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A.S. Stipends Or Diverse Media?

Alternative Media Up For Loaded Referendum Vote

The Associated Students Council voted on April 4th to place a referendum question on the ballot that seeks to seriously cut the budget allocated to UCSD's alternative media. The proposal, submitted by AS Commissioner of Communications, Tim Pickwell and AS President, Craig Lee, seeks to arbitrarily limit funding for the alternative media to \$20,000. The media affected by this proposal include *The Birdcage Review*, *L'Chayim*, *Sappho Speaks*, *Politijournal*, *Voz Fronteriza*, *new indicator*, *People's Voice* and *The Koala*. Voting on the issue takes place April 18th & 19th.

In a move that caught many members of the alternative media off guard, Pickwell and Lee bypassed the usual practice that sees all legislation going to either Rules of Finance Committee for a recommendation. Instead, their bill went directly to the Council for an immediate vote thereby sidestepping any substantive discussion in committee as well as avoiding any possible opposition by members of the alternative media. Similarly, a resolution authored by Craig Lee calling for a referendum on the Committee For World Democracy's (CWD) political film series budget found its way on the AS agenda for Council approval, this proposal however was handily defeated.

Several representatives from the various alternative media attended the AS Council meeting to dissuade the Council from its intended actions, however only one representative was given the floor. Ignoring pleas to postpone the vote, or refer the matter to Rules Committee, Tim Pickwell and his cohorts, sensing a quick victory, forced an immediate vote and the AS Council passed the resolution by a vote 8 in favor, 2 opposed and 6 abstaining. The unusually high number of abstentions indicates a level of uncertainty among AS members on the proposal itself and the method in which it arrived for a vote.

The referendum in part reads: "Do you wish to limit the maximum amount of funding received this year by the Associated Student's Alternative Print Media to \$20,000? Yes, limit funding to \$20,000; No, do not place a limit on funding. The cleverly written question seeks to imply that a NO vote represents a blank check for the alternative media. But as the informational pamphlet distributed by some members of the alternative media indicates "the truth is, each publication has a very limited budget under the scrutiny of an AS Committee and every expenditure must be justified..."

The pamphlet goes on to state one of the underlying reasons for the frat-dominated AS Council raiding the alternative media budget: to generate enough money to pay for their recently approved proposal to pay stipends to incoming AS officers. Using the old argument of "fiscal fairness" Tim Pickwell and his supporters are making one last attempt to stifle progressive and critical journalism that this campus needs—a brand of journalism that

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Over one hundred students attended a rally against racist violence on Thursday April, 12 on the UCSD Gym steps. The event was co-sponsored by Asian Pacific Student Alliance, Black Student Union and MECHA. The rally was called to protest the racist violence on campus and across the nation.

AS Elections: A Look At Some Candidates

AS elections take place this Wednesday and Thursday. Those elected will control close to \$275,000 of student monies and determine funding for student organizations, and other AS sponsored programs.

Also on the ballot this year will be referendum questions including an amendment to the AS constitution, a proposal to limit funding for alternative media, a question regarding assignment of on-campus housing, and a question seeking proficiency in a computer language requirement for graduation.

One significant aspect of this year's election is the conspicuous lack of public debate or exposure on any of the referendum questions. This means that most students will see these important questions for the first time inside the voting booth. The blame for this does not lie with the students for their "apathy" but rather on the AS Council who, this year under President Craig Lee, have done good a job in misinforming and keeping information from the general student body. They have failed to inform students or bring issues to the fore front for discussion

despite their usual prattle to "keep in touch with students." Looking back on this past year, the trend in fact shows a contempt for student opinion and input on the part of the AS Council. Early in March, the Council unanimously voted the concept of stipends to next year's Council, knowing full well that over 80% of the students last year voted against the idea. Then more recently the Council passed several referendums, including the proposal to cut alternative media, with little or no debate and without permitting the groups involved to make arguments against it. And on those few occasions when debate does develop, it last no more than a few seconds before chaos and pandemonium breaks out. Likewise an amendment to the AS constitution went on the ballot with little meaningful discussion. The question itself simply refers to the amendment as "Article I, Section C, subscript e" without actually stating it. With no background or other information it is understandable why students have trouble making informed decisions. Moreover, the carefree attitude of our

