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Albion's Voice

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**PSYCHO-CHAUVINISM**

We are witnessing in Savannah a mass psychosis contaged from a spreading national nervous. It's called "psycho-chauvinism." The sickness may have come from as far away as Europe. The exact history of the disease is unsure: it could've dated as far back as three hundred years ago; or very likely, it could've come over in the past twenty years from the Third Reich.

Two Albin's Voice street sellers were threatened by an off-duty pig who cursed and threatened them brandishing a pistol. Later he fabricated charges of trampling on an American flag and cursing an officer. However, his false charge of flag desecration cannot stand up because FBI agents had just been on the scene to investigate a seller's flag facsimile. As for his other charge—well, what do you say to someone who waves a gun in your face? Still the pig freely patrolled for the city police for over a week after a warrant was sworn out for his arrest. And he had shouted at the sellers that he would get them. As this editorial is being written, it is still unsure whether any punitive action has been taken against him: police will release no information about him. Yet summary investigatory action has been taken on his warrant against Richard Sommers, one of the Albin's Voice street sellers.

At Savannah Beach thugs pigs grabbed a 15 year old's copies of Albin's Voice and ordered him not to sell at the beach. This was done in spite of Judge She's court orders for Beach police not to harass Albin's Voice sellers because such prohibitive actions would be in direct violation of Constitutional rights of freedom of press. Pigs who insist on law and order and yet violate the very laws they are supposedly employed to defend are either complete fools or malicious tools. It is indeed ironic that they cloak themselves in the flag and shout belligerently that they are 'peace officers!' This editor will not describe as pigs police who do actually defend the rights of the people. However, it is becoming more and more difficult to find officers who will not bend to orders of their superiors who command gestapo tactics be used against the people. A good example is the police commissioner at Savannah Beach who ignores court orders and raunts his authority on young people with a lot of help from his henchmen. Some sources at the Beach even went to the trouble of financially pressuring Southern Motors out of advertising for the Steppenwolf concert in Albin's Voice. That's how upright they are: "down there."

For some strange change Savannah police have alleged orders not to hassle long-hairs. This report came from reliable sources; so if there is truth in it, it may exonerate, though, hip people shouldn't take this reprieve plain why that off-duty pig tried to assail our street sellers. He must've felt hamstrung. Aside from any complaints about drug traffic because that would mean investigating the Mafia. Vice is nice at the right price, so heroin continues to flow and profits from blacks and junkies continue to grow.

A word of advice to all those who dig their grant watch your ass because wholesale arrests are about to pass. 'Hey now what's that sound point '

"round... para... para... Don't let the man catch you 'cause he'd like to put you away, especially if you're in any way political. White Panther leader John Sinclair is in for ten years for laying two joints on a narc who'd been pestering for over a year for 'a turn on' in order to turn Sinclair in. Know your friends: they're the people you really get high with, even without drugs.

Stay together because we're for stormy weather: hip people were assaulted downtown the other night by rednecks and beaten badly. Also, John Richards an ex-Crisis Center worker, was gouged in the hand when trying to shield his neck from a screwdriver wielded by a redneck. John claims the attack was not provoked by racial antagonisms (John's black) so much as by his association with hip people and drugs, which the rednecks identified him with. In spite of John's natural friendliness, the rednecks demanded his watch and then was viciously attacked. He hurled himself from the car which was going 60 m.p.h. That's desperation, man!

And that's what hip people and blacks can often expect when they travel alone. Blacks have had to put up with it for a long time; white niggers are just learning the rules of the road. In Macon the pig mayor there ordered the police to shoot to kill looters and rioters. So police (and Southern police forces are well known to be infested with KKK members) become judge, jury, and executioner in one inflammatory order. The climate in Macon is about at riot breaking point and city officials are only serving to embold and exacerbate conditions of hate.

When and where this psychotic chauvinistic insanity began has become an irrelevant question. We must deal with the cancer now. If we really hope to heal and cure, we obviously cannot resort to bandages because beneath the skin grows a malignant tumor. Spiritual consciousness must be developed that transcends the past and goes beyond to a world where as Blake says, 'Joy laughs not! Sorrows weep not!' and 'Truth can never be told so as to be understood, and not be believed.' Such a level of consciousness is not at all easily attained, rather, it comes from an honest sense of suffering and struggle. Sincere commitment and struggle for a real brotherhood are the only paths to making this country truly democratic, truly a land of free people, and not some psychotic chauvinistic flag-waving insane asylum.

—Bill Strong
Well, here's our answer to the park permit request filed for over three weeks ago. Every weekend since the middle of May the Park and Tree Commission hasn't been able to contact all of the Commission's members for a decision on whether or not Daffin Park or Forsyth Park could be used for a People's Festival. Word finally comes to us:

Dear Mr. Strong,

I am sorry of the delay in reply to your notes requesting use of Daffin Park on the 20th and 21st of June. The application for the festival permit was scheduled for the last weekend in May. The application was filed for in mid May. The end of May rolled around and no word came from officials. A request was made for the first weekend in June; next request the second weekend, now the third, and each time the Park and Tree Commission has stalled on the requests. We were told that the Commission met on June the 9th; so we waited to hear from them on the 10th. Finally, we took the initiative to call them on the 10th, and we were told that no decision had been made. The phone was abruptly hung up on the other end before any discussion could cross the wire.

