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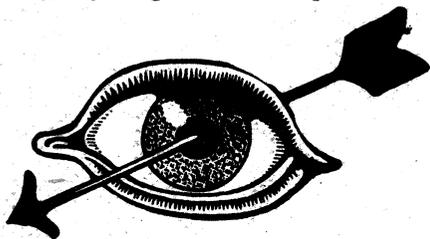
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BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

## NO MORE GENOCIDE

On July 8, 1986 14,000 to 20,000 traditional Dine (Navajo) people will face forced relocation at the hands of the U.S. military because they are resisting the exploitation of their ancestral homeland for uranium and coal. An unprecedented call has gone out to non-Indian people everywhere to unify with these people and Indians of many other tribes. Little time remains to get the word out before this impending atrocity is completed and swept under the apathetic rug of self-imposed ignorance. This will be an attempt to remove more Indian people than ever at one time in our so called history.

Many believe that the Indian wars ended with the battle of Wounded Knee in 1890 not realizing that a covert, slow motion genocide has been continuously operating on reservations that are very effectively isolated from mainstream eyes, ears, minds and hearts. Most anti-nuke people do not realize that between 1979 and 1983, 100% of all the uranium mined came from Indian land where the people suffer the hideous consequences from exposure to low level radiation. Without this crucial element, not one nuclear warhead could be concocted. The time to stop nuclear madness and extreme oppression is NOW! The symbolic, non-violent actions many of us have participated in as we stand for life at Diablo Canyon, Livermore, Seabrook etc. have been fire drills for this real and immediate life threatening situation that is the very source of the nuclear process. It is a reality that Indian people have struggled to communicate for decades as their women suffer extremely high miscarriage rates



and more and more babies are born with birth defects.

The final moves are being made to obtain the remaining resources by the transnationals. Human life is expendable in the face of profits. It is essential that we educate ourselves about the greedy intentions of our government right here, see the parallels between the struggle of Indian people, the struggle in South Africa and in Central America. The issues are concentric and none of them can afford to be neglected. The most powerful actions people of peace can engage in will STOP the ongoing genocide of Native Americans and the other land based peoples of the globe facing varying degrees of the same extermination. We have much to learn from the people who still know the ways of living close to the Mother Earth in a good way. .op  
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## UC Divestment Coalition: THE STRUGGLE CONTINUES

by The Divestment Coalition

Three days of protests last week indicate a growing current of anger and resentment at the failure of the U.C. regents to divest from companies doing business in South Africa at their June 20-21 meeting. A total of 89 people were arrested at student protests on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday June 19-21.

Nine people were arrested for sitting-in at U.C. President Gardner's office at the Berkeley campus on Wednesday June 19. Another 24 people were arrested in a civil disobedience action initiated by Women Against Oppression the following day, Thursday June 20, at the regents' meeting.

The largest number of arrests came on Friday after the regents voted to reject Assembly Speaker Willie Brown's divestment proposal. After peacefully marching down Market Street from the UC Extension Center, a crowd of about 250 protesters began going up Powell Street toward Union Square. Suddenly, without warning, a squad of San Francisco motorcycle police roared up Powell Street, forcing demonstrators onto the sidewalk. Police immediately dismounted, drew their nightsticks, and surrounded the demonstrators.  
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## Gay and Lesbian S.F. Parade

ALIVE WITH PRIDE IN '85

by Phread McGiffin

On Sunday June 30th, the San Francisco Gay/Lesbian population held its 16th annual Gay/Lesbian Freedom Day Parade and Celebration. The festivities began at 11AM at Spear and Market Streets with the parade (which ended at 2:30PM at the United Nations Plaza), continued late in the afternoon with speakers, comedians, booths, food and music at the United Nations Plaza and then moved to the many gay and lesbian bars and clubs of the San Francisco homosexual community where many wild, all-night parties were held.