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San Diego Rohr Industries Mfg's. Cancer in Humans

The good times in Chula Vista stop at the gates of Rohr Industries, Inc. Inside, workers are becoming aware that conditions are unsafe. While stock holders' earnings rose by over 100% between 1972 and 1982, and while Rohr's value rose on the prestigious *Fortune 500* index from 452th place to 420th place in 1982, with a total sales of over half a billion dollars, the families of workers were burying their dead by the dozens. Over 70 workers in the Chula Vista plant have died of cancer in the past 20 years.

In 1982, the 8,000 employees at Rohr Industries generated a total value of \$565,880,000. On the average, each worker produced \$70,735 in value. Today, there are about 5,000 workers in

the Chula Vista plant, and around half of them belong to the International Association of Machinists. The capitalist exploitation of labor at Rohr lies half buried in a fog of differing pay scales ranging from the 16th grade, at \$6.48 an hour, to 1st grade, at \$14.47. Under the new contract, the lowest paid workers received cuts by \$1.82 an hour while the highest paid were given raises of 45¢ an hour. Such "divide and conquer" tactics by the Company are obvious to every class conscious worker.

Class struggle at Rohr Industries has taken a grim turn, and the widows of workers were the first to notice the alarming pattern of death in the Chula Vista plant. A rare type of cancer which

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The Role Of Alternative Media

Communicating With The Outside

Any conscious person is aware that there are many different linguistic terrains in San Diego County. People speak of different things and in different ways depending on where they are. At Joe's filling station the linguistic range is substantially different from what you hear around the Student Center at UCSD, and a La Jolla dress shop discourse is different in style and content from a collective discussion at the UCSD Women's Center.