The People's Festival Steering Committee can do nothing legitimately until a park permit is approved: bands can't be scheduled (and we had three heavy groups and Tree Commission refusal to contact Savannah, Georgia: an All-American City, a city where change is synonymous with Communism...)

The letter was not thrown together for the purpose of knocking the movement but for the purpose of knocking the hypocrisies in it. It's hypocritical to point your finger at someone else, to judge a man on his attire or by how much hock he's done. It seems to me not only the white collar conservative points his plastic finger, but also the so-called hip factions in our community.

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Ira Giffen

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REAGAN'S READY: ARE WE?

YOSEMITE, Calif. (LNS) -- Ronald Reagan has called for a "bloodbath" to silence student revolutionaries. He made the remark here April 8 during a campaign speech before the Council of California Growers. In answering questions from the floor Reagan said he doesn't think campus militants are interested in solving problems and called them "part and parcel of revolution." He added, "If it takes a bloodbath, let's get it over with. No more appeasement."

"BLOODBATH" wouldn't look too good in the California headlines. Later Reagan's press Secretary told reporters, "He wasn't even aware he said it.

R A P

Two longhair are out for a cool stroll when all of a sudden, "Hey, muthafuckin' boy, you muthafuckin' girl! You look like refugees from a guerrilla low-in, yuh got any money? Come over here an' we'll pound some of that hair off yuh ears for yuh. Yuh-yuk, yuh-yuk, yuh-yuk...." Something like this is probably familiar to most people around here by now. Either you've been on the receiving end of one of these homopaw blasts or you've at least heard them taking place, perhaps while taking a walk in our fair streets of Savannah. Anyway, whether you're sure whether or not, stuff like this is going on a lot these days and is more likely to increase instead of decrease in the future. The point is not whether it's good or bad that such hostility exists between heads and others in the community. The point is that it just does, and where do we go from here?

It's two months after the above quote was so eloquently uttered...Due to some strange quirk of fate the same two freaks haven't been busted yet, walking down the street, the very same one, when Jeetooese Keeerrett, yep, you guessed it, the same two redneck appear. Only this time they don't feel like wasting time in the duel of "wits" "cause they've just come from a well-spent cocktail hour at Emrick's/A-Goo-Goo getting wasted, besides, they ain't never liked these two fuckin' faggots anyway. So they start right out poundin' and man, this just rubs the freaks the wrong way--a lot. After the ordeal the freaks pick each other up off the pavement, and dig it, all while they're rapping hard about guns and shit and you know they mean it! They know those rednecks got gonna walk at home that just glutin and bulge all over.

And this is no faile. It's happening like this all over the place. In Chicago last winter Panther Fred Hampton was offered by the pigs while in bed with his wife for crimestoppers. It's happening in San Francisco and New York and Atlanta and Miami. Two months ago in Boston pigs severely beat a blind man and his wife (among others) for being present when a people's block party was raided. Even Mayor Kevin White (wasteb) felt obliged to issue a statement to the effect that the pigs were nervous and over reacted slightly. Big deal, all that means is that the cops can turn around and do the same thing again and because they've always got some smooth-talkin' bigger shot to back them up, right on up to the chief pig in the land, Tricky Dick. And all together they form what's known as a smooth-talkin' big shotin' fascist bureaucracy whose sole aim in life is to exploit and oppress and otherwise screw the common people and not just here in America but all over the world.

In Savannah we've got rough weather ahead. The weather won't be easy. We've got our own local power structure to contend with, smaller, but no less corrupt, no less ruthless. and no less asinine than his fat brother in Washington D.C. Jagger said, "It ain't easy livin' on your own." He's right. It wasn't easy last month at Kent State and Augusta, and it isn't going to be easy this month.

Steve Conner

The government of the United States of America is hereby declared guilty of destroying the people's laws. The police state which now exists in America must end. The basic, human rights are only given to a chosen few. The Declaration of Independence states that "all men are created equal" yet in the courtrooms across the pig nation, there is a man sitting in a chair sentencing other men his equals to wear in a cage.

For those uninformed as to how far the government has gone in their campaign to destroy the Constitution, I give you some information. As an example; take the trial of Bobby Seale, an American citizen, Chairman of the Black Panther Party. The trial commenced on September 24, 1969 in Chicago, Illinois. Bobby Seale, Jerry Rubin, Abbie Hoffman, David Dellinger, Tom Hayden, Rennie Davis, Lee Weiner, and John Froines were tried on conspiracy to incite a riot in the Democratic National Convention in Chicago. The defendant Bobby Seale is charged with having come to Chicago from San Francisco with the intention of planning a march on the International Amphitheater which never took place; a sleep-in in Lincoln Park; an attack on the Loop in which according to the indictment, "Large numbers of persons would break windows, set off false alarms, set small fires, disable automobiles," and so on. He is also charged with a plan to invade the Conrad Hilton and hold and forcibly occupy all or part of it. It must be re-emphasized that none of these accusations came to pass. Mr. Seale was in Chicago only two days during the convention. The charges against Mr. Seale are based simply on a speech he gave in Lincoln Park in which he urged the audience "to barbeque some pigs." Judge Julius Hoffman, over the objection of the defense, allowed Robert Perrion, an undercover Chicago pig to tell the jury that this meant "to burn some pigs." In the same speech Seale urged his listeners to defend themselves with guns against illegal attacks by the police. This statement was also used by the pigs to charge Seale with conspiracy. At the time of his speech he did not know most of his fellow defendants and barely knew the rest; yet they were all grouped together as conspirators.