The Gay/Lesbian Freedom Day originated from two major events in the history of the Gay/Lesbian Rights Movement. In 1969, two thousand gays, many dressed in drag, confronted the fascistic, anti-homosexual NYPD's attempt to shut down the Stonewall Club, a gay club on Christopher Street. The same year in San Francisco, several thousand gays marched from Dolores Park to Golden Gate Park to join 200,000 anti-VietNam War demonstrators; this march is known as the November Moratorium.

Since Mayor George Moscone's 1976 proclamation of June 27th as the San Francisco Gay/Lesbian Freedom Day, the celebration has  
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### CRUCIAL MEETING TONIGHT

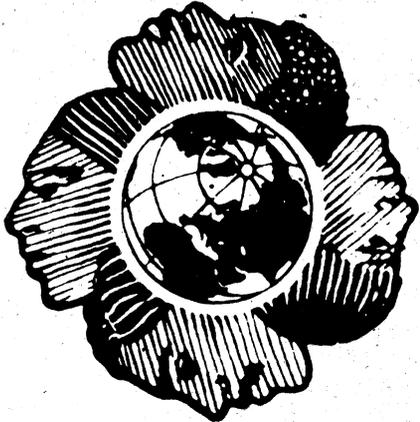
As the push for divestment grows on college campuses all over the country, one can see that some sort of national coordination is necessary. The creation of such a body has already begun in the form of a call for a national student conference to be held in New York in late September. The call is too long to print here, but in short it calls for a student conference on four main points: South Africa, The government/media offensive, World War III preparations and Central American issues. This is going to be an important event if the desire for change in America is to become a reality.

Here, in Berkeley, serious work needs to be done in order to have a serious contingent of people and ideas to send to the conference. Remember, a large number of people still look for Berkeley to take some initiative—let us not let them down. COME TO THE MEETING TONIGHT; Tuesday, July 2, 8:00 pm. MEET AT BARRINGTON HALL (2315 Dwight Way), THE BASEMENT AREA.

This meeting is to discuss the topics presented in the call, plus any other topics one finds relevant and important. Also, this meeting is not only to start organizing representatives for the fall, but also to organize and implement actions throughout the summer. The time is now to act. WE CANNOT WAIT.



NEWS



around the world

Invasion:

Angola: South African troops have killed over 61 people in the past two days in Southern Angola.

Raided:

The U.S. backed South Korean government raided nine campuses and arrested 65 students for alleged anti-government activity.

Free the four...and Puerto Rico:

Chicago Four alleged members of The Armed Forces of National Liberation (F.A.L.N.) are on trial for conspiracy to bomb U.S. military installations.

New Nuke:

Port Gibson, Miss. The largest nuclear power plant in the U.S. is slated to open today cost 3.5 billion dollars...consumers in Arkansas have vowed to march on the plant and burn their electric bills.

Harlen County, P.R.C.

Occidental Petroleum is developing a strip mining operation in Shanxi, China. The Chinese are to assume all costs of the infrastructure supplying 17,000 workers to build roads and rail links. 15 million tons of coal is the anticipated yield with 2/3's of that slated for export. Yearly wage of the Chinese worker—\$400.

Under Siege:

Almost 40 people were killed and over 60 wounded when South African backed mercenaries attacked this town outside of Maputo.

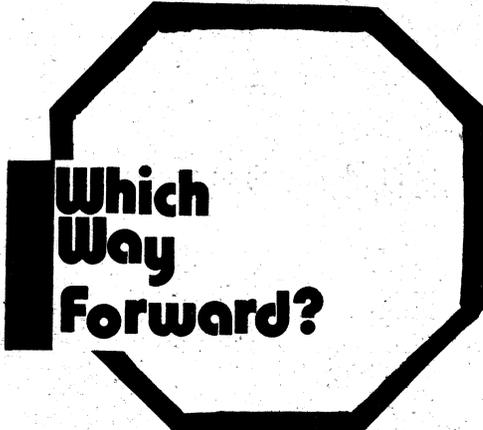
Order of the day:

General Wallace Nutting commander of the Army and Air Force in the U.S. says he is opposed to an invasion of Nicaragua. "We have learned to live with Cuba for 25 years. I think we are going to have to live with Nicaragua.