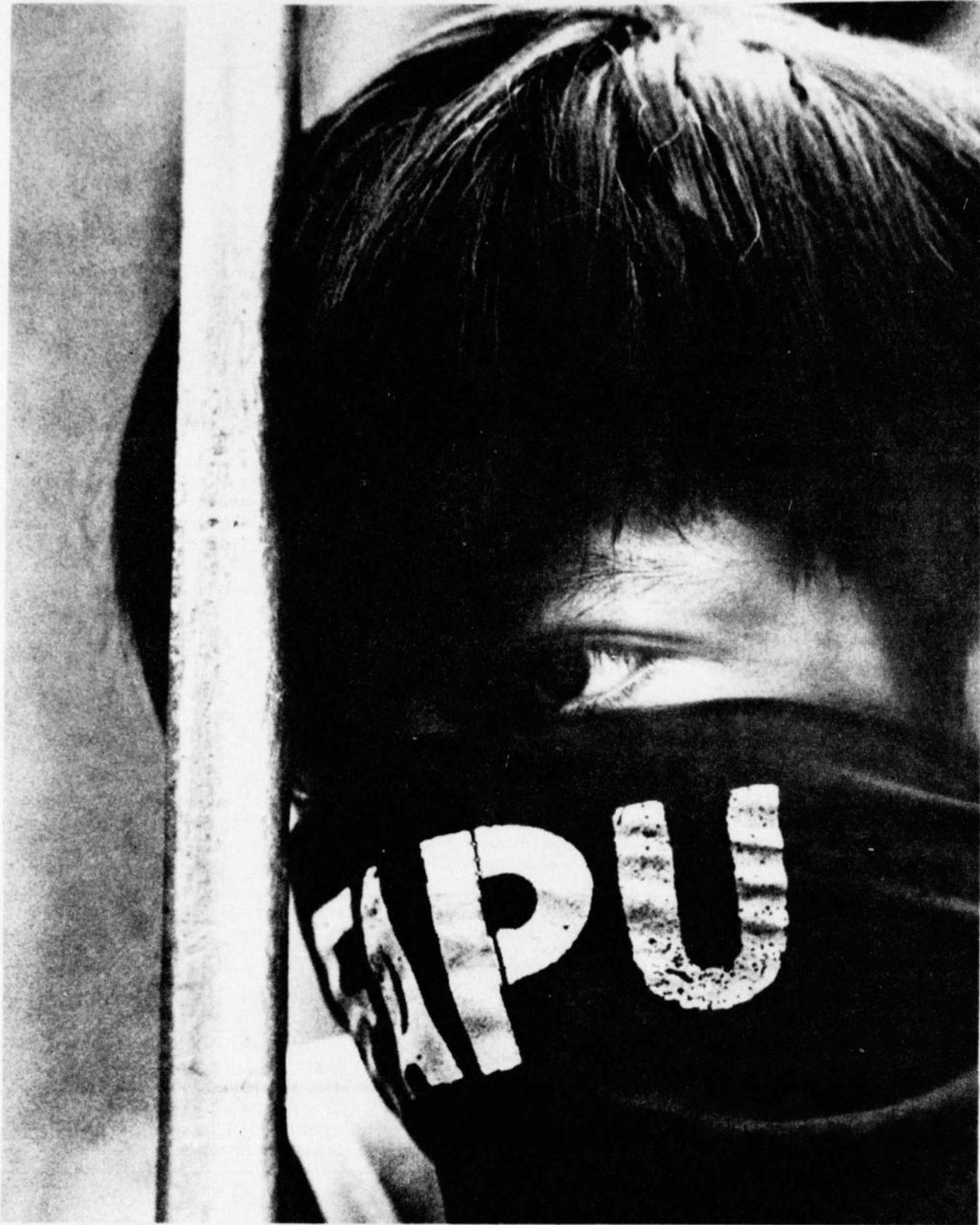
When student's leave the UCSD campus in search of jobs, the linguistic changes in their behavior will be very noticeable. One of the jobs of the media is to facilitate communication. Alternative media, work at both ends of this endeavor. While 9/10 of the *new indicator's* circulation is on campus, 1/10 is circulated in the community. Through this contact with the "out side", we show the community that the students are concerned with larger social issues, and at the same time prepare county residents for a new generation of University graduates with a wide diversity of views. Non-sectarian publications such as the *new indicator* help to legitimize the University to the wider community: not by replacing old dogma with new, but by insisting on a new and wider range of linguistic freedom.

The only way we can master the different linguistic fields is by plunging in and immersing ourselves in the experience. Many people are doing this today in San Diego with the hope of expanding the limits of dialogue in a particular area and raising the consciousness of people trapped in a ghetto of mental architecture inhabited by the guardians of the status quo.

Not long ago, French activists sought to "liberate" the linguistic domain of Le Santé, a prison located in the center of Paris. Guerrilla theater was put on across the street from the prison building so that it could be seen by prisoners from their cell windows. Repeatedly, actors would run across the street delivering lines within ear-shot of the prisoners. The objective was to introduce new terms and concepts into this penal institution.

Today, in San Diego, we find that linguistic domains are shrinking. This ghettoization of language is accompanied by fiercely guarded borders where new expressions and unfamiliar concepts are repeatedly turned away. A recent example of this "protection policy" by a self-appointed guardian of the status quo occurred in the town of Encinitas at the American Quik Print Shop. The owner, Mr. Barry Sklar, refused to print 2,000 bulletins for the UCSD Groundwork Bookstore because of phrases in the bulletins such as "Capitalism is Organized Crime." Mr. Sklar told the *new indicator* that he has been in business for five years and does around 30 jobs a day. This is the second