Mr. Charles Garry was hired by Mr. Seale as his attorney. Seale asked and was refused a postponement on the grounds that Mr. Garry couldn't be there because of a major operation which he was scheduled to recover from around September 15, 1969. The next thing Seale asked for was his constitutional right to defend himself in the absence of his lawyer. Judges are required to grant this right provided it is requested early enough so as not to interfere with orderly proceedings. Judge Hoffman took it upon himself to deny this right also. This constitutional right has been exercised many times in the past.

All through the trial Mr. Seale demanded his right to self-defense and to cross-examine witnesses. Finally, on Nov. 5, 1969, Bobby Seale was sentenced on sixteen charges of contempt; three months on each charge to run consecutively. This was after a martial was declared in this case alone. According to a recent Appeals Court ruling, a defendant in a contempt proceeding is entitled to a jury trial of the possible penalty exceeds six months. By sentencing Seale to sixteen terms of three months each, Judge Hoffman presumably meant to circumvent this ruling.

The United States of America continues to call this justice. I call it railroading, racism, fascism, and a dictatorship run by a group of pigs. If this is justice, I want no part of it. Fred Hampton, Chairman of the Illinois Black Panther Party, once said, "This system is out to kill us and we know it. Some say we are not ready to take this monster. We say that we do not want to...but that is not the question any longer. The monster has taken us on and we have to deal with it now!"

Fred Hampton is no longer alive. He was murdered in bed on Dec. 4, 1969 by PIG NATION.

Gary Stutta, with help from the CONSPIRACY: RIGHT ON!
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In the early 60's Bob Dylan came along. Then the Beatles; a little dope. Rock music is something we can claim as our own. Something which we created. Yet Rock music isn't a concept, it's a place in our music. It's like bell-bottoms and longhair and dope. Everybody's doing it. Last year it was Soul music over at Savannah High, now it's Leaf Supplies. The boss's wife is wearing right hip-huggers. The vice-president of the local bank smokes hash. The travails of a life style are all around us. Only when we start trying to shape our own lives and passions and the decisions making power affecting us does change come. The dope is used in Vietnam to keep the troops doctored so they won't put a hole in the second lieutenant.

So what does this have to do with rock? I personally believe that music has changed a lot of people's heads. And that it can change a lot more. So called rednecks dig Creedence Clearwater. They like Santana. People listen to Johnny Cash. Grand Funk gets heads together. Dig it!

Let's face the truth! Most all (bands) are into the rock scene for the money, sex, dope, and prestige. Hendrix has received over $75,000 for an hour's worth of musical entertainment (7) many times.

At last week's Commercial Carnival in Atlanta Stadium, Albert King was there and didn't play. He would probably have had to play for free. His time was taken up by the white bands. Albert King is a great guitarist influencing Page, Clapton, Townshend and the rest of the 'super' guitarists. Bonnie, Delaney and Friends showed up at the Atlanta Sports Arena for a gig. Only 100 freaks were present, R&B wouldn't play. Look at the Grateful Dead. They've played thousands of free rock concerts all over the States and are thousands of dollars in debt. But they're heads and hearts are with the people they play for. At Woodstock perhaps the most important single event occurred—ironically—in the form of violence, and not violence against America but rather violence against brothers. The Who's set included most of Tommy and during a break between songs Pete Townshend, who was humming on acid and a fucked-up head, leapt up to the microphone and piously announced, "I think this is a pile of shit." In the rock album Woodstock Nation Abbie Hoffman has to say, "Free John Sinclair!" However, people have it on tape and hundreds of thousands of people freaked out on this sweaping condemnation of The Who, Woodstock, the cultural revolution, etc. Considering the level of consciousness of those hundreds of thousands of people who were at, the exploding sunset, Tommy, what Sky and the Family Stone had done earlier, Hoffman's treatment of the sides and his "pile of shit" denunciation were incredible acts of violence.

The second act of violence was physical. Peter Townshend, dean of Rock guitarists, himself bumping on a dose of acid he had unwillingly tapped from a cup of coffee, quite aware of the contradictions at Woodstock, struck Abbie with his guitar hard and heavy, like the music. And, ironically, a lot of folks dug it. Especially the peace freaks who wanted to see Hoffman as an "outside agitator," a scurrily, militant, up tripping them in the side of Woodstock, the 'nation' he would later name and define for America in the Chicago Conspiracy Trial. But nobody knew what to make of the violent confrontation between these two brothers, both of them for some time figures for emulation by the masses. One the author of Revolution for the Hell of It, the other the Composer of My Generation, both distributed by American capitalist institution, both more than subversive. Most people don't talk about the incident at all, the golden legend of Woodstock was so much more beautiful without it.