Sacramento, Ca:

The new state budget apparently slipped by the California legislature with a few interesting items bear notation:

- A. Cut \$34 million out of public housings' \$37.5 million budget.
- B. Cut \$16 million out from A.I.D.S. programs.
- C. Cut state aid to facilitate providing abortions.
- D. Also word from the "Duke" is that he'll be using tents to relieve prison over-crowding—bring an air mattress and some marshmallows.



by Jeff Kravitz

We have protested, we have sat-in, we have gone to jail. They have done nothing, they continue to invest in South Africa, they continue to build nuclear weapons, they continue to deny equal access to third world students and faculty, they continue to let the ROTC sell murder on campus.

What are we to do? Our enemies scream for us to give up, to relax, to work within the system. No, we are not going to do that.

We can not just lobby and beg the powers that be to see things our way. We cannot build the power of the state and oppose the state at the same time.

We must continue to do what was begun here this year, we must create an opposition to the government that at once points out the faults of the present ruling class and creates the embryo of the future society.

In the Fall the world will be watching to see what we do next. We should invite the world to join with us in an International Student Strike. All over the globe this strike would take different forms, but it would be united be the world-wide aspiration for an end to apartheid for an end to racism for an end to the Nuclear arms race. During such a strike our position on the issues affecting the globe could be heard and at the same time the Strike committees, the popular assemblies in the streets, the sit-ins could push forward as the Dual power opposed to the decaying world order which brings us each day to the precipice of nuclear doom.

This strike will not happen by polemics alone. We must start organizing now. Our actions in the fall cannot be marred by our racism and sexism which ran rampant during the sit-in. We must learn and grow from our past mistakes in order to insure future victories.

PHOENICIA BESIAGED

The latest wave of aerial activism in the Middle East illustrates two points: the importance that Syria has gained in the past ten years, and the intractability of the Palestinian question. While the hijackings of the past twenty days may be the work of small radical cells working to undermine American interests, the causes for their actions are not so narrow as religious fanaticism. The most troublesome factor in the Lebanese equation is the Palestinian refugee. And strangely the most stabilizing force is the Syrian Army.

Oddly the organization responsible for creating the art of political statements via airliners, is now being denounced from the very tarmacs that it once claimed as its centerstage. Black September, born during the bloody expulsion of the Palestinians from Jordan in 1970, made almost identical plans to those made by the Shiite hijackers: that all their soldiers held captive in Israeli and foreign jails be set free. Today, however, the demands of the hijackers have no sympathy for the plight of the Palestinians, in fact, in a hijacking incident two days prior to the present one the main demand was that all Palestinians leave Lebanon.

Just as in 1975, the Lebanese people are fighting for their survival as a nation. And as then, the nation is sandwiched between the invading armies of Israel and Syria. Between the two is an array of Christian and Moslem forces battling for control of the government.

The present state of affairs come as a direct consequence of the 1982 invasion by Israel. The invasion came after a series of attacks on its northern settlements and the wounding of its foreign ambassador. The drive that began as a mission to destroy the P.L.O. at its roost did not end until Israeli tanks sat poised on the outskirts of Beirut.

The invasion reaped a myriad of victories and defeats, but in the final analysis, the kudos will be reluctantly handed to the Syrians. For Israel, their war machine had succeeded in destroying the military and political headquarters of the P.L.O. For Syria, this facilitated its radical position concerning Israel vis a vis the P.L.O. It enabled the Syrian government to lay claim as the protector of Lebanese sovereignty, as well as the savior of the Palestinian people. Syria,

by standing threatened, but firm, gained the onerous label as being the only legitimate foreign army in Lebanon.