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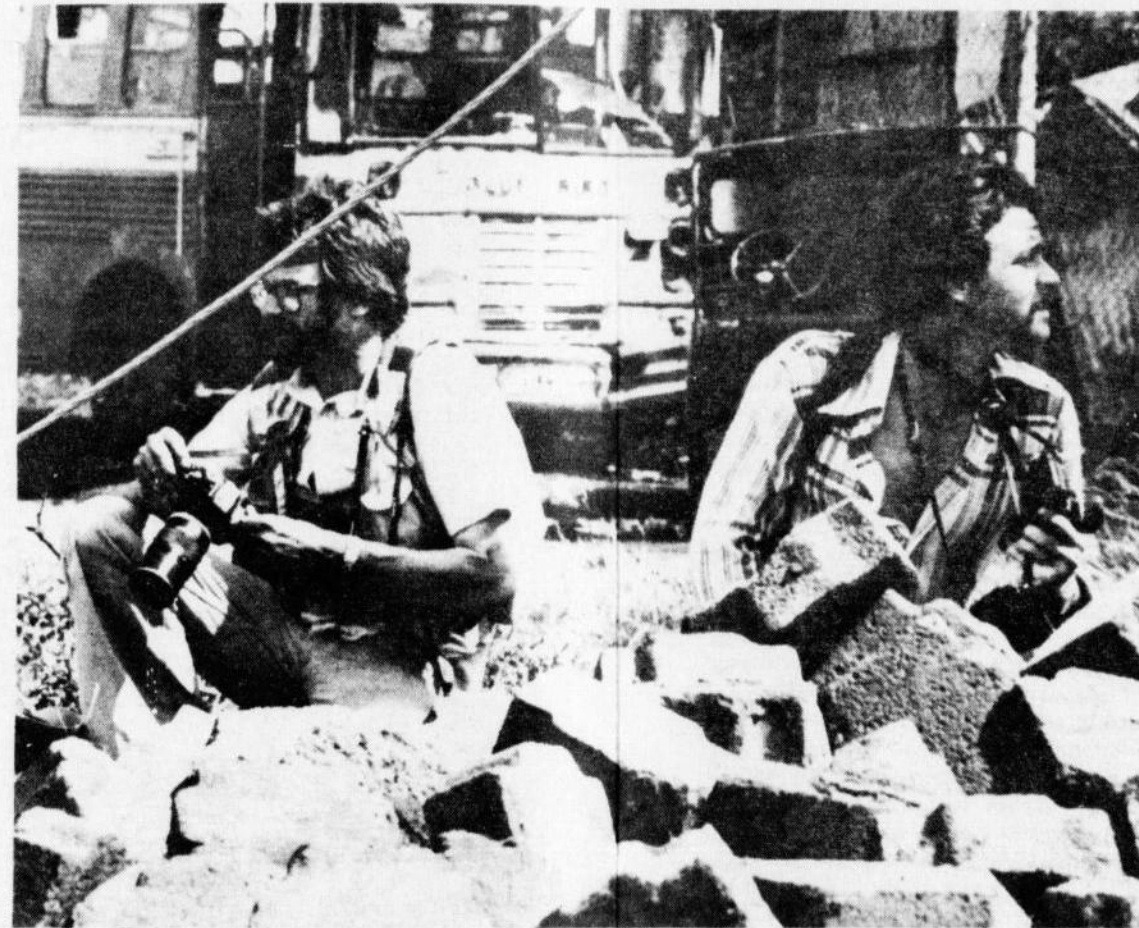
Young Guerrillero.

¡Venceremos!

John Hoagland On Central America

John Hoagland, San Diegan photojournalist and former UCSD student, was killed by a U.S.-supplied weapon while covering the revolution in El Salvador one month ago. He is but one of tens of thousands of victims of the U.S. government's brutal military campaign to maintain its control over Central America at any cost. A campaign not supported by the majority of the U.S. people, but funded by tax dollars over which we have little control.

John Hoagland felt at home with the peoples of Central America. And in the spirit of their struggle for a life free from poverty, hunger, torture and oppression we present reproductions of some of John Hoagland's work. ¡Venceremos!



John Hoagland, right. Person on the left, unknown. Photographer unknown.



Guerrillera. Nicaragua, prior to 1979.



Guerrillero comforts person mourning loss of a loved one. El Salvador.



Guerrillero. Nicaragua, prior to 1979.



This is the only photo in our collection with a title. Hoagland called it "Muchacho." Nicaragua, prior to 1979.

Kulture

Let me alone! Life has now struck me in all my death.