But Hoffman himself was so freaked out that he had to write an entire book articulating to himself and us what took place. Woodstock Nation is about a bunch at White Lake that as Hoffman says "cumulates with a battle on stage with the Who. On one of those rare acid trips where everything caves in. I learned enough shit from it, though, that maybe it wasn't such a slump after all. I can say, in man, I took a heavy trip." Hoffman says the confrontation with Townshend "symbolizes my amynit/inity attitude toward that particular rock and the whole rock world in general. Clearly, I love their music and sense in the energy to liberate millions of minds. On the other hand, I feel compelled to challenge their role in the community, to try and crack their plastic done."

Regardless of what "politics" may think or say, Rock & Roll is more important to young people now than ever before, although the kind of importance it has is changing radically. At the present time, Rockers are realizing—listeners, musicians, and middle men alike—that Rock & Roll must move beyond its capitalistic consumerism. We or we will see summers of barbedwire rock festivals, "Woodstock reservations," and youths divided into Freaks and Counters (one will be busted, jailed, and murdered; the other will grow into loyal Americans with long hair). It may very well be that understanding the violent confrontation between Abbie Hoffman and Peter Townsend at Woodstock can help us understand more of what we are, what divides us, and what we have to do before we can join in changing the world we live in. If, however, this confrontation among the people is not resolved, and we do not stand united as a Western revolutionary movement, then we will not be able to struggle to win a place in the new world. And that's what it's all about.

--Greg Scott, with help from Miller Frances, Jr.

HYSTERICAL SAV'H

Z is something that could easily happen right here in Sav'h instead of where it was shot in Greece. American conservatives alike like to squabble over the usage of the term 'fascism.' Z caps any such outburst arguments over semantics.

At first Z comes on too propped like Antonioni's Zabriskie Point. However, there is good reason for character manipulation. Permit after permit is denied the peace movement's meeting plan., until finally the gathering is granted a hole in the wall union hall, a lot like the Sav'h Peace Festival was isolated by city officials.

As the opposing forces of peace and violence come to clash, dread violence strikes down the liberal peace movement's leader. Investigation ensues which is at first cynically against the peace movement's charges of government complicity in the assassination and beatings of the peace deputies: however, gradually the truth divulged, fact by fact, until the plot to kill is revealed not as a leftist Communist conspiracy to discredit the peace movement as a right wing thing. Shades of the Kennedy assassination that had similar instances of remarkably coincidental deaths of key witnesses and government coversups. There always has to be a scapegoat: so the alien forces of Communism has to be blamed.

To avoid the truth government officials repeatedly blamed the peace movement for agitation; long-haired hippies for degeneration; and the Communist for corruption.

One major point brought out was that the fascists were killing people not simply physically but also psychologically. Through bribery and mob manipulation police and military officials perpetrate crude physical as well as psychological violence and killing. The magistrate who investigates the assassinations insists on finding out the truth; yet despite his leaking the plot to the police and military, he finds himself trapped in a web of greedy spiders. And students quickly accept the government's line as they are keeping with a typical liberal bourgeois movement. Flashbacks and drifty techniques were smoothly integrated into the film's flow. Dubbing was poor; it should've been subtitled, however, any weaknesses in acting and dubbing, Z idealized it worse seeing it. If you miss it this time at the Lucas, try to get it when it returns.

Bill Strong

M*A*S*H is an outstanding comedy. At first take, it comes across an hilarious anti-military satire. On closer inspection, however, the satire begins to crumble.

Taking place during the Korean War, the Mobile Army Surgical Hospital is located 3 miles from the front lines. M*A*S*H personnel are seen in special once-in-a-lifetime circumstances. They are in the army yet insulated from the full rigors of its discipline. At the same time, thanks to the Army, they are freed from their everyday responsibilities, to the extent that military bureaucracy impinges on M*A*S*H.

The dialogue is rich, with besides fragments exchanges whathave skillfully done. The pacing out and close in camera shots are excellent. The richness of the incident and dialogue also extends to the characters; even the most broadly conceived characters are something more than stereotypes. (please turn to p.14, bottom third column)
CARNIVOROUS CARNIVAL*

*To Suck-off the Youth Market

Atlanta's Cosmic (Commercial Carnivorous) Carnival was a real rip-off for the few thousand who were rapped for six and seven dollars. The Carnival took place at the Atlanta Stadium: the bands were set way off in left field and the people were dots on the horizon. There was no feeling of togetherness. Period. Security guards in their snazzy downtown uniforms patrolled the infield to make sure nobody invaded the green grass because of stadium regulations that NO ONE could get on the infield. OK, so that's the rule-but why did Sadistic Sadie (Security) parade all those round headed chickens all over the field? Why wasn't the stage moved in closer to the seats? The sound was terrible. The stadium's acoustics were no good. Why even have music in a stadium that sets up all round bad vibes?

Oh yes, about those security guards: they had tee-shirts according to rank, some had tee-shirts with Sadistic Sadie on the front and some had tiedye tee-shirts (they were the upper echelon mutts). The S.M. T. trip looked like a wet military dream. I even heard some of them boast that they'd defend the field with their lives. And I saw one dude with a blade (before I split).

Then there were the tee-shirts: the staff was promised six passes, yet when we got there, we were told that our names weren't on the list (a big thank to Pure Cane Aftermath). We had run down to the ticket booths not realizing it was going to be such a total fuck-up of a rock concert. In return we were told that out of the 'kindness of their hearts' they could give us two press passes. We all got in by passing them under the fence, but only two of us were allowed on the field—but why shouldn't anyone have special privileges? Why shouldn't the people go on the arena around the infield if the infield was off-limits?