After the bloody rampages of Sabra and Chatiila, a "multi-national" force was formed, with U.S. Marines forming the bulk of its manpower. This satisfied a longstanding Israeli wish for direct U.S. involvement in the Region. It also scrapped the need for discussion concerning a U.N. force which Israel has often objected to. And finally, the invasion sufficed to turn Moslem public opinion against the Palestinians.

As the bombing intensified during the summer of 1982, the implied condition for its stopping was to somehow or other control the P.L.O. The Lebanese people relented and demanded not only that the bombing stop but that the Palestinians leave Lebanon. The Syrian government also put force to this demand by encouraging the so-called "radicals" in the feud with the Arafat forces who are said to be willing to negotiate with Israel.

The Syrian leadership knows well that no stability can come to Lebanon unless the Palestinians are granted a national homeland or rendered impotent by disarming them. In 1976, the Syrian army moved into Lebanon, at the invitation of Christian government led by Elias Sarkis, and the program was much the same: force the Palestinians from Beirut, and take away their military capabilities.

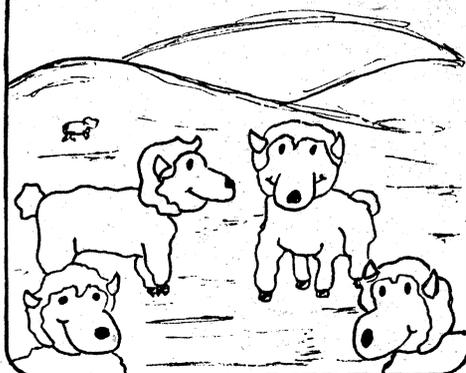
The factors so far mentioned, all have body counts of their own. The U.S. military contingent became involved in the political quagmire, and was defeated militarily and politically. The Israeli government came under intense diplomatic attack from its allies, and was victim to relentless guerilla attacks that left over 700 dead. The Palestinians, in the meantime, suffered massacre upon massacre in a number of attacks on its camps. The only body to endure this torrent of military and political debacles was the state of Syria.

The present situation involving the 39 passengers marooned in Lebanon, has not only to do with their innocence, but also with the many unheard voices that die for resisting the Assad dictatorship. The Syrian army until the '82 invasion was like the Israeli and American forces, an invading army. The invasion served as a pretext for fulfilling its longstanding desire to dominate Lebanese affairs. In laying claim to be

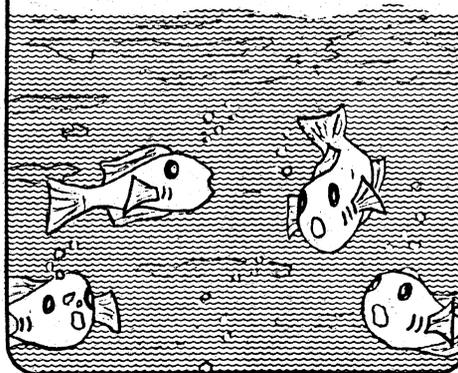
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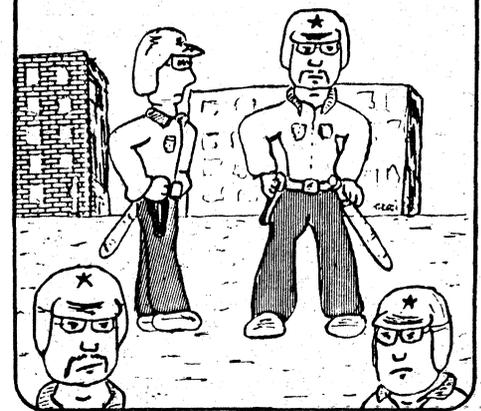
1 A "FLOCK" of Sheep.



2 A "SCHOOL" of Fish.



3 AN "EXCESSIVE FORCE" of Police.



THORN • P. Bird

Book Review



A Woman Speaks, by Anais Nin, W.H. Allen & Co., Ltd., London, 1982, 264 pages, Star Paperbacks.