Sergei Yessnin in a verse letter: I live in thick smoke. And the shattering blast of things That torture me because I do not understand.

for veins to be cut. "Encore!" imitators coo in delight. Over you almost a squad committed base jinks.

Our planet is poorly equipped for delight. One must snatch gladness from the days that are. In this life it's not difficult to die.

continued from page 1 AS Elections... "representatives" has made students increasingly disenfranchised with the AS. And this year's Council has exacerbated that situation.

AS Elections...

address real issues of substance. In this year's election such a slate is Students Progressing towards Unity through Diversity (S.P.U.D.). On the other hand candidates and/or slates resorting to campaigns based simply on name-recognition, who campaign on throwing more parties and use "fiscal fairness" as a guise to attack groups doing important work, who refuse to address the crucial issues facing students, do not merit your support.

A Look at the Candidates AS presidential candidates Adrienne Pilon and Mark Boroditsky responded to new indicator questions recently. The other AS presidential hopefuls, Dan Lubeck, Jay Richards, David Tollner and George Voloshin, were not reached in time by our staff to allow prepared responses, for which we apologize.

From Pilon's and Boroditsky's answers emerge two contrasting characters. Pilon, the S.P.U.D. candidate, appears to be consistent, cohesive and concerned with a variety of student issues. On the other hand, Boroditsky, of the AS Express slate, has narrowly defined, self-serving and frequently contradictory positions on issues.

n.i.: What do you see as the role of the AS at UCSD in respect to social issues? How do you see yourself fitting into that role?

Pilon: First there is the obligation for dissemination of information: providing accessible, comprehensive and reliable sources of news about subjects such as changes and proposals in affirmative action, corporate boycotts in effect at other campuses, what the UC Regents are up to, new rulings on sexual harassment, etc.

My own role would include doing more public speaking, improving office hours, and utilizing the AS Bulletin in the Guardian and the alternative media. Communication is the key to effective government.

n.i.: You have learned that the UC Regents have increased fees. What steps, if any, would you take to respond to that?

Pilon: Again, the first step is to inform the students of this action, and perhaps call a special open session of the AS for discussion of this problem exclusively. After this, perhaps organizing a visible and cohesive protest combining individuals and organizations from UCSD and all other UC campuses. In order to do this, we must form a union, as it were, and become a political force in order to preserve and further our rights.

n.i.: Are you in favor of stipends for AS officers, and why, or why not?

Pilon: No. It is ridiculous for the AS, which is talking about cutting the alternative media and the CWD film series budgets in half, in the name of fiscal responsibility, to discuss awarding itself stipends.

n.i.: The federal government has announced that non-registrants will be ineligible for financial aid. How would you respond to that, and why?

Pilon: Again, we should respond with the appropriate dissemination of informative and organized student protest. What it comes down to is the denial of education on the basis of political/moral philosophy and gender; and that seems strangely out of place in a "democratic" society.

n.i.: What is your position on the referendum question to limit funding for alternative media?

I am strongly opposed to the referendum for several reasons. It is an arbitrary measure and does not state where the excess funds will go. The alternative media is a valuable source of information and opinion on this campus, and as I have stated before, informing students is high on my list of priorities. The AS has been notoriously noncommunicative with the members of the alternative media over issues such as these. Instead of creating an atmosphere in which budgetary problems and other concerns can be worked out through dialogue and mutual compromise, an atmosphere of distrust and conflict has been perpetuated. In order to effectively

govern, communication and trust must improve.

Boroditsky's outstanding trait is his self-contradiction. This seems to be a natural consequence of his primary concern: self service. For example, in response to the question on the alternative media budgets Boroditsky says, "I abstained on this issue in AS. Since I wasn't privy to all the sides to such a complicated issue I felt it was wrong to vote uninformed." After admitting his lack of knowledge on the issue he then turns around and ignorantly claims, "A lot of this is waste and inefficiency."

