputes; do not allow personal, individual issues to escalate into racial group issues!!

3. We also want to warn those in the General Population that IGI will continue to plant undercover Sensitive Needs Yard (SNY) debriefer "inmates" amongst the solid GP prisoners with orders from IGI to be informers, snitches, rats, and obstructionists, in order to attempt to disrupt and undermine our collective groups' mutual understanding on issues intended for our... *continued in TTT Vol. 25 No. 4.*

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# SEX WORK AND SOCIAL CHANGE

by members of the Sex Workers Outreach Project

Back in 1997, a group of radical activist sex workers in India called the First National Sex Worker Congress, wrote a manifesto, and became some of the first to articulate the values of what has become known internationally as the "Sex Worker's Rights Movement." Their documents continue to inform a global struggle. They wrote that "this movement is for everyone who strives for an equal, just, equitable, oppression free and above all a happy social world." They also acknowledged that "sexual inequality and control of sexuality engender and perpetuate many other inequalities and exploitation too." According to the First Congress, and most importantly, we are faced with a singular opportunity, a chance to get at the roots of multiple forms of injustice because the sex worker rights movement addresses racism, sexism, classism, and any and all other -isms that keep people oppressed. At the intersection of economic transaction and sexuality, one can find most of the darkest contradictions of the dominant industrialized, global capitalist paradigm we live under. Perhaps because of this, one can also access some of the most potent revolutionary potential.

We use the term "sex work" to refer to ourselves when we talk politics. Why should you use it too? First reason: sex workers came up with it for ourselves. We use it because it is gender neutral, and because it reminds us that the erotic industries are myriad, and our trajectories in the industries tend to be wildly unpredictable mixes of cultural, political, economic, and personal factors with some very real commonalities among our varied experiences. We are sometimes doing legal work, sometimes extra-, para-, or straight up illegal, and saying "sex work" protects us from legal consequence while we try to find each other. When a person tells you s/he is a sex worker, your first question

should not be "does that mean you're a prostitute?" Your first question should be: "How can I be supportive to your struggle?"

Sex workers are operating in every neighborhood. We are working in every city, in every county, in every state, and, particularly in the United States of Amerikkka, we are subject to some of the most insidious divide-and-conquer tactics invented by the carceral state. A sex worker is the person most likely to be murdered, worldwide. Even those who work in "high-end" escorting have no recourse to community help or protection if they are in danger.

We are accused of spreading disease, when we have some of the most sophisticated safe sex practices available and often act as sexual health educators for our clients and communities. We are arrested for carrying condoms in New York, Los Angeles, and many other places, even though those condoms can save lives. We are the butt of "dead hooker" jokes, we are blamed for other... *continued in TTT Vol. 26 No. 4.*

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