Anais Nin is famous for her erotic prose and short story collections, The Delta of Venus and Little Birds, but in her later years she was instrumental in starting Women's Studies programs at universities across the nation. In the late '60's and early '70's, until her death in 1976, she was a popular speaker, and A Woman Speaks is a collection of lectures and the question-answer sessions that followed.

Although Nin covers topics from art and psychology to sexism and racial prejudice, her concern always focuses on how women can use their immediate experiences of womanhood in a male-oriented society to transform themselves and society. Nin does not rely on political aphorisms, or withdraw into her anger and lash out at men from the smug "women fight back" perspective of other popular feminists. Her approach toward the liberation of women is supremely humanistic. She speaks out strongly to women because she strips away the artifices our culture has affixed to feminine experience, tears down the mythology which has shaped women's (and men's) lives since the Middle Ages, and leaves no one responsible for women's anger and powerlessness but women themselves.

Nin encourages expression of personal experience. By finding words for the reality she sees, by speaking out to men and to other women, Nin believes the individual woman can help destroy the mystification to which women have been, through their long obscurity and silence in the personal, familial life, so long accomplice. It is from that personal realm where women have been sequestered that they must speak. After one of the lectures, a listener sums up with, "In other words, the responsibility lies with us to articulate our own reality because we have really been accomplices in the mystification of the female." Nin responds, "Absolutely, absolutely. This is what I really believe." Our silence is our acquiescence.

Nin never attacks men or society, although she does point out how both have affected the position of women. To react in anger or to seek power within male limits, to play by their rules and consciously or subconsciously imitate men, is still to buy into some aspect of female mystification. Nin completely shatters the whole framework of her domination by translating her uniquely feminine experience into words that show men a woman as she sees herself, and that can speak for and encourage other women.

—by Holly Ober

This column, when originally conceived, was intended to be a music review. However, in the past few weeks it has gone somewhat astray. Jeep, our own Herb Caen of the radical left, seems to have lost track of the initial directive. I would like to seize this opportunity to rectify this error and perhaps set "Hell in a Handbasket" on the right track. To wit, a music review:



in a handbasket

I like music and recommend it highly, but wonder about the accessibility of automatic weaponry.

A night or two ago I elected to spend an evening at the I-Beam inspecting the local music scene. Some band or another was playing (no one really cares who) but for me the most viscerally powerful moment of the evening came when I discovered (at the bar) that they had only new Coke to mix at the bar...

I hate to complain, but it's too hard to get ahold of a quality machine gun these days. Back in 1963 you could order a fine Mannlicher-Carcano (with night scope) army surplus through the mail for only 30 bucks...

I love Coca-Cola. Deeply. Or at least I used to before maniacally dangerous zombies from hell took over the bodies of Coke's major executives and undermined the utter foundation of rewhiteandblue American consumerism, an art practiced in its most pure, religious form by that most doggishly faithful demographic grouping, Coke-heads. One of these am I and proud to admit it: an avid Coke-sucker who would gladly get down on my knees for a 16-ounce injection. But those were to good old days...

I had nothing but respect for the Shiites up until the point they released the hostages. It seemed like they had it together and were ready to party on network t.v....

And what (I said to myself as some demi-boogie band droned unpleasantly through an unbelievably mediocre sound system) about those fellahs in San Salvador? If I slaughtered 14 people sunning themselves at Cafe Bottega (including, say, four officers of TransAmerica Corporation), for sure I could get my face all over the New York fucking Times, maybe even People Magazine...if I could just get the artillery...

Now if I'd been listening to some truly-slashing rock 'n' roll that ripped me out of my seat and blasted me bodily into the crud-covered wall (and maybe brought me a mug of Harp Ale to boot) maybe I

wouldn't have worried about all this, but as it was, the standardized computer card riffings of whatever miserable collection of Down's syndrome victims happened to be on stage led me to think deeply about the essentially ineffectual stance of today's American...

Send Coca-Cola Corporation a clear message. SKIP consumer groups. Do NOT boycott New Coke. REFUSE to mail in protest coupons. REJECT the entire idea of calling the complaint line. All these so-called "consumer actions" seem a trifle namby-pamby in light of recent world events...