Another contradiction is more obviously self serving. He stated, "I support the referendum question concerning (cutting) the alternative media budget. Because it allows the students an opportunity to voice their opinions and decide the fate of their funds." Yet when the students voiced their opinion on the fate of their funds in a referendum last year that overwhelmingly opposed paying stipends to AS officers, Boroditsky chose to ignore them. "I support stipends for AS officers." Of course he does; as a returning AS officer, Boroditsky would stand to personally gain by opposing the voice of the students. It's obvious that his stance on the alternative media budget is colored by what he personally stands to gain, since the funds taken from the alternative media would be used to pay his salary.

Similarly, when questioned about social issues Boroditsky declares, "As far as being 'socially cognizant' the AS council itself does not have the power, ability or responsibility of dictating the students' political views." As a white male he has no tolerance for issues such as affirmative action because they do not benefit him. However, when he personally is threatened by issues such as the draft, all of a sudden the AS has the ability and an obligation to act (to save his hide). "I will take an active role to assure that dealing with the Solomon Amendment is one of the Student Body Presidents Council's primary concerns. I will also insure that Fred Gains, our student regent, is aware of my views on this issue. SBPC and the student regent, in coordination with the UC Lobby are the most powerful tools available to the students at the governmental level."

On other issues, Boroditsky would like to see an increase in the number of students active in AS projects under his leadership. He proposes a "student involvement week" and an AS orientation for freshmen towards that end. He would also like to see heavier promotion of the AS and its programs. He is a staunch proponent of the administration's proposed "University Center," especially from his perspective as manager of Assorted Vinyl (an AS cop). Still, these positions, like his others, tend to be limited to sphere's of personal concern and self benefit.

government. Further, the youth of the country is appealed to in glaring posters to join the army and the navy. "A fine chance to see the world!" cries the governmental huckster. Thus innocent young boys are morally shanghaied into patriotism, and the military Moloch strides conquering through the Nation.

What we need is a propaganda of education for the soldier: anti-patriotic literature that will enlighten him as to the real horrors of his trade, and that will awaken his consciousness to his true relation to the man to whose labor he owes his very existence. When we have undermined the patriotic lie, we shall have cleared the path for that great structure wherein all nationalities shall be united into a universal brotherhood.—a truly FREE SOCIETY.



Олег Баян — самородок из домовладельцев

"Selected Blasphemy" appears as an irregular column in the new indicator. Readers are asked to submit their favorite diatribe for publication. Each article must be no longer than 800 words. Send submissions to the New Indicator Collective, UCSD B-023, La Jolla CA 92093.



Selected Blasphemy

PATRIOTISM: A Menace To Liberty

Emma Goldman was born in Russia in 1869 and immigrated to the United States when she was seventeen. By the time she was deported in 1919 she had made a name for herself as the "Most Dangerous Woman in the World." A staunch anarchist she fought for causes ranging from free speech to women's emancipation. In the selection below she discusses the arms race of her time and connects patriotism with militarism.

Patriotism is a superstition artificially created and maintained through a network of lies and falsehoods; a superstition that robs man of his self-respect and dignity, and increases his arrogance and conceit.

When the child has reached manhood, he is thoroughly saturated with the belief that he is chosen by the Lord himself to defend his country against the attack or invasion of any foreigner. It is for that purpose that we are clamoring for a greater army and navy, more battleships and ammunition. It is for that purpose that America has within a short time spent four hundred million dollars. Just think of it — four hundred million dollars taken from the produce of the people...

We Americans claim to be a peace-loving people. We hate bloodshed; we are opposed to violence. Yet we go into spasms of joy over the possibility of projecting dynamite bombs from flying machines upon helpless citizens. We are ready to hang, electrocute, or lynch anyone, who, from economic necessity, will risk his own life in the attempt upon that of some industrial magnate. Yet our hearts swell with pride at the thought that America is becoming the most powerful nation on earth, and that it will eventually plant her iron foot on the necks of all other nations.

Such is the logic of patriotism...

The spirit of militarism has already permeated all walks of life. Indeed, I am convinced that militarism is growing a greater danger here than anywhere else, because of the many bribes capitalism holds out to those whom it wishes to destroy.