...then came the rain

The whole idea of staging a rock concert in a stadium like Atlanta's was pretty fucked up. The promoters tried to admit that each ticket holder didn't know what promotion was and didn't know how to treat people who had flipped off for the occasion. Nurses were shooting people up with horse needles. Our brothers and sisters were actually doped in the face and told it's O.K. when no one knew what they had taken. I know because a brother flipped out and I had the misfortune to witness the crowd cheering the stoned guards. I saw one dude with a blade (before I split).

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DEFENSE FUND FUND

Libertarian Party Service/Rolling Stone Washington, D.C. (LNS) — the producers of a police community relations project in Washington got themselves in the strange position of helping to finance the legal defense of sworn enemies of police. Last week, thanks to the Yuppies, the Design Center in Austin gave a slide presentation entitled "Officer Friendly" which will be shown to school children by the Municipal Police Department. The presentation they selected for the presentation is the Youngbloods' recording of "Get Together." The Youngbloods agreed to allow the use of the recording in condition that their $200 fee be paid instead to the Black Panther Legal Defense Fund.

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Carnival -- July 9

According to the Savannah Morning News, the U.S. State Department is going to shell out $40,000 to send 'Blood, Sweat, and Tears' on a cultural tour of three Soviet countries. If this is true, and it may very well not be considered fact, then the information came from the Morning News, but it is, then it comes as good news to us. Or at least not bad news. Everybody knows that no stretch of the imagination can B S & T be considered anything but a joke. In fact, it's going to be the best rock and roll band in the country. But there is still the possibility that the Government could possibly really want to send back Rotations for President Nixon? The decision, however, to send any rock group on a tour of foreign countries (especially from Soviet countries) in the name of the U.S. government, must be chalked up as a breakthrough of some sort we suppose.

When group member David Clayton-Thomas, A Canadian, was interviewed in connection with the tour he was wearing a purple shirt with a peace sign on it and was quoted by B S & T defence fund.

"I'm not wearing this of course because I believe in it. Our group doesn't stand for the things Mr. Nixon is doing. Our intent isn't to show off this administration at all. I've travelled this country, I've seen the scene and I've seen that anybody who goes to Woodstock, even the nooks and crannies, is going to make it a place where we can say 'I am for peace and anti-war values' and that we think that Woodstock is a place where anti-war values are going to be upheld. We think that Woodstock is 'peace'. But if we actually have to represent the U.S. government, we're just not going to do it--we're going to hide the thing as much as possible." Right on! Now all we can do is hope someone teaches him how to say that in Polish, Rumanian, and Yugoslavian, which probably won't. If someone hasn't already told him to shut up and stick to his pickin', in all likelihood, they soon will.

The whole thing seems a little ironic and a little sickening, though, since rock and roll, from its inception, has been by its own rebellious nature the antithesis of practically everything symbolized by the Department of the State—a bunch ofTVF old bald cats flummeling around posh offices in Washington trying to raise hard cash for the U.S. State Department is going to shell out $40,000 to send 'Blood, Sweat, and Tears' on a cultural tour of three Soviet countries. If this is true, and it may very well not be considered fact, then the information came from the Morning News, but it is, then it comes as good news to us. Or at least not bad news. Everybody knows that no stretch of the imagination can B S & T be considered anything but a joke. In fact, it's going to be the best rock and roll band in the country. But there is still the possibility that the Government could possibly really want to send back Rotations for President Nixon? The decision, however, to send any rock group on a tour of foreign countries (especially from Soviet countries) in the name of the U.S. government, must be chalked up as a breakthrough of some sort we suppose.

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An often heard criticism of Albion's Voice from whites is the emphasis on racial mailers. Why do we take up so much copy on black people? There is no reason for this. Albion's Voice is an international voice, and we should be concerned with the problems of all humanity. The Third World is the rising up of the "untouched" of the earth. The fueled dilation people have for a new world view is developing. A new humanity is springing to life, being born. Liberation is spreading throughout Asia, Africa, South America, throughout the world. Despite continuing odds, men are standing up courageously against the enemies of the Third World. We are a movement of white people, particularly the U.S. The Third World is a movement of black people to solve the oppression of white people who have foolishly and greedily taken on the role of social aggressors.

Albion X put it, "We are living in an era of revolutions, and the credo of the American Negro is part of the struggle against the oppression and exploitation which has characterized the race. Where an ultimate clash between East and West is concerned, I think that an objective analysis of events that are taking place on the earth today points toward some type of ultimate showdown.

"You can call it a political showdown, or even a showdown between the economic systems that exist on earth, which almost hold down along racial lines. I believe that there will be a clash between those who want freedom, justice, and equality, and those who want to maintain the systemic exploitation. I believe that there will be the clash of the Tenth Amendment, that I think it will be the clash of the American Revolution.