Take hostages. Picture yourself on three major networks SIMULTANEOUSLY, holding say a modified Uzi to the head of (for a random example) a UC Regent. 80 million are watching as you cry out "Everything goes better with Coke—including mass homicide! Viva la revolucion!" and then squeeze the trigger, feel the anger and frustration of weeks without the Real Thing flowing out at 15 rounds per second, the gun recoiling, the newspeople diving for cover, blood rippling the sulphurous air...

The band wasn't all that hot, and it's too hard to get ahold of a quality machine gun these days.

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Gay & Lesbian Parade...cont.

become more organized and broader in its representation of participants. The parades of the early seventies allowed homosexuals to step out in public while recent parades have been used as a forum for political and social issues. This makes the event not only a celebration but also a mass demonstration against the New Right. The 1977 parade, the first one to go down Market Street, drew more than 200,000 people, many being there to protest the ultra right-wing Anita Bryant who is a leader against civil and homosexual rights.

Harvey Milk, San Francisco's first openly gay supervisor, rode in the 1978 parade, which was the first to receive city funding (\$10,000). In lieu of the 1978



assassination of Milk and Moscone by Twinkie-brain Dan White, the 1979 parade was the quietest to date. It was also the Dykes on Bikes, one of the more popular and powerful participants, first parade appearance.

Last year's parade focused on the upcoming demonstration at the Democratic National Convention and the gay/lesbian groups that opposed Reagan's imperialist policies, such as U.S. intervention in Central America.

Sistah Boom, a participant in the 1984 and 1985 parades, played world beat-type music, danced a very rhythmic martial-arts dance, and displayed beautiful pro-FMLN banners. They were very exciting to watch as they sang, danced and chanted.

This year's parade was dedicated to Bobbi Campbell, one of the first AIDS victims to speak candidly of his illness. In 1983, Bobbi and other AIDS victims led the parade.

"Honor our past. Secure our future."—the 1985 Gay/Lesbian Parade.

In a flagrant show of machismo, approximately 100 "Dykes on Bikes" led the parade. The crowd, which has been estimated at 85,000 by the SFPD and at 400,000 by the parade promoters, yelped and hooted as the Dykes, decked in leather and spikes, roared down Market Street to the U.N. Plaza. Upon arriving, they parked their motorcycles, lining both sides of the last stretch of the parade route with their Harley-Davidsons, BMW's, and BSA's. It was very hard not to notice them since they have a very dominating presence.

The line-up of the parade included about 150 groups, each one stating its message in a unique, exciting and beautiful manner. For lack of space I cannot list every group so I will only mention my favorites:

- Dykes on Bikes
- Rainbow Flag (this group displayed the gigantic rainbow flag, which is the official flag of the parade)
- Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays
- South Bay Gay Fathers
- Black & White Men Together
- Sistah Boom
- Ladies Against Women
- Rawhide II (great cowboy outfits)
- Gay Freedom Band of Los Angeles (wonderful music and routine)
- International Association of Gay Square Dance Clubs
- Chaps of San Francisco (very loud, obnoxious, and sexy)
- Times of Harvey Milk (celebrating the Oscar-winning documentary)
- Empress and Emperor of San Francisco and the Grand Duchess and Duke of San Francisco

The day's events showed the unity and strength of not just the gay and lesbian community but of the whole progressive movement which is battling the Reactionary Reagan Regime.