The beginning has already been made in the schools. Evidently the government holds to the Jesuitical conception, "Give me the child's mind, and I will mold the man." Children are trained in military tactics, the glory of military achievements extolled in the curriculum, and the youthful minds perverted to suit the

Long Stories In Short

Death Insurance?

Senator John Glen told members of the National Press Club that he voted for new chemical weapons because they are safer than the old ones: "This was just a life-insurance vote."

theProgressive

Rape? All In A Day's Work!

The U.S. Army is refusing to pay damages to a woman who was raped by two fellow soldiers on an Army base 14 months ago, on the grounds that the assault was just one of the risks of serving in the military. Betty Ann Buckmiller says, however, that she will sue if necessary to win the damages. Adds Buckmiller: "There's no job I've heard of where rape is incidental to any type of working condition."

Big Mama Rag

Must Have Been Some Thing They Ate

FOUR friends were laughing and raising their voices over a meal in a restaurant when they were told by a man at a next-door table: "Just because I'm off duty, don't think I can't still nick you."

Some moments later, six uniformed police swarmed into the restaurant, arrested all four men and took them to the police station at Holloway North London.

One of the men, Barry Carliell, left the station soon afterwards covered with blood. His right eye was hanging out of its socket. The eye was later removed at Moorfields Eye Hospital.

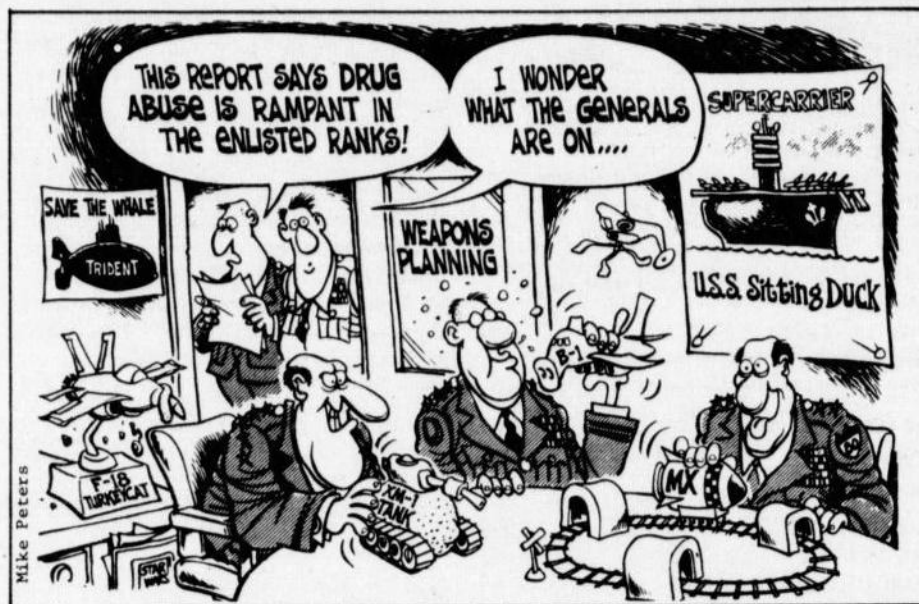
His three companions, Peter Lee, William Peter Lee, William Merle and Leonard Maloney, who is a teetotaler, were banged up in the cells. They were charged with being drunk and disorderly, bailed and released.

They appeared at Highbury Magistrates Court on Thursday, June 2. The prosecution offered no evidence. The clerk of the court asked the magistrates to "bind these people over to keep the peace".

The magistrates refused. The three men left the court without a stain on their character.

Police constable Brian Renton has been suspended on full pay, and is out on bail pending a charge of grievous bodily harm on Mr. Barry Carliell.

—Daily Mirror-reprinted from the Southern Libertarian Messenger



The Risk In Eating "Safe"

A bill due before Congress would soon weaken key provisions of the current food safety laws. S.1938, the so-called Food Safety Modernization Act of 1983, would add new means by which potentially harmful substances would enter and remain in our nation's food supply. For all its "modernization," not a single provision of this bill, introduced by Senator Orrin B. Hatch (R-UT), would add to the protection of the public health.