"However, I think that the European powers, which are the former colonial masters, if they are not able to realize their thinking of supremacy toward the darker-skinned people, when they have been made to think they are inferior, then they can be finally done — they can be easily hopped into racial groups and it will be a racial war." (Malcolm X, X Speaks, 232-3)

In conversation with former Vietnamese leader Ho Chi Minh, C.I.R.Scottish David Schneiders witnessed at Ho's insistence that the agrarian countryside of Vietnam could fight and defeat the might of France's modern weaponry. He declared that in the twentieth century man's hunger for freedom is greater than it has ever been. Greater than it was in the eighteenth century when Washington dared to lead patriots against the world's greatest power, Great Britain. He said that man's hunger for freedom is stronger than the weaponry of technology. And Vietnamese history is unfolding that very truth. World War II has already proven the strength of human resistance to oppression. Hitler had pressed the strongest military might in the world, but still he was defeated. In a series of letters to German friends contained in Revolution, Rebellion, and Death, Curns explained why the Third Reich would never succeed.

No matter how many French fields were dotted with German factories and occupying troops, Curns knew the resistance would continue. The reason he gave simply stated that Hitler's dream for domination was an evil, negative force built on destruction which would never come to life. That's really what's happening in Vietnam today. Albion will not bend bare knees and truckle to American military and economic might regardless of odds, even if genocide. Vietnamese women and children fight the people all out against standing against a fascist dictatorship backed to the limit by imperialism. U.S. Nixon is pressing ceaselessly toward the apocalyptic threshold of Biblical and apocalyptic writing. China has warned against American aggression in Asia, yet U.S. troops continue to advance into peripheral S.E. Asian countries of Cambodia, Thailand, and Laos. Both countries bring more devastating destruction than the people would have expected against just as war has no boundaries. What Mark Twain said about a century ago now has very new meaning. "It's a half of a century to say that man's strength will make him right."

"In U.S. involvement in the Philippines, but now are we not truly realizing what Twain's insight means?"

The crow wished everything
Was Black, the soul that everything was white.
"PROPERTY RIGHTS AND HUMAN RIGHTS ARE INSEPARABLE..."

White man gave Indian fire water and stole the land. Indian gave white man the deed of wisdom. So one day he said, "The land belongs to no one for it is so immense that it dispossesses men. It dispossesses them. It dispossesses them."

"And the only safe place to live is on an Indian reservation..."

GENOCIDE: 1492 - 1970

"Invisibility breaks us to pieces... Simply suffering... That is what will be needed - not parries or blows or thrusts. The real struggle which perhaps lies ahead consist only in suffering. It is not only to stand up the victim beneath the wheel, but also to strike in that wheel."

(Motiv added from Dietrich Bonhoeffer.)

June 25, 1876: THE VICTORY OF THE SIOUX LIBERATION FRONT OVER THE IMPERIALIST U.S. ARMY LED BY GEN. GEORGE CUSTER.

Gen. Custer died for your sins.
The white majority created the black community as a geographical fact in the American society. Black leadership has made the black community a vital force in the American society. We and the black community are particularly indebted to those leaders who strive to arouse in us an awareness that there is as much pride in being black -- in this country or anywhere -- as there is in being white. And perhaps more.

Certainly, the black community must and can take immense pride from the strength and persistence of its growing fight against the inequities of black life in America. We must note, with pride that our fighting mood has changed. First, we tried "friendly persuasion." Now we are increasingly strongly militant in the face of the insidious and profound inability of the majority government to act on the large scale required to solve problems in society.

This escalation of militancy in the face of inaction has brought new power to the black community -- new strength and new potential for unity. So the time has come again to note that unity is power, but power does not bring unity unless leadership handles it properly. New organizations are growing, and a social movement is swelling, feeding and fanning by our increasing power. A new alignment of community responsibilities is emerging: additions to the ranks of our spokesmen are occurring; followers are sorting our leaders with greater frequency than before; new philosophies and concepts are being exhausted. In the process we face the danger that power will begin to split us and we will be weakened by struggles for power within our own community.

It is because of this danger that now, more than ever, we must understand what we will do with our militant energies. We must examine our goals, and redefine them as necessary -- for unity has as much to do with goals as it does with physical and emotional likeness. We must analyze political shifts and realities in order to set accurately our priorities and strategies for action. We must do this as a community, and for unity's sake we must establish a platform of plans and purpose broad and flexible enough for all to catch hold. And to do these things we must understand what the word "we" means when we use it.

The black community is increasingly a militant community seeking to express its growing black power. But it is a very pluralistic and heterogeneous complex of human beings. Militancy may be one common denominator in our community; yet intelligence, independence, and difference are others just as important. There is not one single black leader, force, or organization that broadcasts the one and only definite meaning of "black power," or the one and only plan for militant energies. Within the black community among the 22,000,000 independent black men and women and children of the U.S. Just so, the black community is not identical to nor fully represented by any given movement, community organization, leader, or group. The black community is all these and more. The black community is greater than all of its individualistic members, and it is proud of the accomplishments each person and group has contributed to the growth of our black power and solidarity.

The black community always has and always will strive to present a solid front to the opposition which we see growing ever stronger in the white community. However, while we express our loyalty to the other side, our leaders must never make the mistake of believing that we are all of one mind and of one purpose, yes, but what we are protecting is our right to set our own course. We strive to prevent white opposition from splitting us into warring camps so that we can have cooperating camps among ourselves. We are alive only in the desire to determine our own destinies and the fate of our own community. Our leaders should not believe that we must all be of one mind, must all support one position, must all accept one philosophy, must all accept our militancy by one set of rules. It is the white man, not the black man, who says that "we" are all the same.