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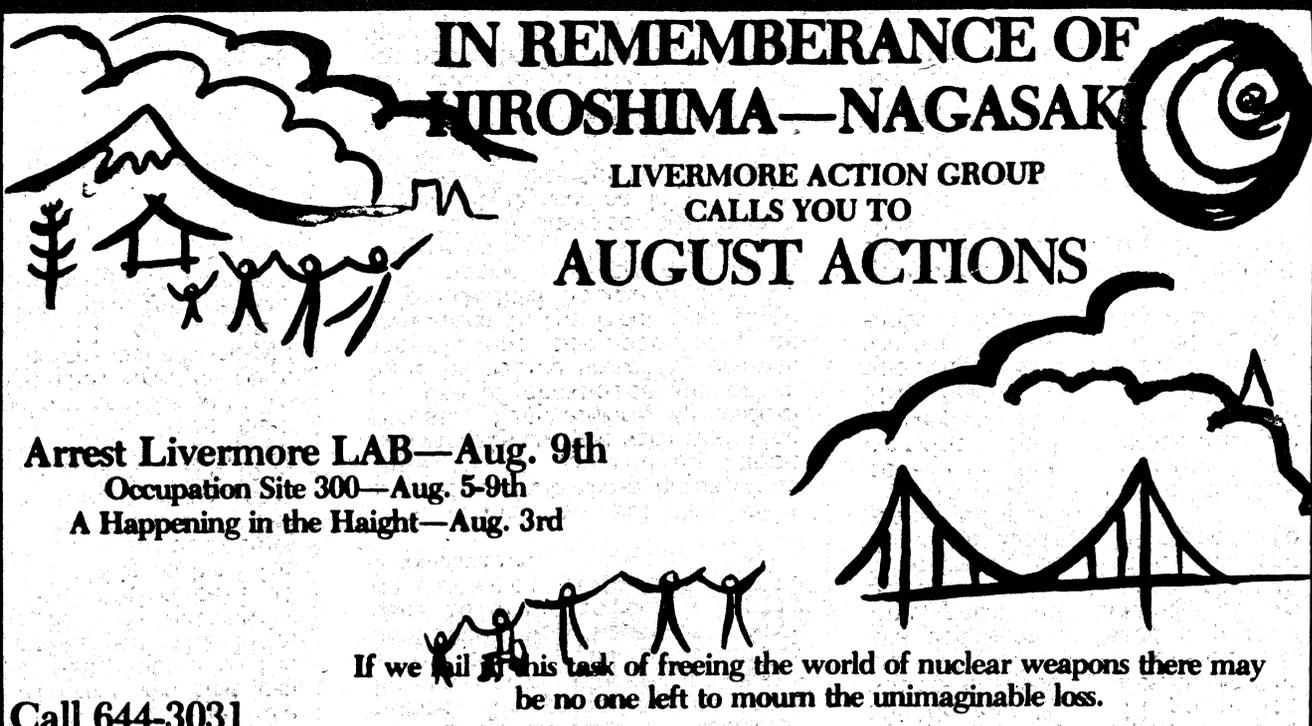
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 1964—Mass protests force the Congress to pass the Civil Rights Act.  
 1967—Thurgood Marshall becomes first black U.S. Supreme Court Justice. He was born on this day in 1908.  
 1968—Police impose city-wide curfew in Berkeley after they violently attack protesters on Telegraph Avenue. Tear gas fills the air as Governor Reagan laughs.  
 1976—VietNam officially reunited after 25-year long war against the United States. U.S. government manages to avoid War Crimes tribunals.

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 The U.C. Divestment Coalition will be showing the film "Generations of Resistance" at 7:30 pm, Tuesday July 2, in 254 Barrows, followed by our summer orientation meeting. All welcome! For information call 642-2175.  
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 If we fail in this task of freeing the world of nuclear weapons there may be no one left to mourn the unimaginable loss.  
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**siege** (cont. from p. 2)  
 the protector of the Palestinians it was able to bolster its position as the country favoring no negotiations with the Israeli state. The real innocents are the many being held by the unreality of no talk of a Palestinian state, and the many victims of dictatorships that parade beneath the banner of Palestinian rights.  
 Wallace Simpson

**NO MORE GENOCIDE**  
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The greatest power they carry is their spirituality, something most of us have little exposure to in the true sense of nature's immense life force. The resistance at Big Mountain is guided by the Elder Dine woman who carry the essence of their ancient culture and have been the ones arrested for stopping the fencing crews chopping up the lands. They ask that those who come to the land bring no weapons, drugs or alcohol. They ask that their traditions be respected in a manner not often shown by non-Indian people and Anglo people in particular.