Besides changing the definition of "safe" in the existing law to allow additives which have a "negligible" risk of harm to the population (with no definition within the bill of what constitutes a "negligible" risk), the bill also allows for a phase out period of dangerous additives on the market of up to ten years to minimize economic harm to manufacturers, and exempts a variety of additives, such as those which migrate into food from packaging. Concerned readers are urged to take action against this thinly-veiled weakening of our current food additive laws.

—information from the Center for Science in the Public Interest reprinted from Science for the People

Benefits Of Apartheid— If You're White!

The apartheid regime of South Africa will go ahead with the forced removal of about 300 black families from their homes. The Mogopa Village and plots have been owned for the past 70 years by these families. Now the laws of apartheid have designated this area to be white zone.

The people of this village will be moved to an area some 65 miles away. Schools and other facilities in Mogopa have already been demolished. An estimated 3.5 million Blacks have been relocated against their will since the early 60's.

Big Mama Rag

Flag Them Down

In 1971 six black police officers from Columbus, Georgia, removed the American flag emblem from their uniforms to protest discriminatory hiring and promotion of blacks, police brutality toward black citizens of Columbus, and other outrages. When complaints to their superiors were unproductive, the officers picketed police headquarters. Finally they were discharged for removing their flag emblems. In May, 1983, the officers won the suit they brought against Columbus. The case is now in district court to determine remedies. The officers were complimented by the court of appeals for their respect for the flag and the ideals it represented.

—Civil Liberties, reprinted from Post Amerikan

CIA Opium Trade?

The admission is late in coming. The US Drug Enforcement Agency is finally acknowledging that the Afghan rebels are financing their war in part with proceeds from the sale of opium. Some of this opium later reaches the United States in the form of heroin. According to David Melocik, the Drug Enforcement Agency congressional liaison, "250 to 300 tons of opium were produced in Afghanistan in 1982," enough to convert into 25 to 30 tons of heroin. The Drug Enforcement Agency estimates that four to 4½ tons of heroin are smuggled into the US annually. In a rare moment of candor for an administration official, Melocik even concluded that "American interests in Afghanistan are somewhat contradictory because the administration wants to fight drug trafficking but also would like to see the Afghans drive out the Soviets."

—Counterspy

While about 300 demonstrators shouted anti-nuclear slogans in New London, Conn., a half a dozen members of the Ku Klux Klan—all but one wearing white robe and hoods rallied nearby in support of a strong defense. At this "ceremony" for the U.S.'s fourth Trident submarine, guess who got arrested? Right, 33 of the peace protesters were arrested.

—Big Mama Rag

"Reader's Digest" Illiteracy

The other day in the White House mess, an aide to the President told a visiting historian that Mr. Reagan was puzzled by a continuing foreign policy problem with historical roots. The official asked the historian to prepare a background paper on the issue for the President. "Make your paper six pages long," the historian was told, "and write it in Reader's Digest style."

—New York Times, 4/12/84

Cleaning Up Femininity

Ever since the toxic shock syndrome scare, competition and advertising have taken off in the tampon and sanitary pad industries. From 1980 to 1982, advertising for pads increased by 55%. The companies' latest marketing magic is "thin pads"—an attempt to get women to wear some kind of pad every day of the month. As one industry analyst said, "These marketers have decided to teach women that they aren't clean." Since the analyst was a woman, one might have expected her to slam the industry for its attitude. But her business school training must have gotten the better of her sex—her only conclusion was, "The market could be enormous if they are successful."

—dollars & Sense

The Big Spender

MR. BIG HEART Reagan recently said he would donate all the residual income from his old films to charity. This, says he, would be an example of what private citizens and companies can do to help the needy in this, the richest nation in the world, and make up for his brutal cuts in social services that are "saving America from big government." Well, one reporter for the Chicago Tribune thought he'd look into old Reagan's generosity, and discovered that Ronnie's total residuals in 1982 came to the magnificent sum of \$30.

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