Union, and the Strength it brings, demands free and open discussion, intelligent debate, precise criticism, and the voluntary cooperation of individuals and organizations and their resources. Unity for the black community lies in a broad social movement -- a movement with a place for all types and brands of black groups and individuals. Diversity and weakness come quickly from any effort to coerce our variety into a single mold to dictate viewpoints and plans to our heterogeneous community.

More than ever before, and increasingly in the future, unity is what we must have. The black community has long borne the burden of the fight for freedom in America and in the American society. This fight must go on: the war against economic and political slavery must be won. Victory demands the strongest possible unity within the black community. We cannot afford leadership action which threaten that unity.

We have been disturbed and troubled by some recent trends which are developing in parts of the black community's social movement -- trends toward authoritarianism; toward the suppression of dissent; toward the threat of violence and retaliation against critics; toward the use of insult and humiliation to enforce community conformity of viewpoint; and toward the foreclosure of free speech and free expression within our own ranks. It is wrong and absurd to claim a position of leadership within the black community while simultaneously excoriating those who think differently. It is wrong for militant radicals to attack and attempt to exclude dissidents and conservatives from our movement with urgings to "kill them," or with the use of humiliation. It is equally wrong for dissidents and conservatives to attempt to attack and exclude the militant radicals by denouncing them as criminals and agitators, or by militant the government as an ally in hounding them. No one leader or group -- conservative or radical -- has a patent on "thinking black" or thinking right.

The mass of people that make up a community shifts and surge, but seldom if ever moves swiftly or surely in one direction. It is the radical thinkers, and the militant leaders, who discover the new directions in which a people will follow. We welcome leaders with radical, militant concepts which respect all other parts of that movement even while trying to change them. It is the responsibility of our leadership to keep us marching forward toward the same goals. But it is also the responsibility of our leaders to let us march to the separate cadences our individuals and groups may choose. Leaders do otherwise are ignorant of the process of community determinality to the community and its efforts for social change. Leaders who do otherwise divide us and weaken us.

We reject as ignorant and wasteful those conservatives who challenge us to "rock the boat," which would have us wait on our knees until the majority "accepts us," until the government finds the solutions to our problems and invites us in; which would have us reject "black power" and "black pride" because these concepts seem to offend the majority.

But we look on these lines of thought which we reject as "legitimate" in the sense that both sorts, old conservatives and new reaction, are propounded by black people within the black social movement. We will reject our rejection of these ideas, and discuss our own conceptions freely with all comers. And we will find ways to live with those whom we cannot persuade to our point of view, and expect that they will do the same with regard to us.

We feel that these -- and other -- negatively divergent lines of thought will fade in importance as community solidarity grows. We feel that "black power" is in movement strength, bringing strength to the black community. We would not like to see this strength used to whip those who dissent, nor split our community into a multitude of "right-thinking" but powerless splinters. We want to see unity among all leadership elements in the black community, and in particular, to see a working coalition between organization in their variety, and the black power movement in its variety.

Let all black leaders heed this call: let us cut out the bias, the irrelevant, the weakening elements in black thought black action, black leadership. Let US, all of us, the black community do the separating in free debate and open discussion, in our own council, let us truly unite in democratic fashion to select ways in which we will channel our militant and our energies, and let us go forward as one --made of many--toward our goals.

Otis S. Johnson
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We hid the papers in the parking lot and went back to look for them only to be met at the front door by the pig and some redneck in a blue shirt with a little tag saying MAINTAINENCE. They both looked at us and told us in (Harmony?) to leave, or we’d be arrested. Then all at once we responded with, “Let me see the manager!” We were then informed that the manager was a deputy-sheriff and would arrest us on the spot. Seeing that evil had triumphed over fair-play, we had to face the fact that we weren’t going to get into the Mall. So, the group sadly re-treated to the car. We had gained two more members by this time Dale Edwards and Joe Maglini, accu-sed of loitering.

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The War In Indochina

Good old Tricky Dickey has scored again! His re-
cation of the war has caused wide spread protest both in
here and abroad. Here at home over 360 of the nation's colleges are on
strike. Many universities are closed for the year.

High schools across the nation are helping convosca
tions and more than 250 State Department officials have de-
manded an explanation. Nixon's National Youth Di-
ector, Anthony J. Moffett, quit. Thirty Army Sen-
ators have opened a nation-wide drive for support for
an amendment cutting off funds for United States military operations in Cambodia, Laos, and Vietnam.

In Vietnam a few hundred anti-American Viet-
namese have shot and wounded an American G.I.

As always G.I.'s have been caught in the cross-
fire between military escalation and predictable re-
nuences.

Sixteen G.I.'s of ACO 3rd B 22nd INF of the
25th Division refused to leave rear to go to Cambod-
ia. Later another sixteen agreed to return to command
base in Vietnam on the understanding they would
to the front line.

In creating the Indo-China War, Nixon has ig-
nored Congress and even members of his cabinet. He
announces his decision to invade Cambodia to the American people days after it has begun. The United States
is bound by international law to notify the
National Security Council of any movement of troops into foreign states. Nixon notified the U.N.
long after the invasion was underway.

Yes, Tricky Dickey really blew it this time, and
now the government is weakly asking for pro-war
support as the nation is reaping apart at the seams.

Dusty Goodge

Clean-Cut Freaks?!

Recently, when the munitions frightener, Columbia
Eagle was hijacked, there was a conflict of information
concerning the type of people who did it. UPI reported
that it was done by two 'pot smoking, pill-popping hip-
pies'. However, AP reported it was done by two 'alcohol, drug-
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true of the hijackers: if some-

The Establishment press, which has had such
publishing such hip expressions as 'Do your own thing', and Tell
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Breath

The most basic question facing us today is whether or not our planet will continue to support life. We have created institutions that are literally destroying our world. It is up to us to stop the creation of these institutions and to correct or destroy the ones already in operation. Perhaps the biggest thief of land, air, minds, and lives is the car. Each year over 50,000 Americans lose their lives in automobiles. By the end of the year, the long run route of the entire nation may be lost because of this monster on wheels.

The following article is excerpted from the Hidden Dimension by Edward T. Hall.

Automobiles insulate man not only from the environment but from human contact as well. They permit only a limited types of interaction, usually competitive, aggressive and destructive. If people are to be brought together again, given a chance to get acquainted with each other, and involved in some fundamental solutions must be found to the problem posed by the automobile. These hidden social costs, which people aren’t aware of or prefer to ignore, must be realized.

All forms of power production requiring the burning of fossil fuels create “air pollution.” Sixty percent of all pollutants added to the air in the U.S. come from the internal combustion engine. There are seven major types of air pollution:

1. Leaf (fuels from leaded gasoline used in autos), hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide and dioxide, sulfur oxide, particulates, and nitrogen oxides. Hydrocarbons and nitrogen oxides (deadly poisons), reacting chemically with atmospheric oxygen in sunlight, are the major constituents of smog. The automobile produces more lead, hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide, and nitrogen oxides per passenger mile than does the helicopter, Boving 707, bus, train, motorcycle, or steam car. I need not comment on the air pollution caused by bicycles and walking.

Although few specific diseases have been attributed to air pollution, there is no doubt that continual breathing of polluted air is injurious to health. By order of the Los Angeles Board of Education, the school children of L.A. are not allowed to “run, skip, or jump” inside or outside on smoggy days. In keeping with our present practice of labelling cigarette packages, all cars should have written on their dashboards and above their exhaust pipes: “Caution: air-pollution produced by this vehicle is damaging to your health and may result in premature death from lung cancer, cardiovascular disease, emphysema, or other causes.”

Each mode of transportation uses a smaller or larger part of the earth’s limited surface.

Auto: One crowded highway lane (12 feet wide) carries an average of 3,600 passengers per hour at 65 m.p.h., 140 feet spacing between cars.

Trains: Half-filled trains (one per minute) can transport 42,000 passengers per hour — 12 times the car.

Buses: Half-filled buses, on the same lane and under the same conditions as an auto can carry 60,000 people per hour — 17 times as many as the car.

Bicycle: A highway lane can comfortably hold two bicycle lanes, allowing 10,000 people per hour at 15 m.p.h., 10 feet spacing.

In Berkeley, each citizen has 28.1 square feet of land by operating our own private motor vehicle. Usurious use of the automobile has made possible the extensive suburban sprawl so typical of today’s landscape escape. The private suburb and the private automobile are locked in an embrace which perpetuates a life style destructive to most of humanity.

Ubiquitous use of the automobile has made it possible for the existing suburban sprawl so typical of today’s landscape escape. The private suburb and the private automobile are locked in an embrace which perpetuates a life style destructive to most of humanity.

Each year, almost one million broken down autos are abandoned along roadways, in fields, and on city streets. The auto corporations continue to produce “new and better” monsters each year which will, they advertise, raise your status, make you more masculine, and raise their profits. The hulks could be recycled. Recently, a Salvage Company proposed to do just that. Evidently, recycling has become profitable. Iron ore is becoming increasingly hard to find and the poorer ore is more costly to process.

Another dwindling resource is petroleum. Private automobiles use almost one-half the crude petroleum production in the U.S. Supplying this vast amount of fuel, 80 billion gallon yearly, takes equipment of gigantic proportions and entails great risk. We now are all familiar with the fantastic ecological damage caused by petroleum accidents. When an oil spill occurs, it is like a living fire, the spilled oil burning over a tremendous area and poisoning all life forms within.

Another hidden social cost is the exploitation of the world’s resources to sustain our luxurious and wasteful culture. The U.S. has approximately 5% of the world’s resources. Every-increasing consumption is necessary for our corporate capitalist economy. Increased profits obviously accrue from the private motor car method of transportation. People must realize that a profit-expansion motivated culture can never be ecologically conscious. Capitalism is an ever expanding economic system. Infinite expansion within a closed resources system (earth) only leads to eventual destruction. Or as Marx put it, “Capitalism has within it the seeds of its own destruction.”

Although socialism is not inherently interested in ecology, as evidenced by Russia, only within a socialist framework can there lie a possibility for a sane and ecologically necessary society. Meeting the needs of the people must be top priority, not the priority of profit.

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