This land has been continuously occupied by the same people for hundreds of years; in some places, for thousands. It is covered with pottery from the burial sites of their ancestors. It is asked that we do not take any of these shards, though it is permissible to pick them up, look at them and put them down. A code of honor not evident in the dominant society exists here. Profane language, nudity, excessive talking and asking of questions are all offensive. It is the time to listen, watch and do the bidding of people who truly know the ways of the land. They are living the alternatives that can offer a major contribution to the healthy survival of all life. Life on the land is extremely difficult. Some Anglos call it slavery to be working so hard for the pressured, industrious shepherd-farmers of this sacred area. But we must remember that slaves cannot leave. The Dine people cannot leave. We who go down to help still have that option. Soon our choices will be gone. Before they are, we must utilize our choices and advantages to benefit all of Earth's creatures. For more information, contact the Berkeley Big Mountain Support Group, 1412 Cypress Street, Berkeley, Ca. 94703 (415) 841-6500.

In peaceful struggle,  
 Swaneagle  
 I am interested in helping set-up food runs to the Navajo-Hopi reservation. Anyone who would like to do the same, call Melissa at 548-5294.

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**DIVESTMENT COALITION**

Several demonstrators went up to police and indicated their desire to leave. Police replied that the entire group was to be placed under arrest, and threatened to physically attack anyone attempting to leave the sidewalk. About 15 minutes after surrounding the demonstrators, police announced over a bullhorn that everyone on the sidewalk was under arrest. At no time before then did police warn people to leave the area of face arrest. Demonstrators were handcuffed, photographed, and taken to the Hall of Justice.

Ironically, the 53 arrested protesters were charged with blocking the sidewalk, despite the fact that those arrested repeatedly expressed their desire to leave the area they were supposedly blocking, and remained there only because police threatened to use force against anyone attempting to leave.

Student organizations at UC Berkeley condemn the Powell Street arrests as a blatant violation of the right to free speech and an attack on our first amendment rights. The police had no legal basis for these arrests whatsoever, and we canonically conclude that the arrests were made in order to end a highly militant and effective demonstration.

We demand that all charges be dropped against those arrested at June 19-21, including those individuals charged with resisting arrest. Furthermore, we condemn the use of chokholds and other forms of police brutality against non-violent demonstrators, as documented in the front page photo on the Oakland Tribune of June 22.

In response, we are calling on people to show their support at the Hall of Justice, 850 Bryant Street, at 12 noon on July 22, the arraignment date for many of those arrested June 20-21. We call on everyone who upholds the right to free speech to join with us on that date, even if the charges are dropped. The San Francisco Police Department must be put on notice that the people of the Bay Area will not tolerate their heavy-handed attempts to crush dissent.

Over 1000 people have been arrested so far this year in protests demanding full UC divestment from South Africa. The zeal with which the UC systemwide administration has pursued prosecution of these individuals raises serious questions about the sincerity of President Gardner's widely-publicized abhorrence of apartheid. Of nine people arrested for a nonviolent sit-in at Gardner's office on June 20, two are facing trumped-up charges of assaulting a secretary.

Another example of the UC vendetta against anti-apartheid protesters is the University's attempt to portray 32 people arrested on the steps of Biko Hall April 16 as violent extremists because they allegedly resisted arrest. In his questioning of the defendants, the prosecution asked whether they would support the tactic of hijacking airliners to win divestment. The University has done nothing to speak out against this clumsy attempt to paint student protesters as wild-eyed terrorists, let alone push the district attorney to drop charges against those whose only crime was to stand up for the cause of freedom in South Africa.

Perhaps the most shocking example of the lengths to which the University will go in its search-and-destroy mission against the anti-apartheid movement was its decision to send a police infiltrator into meetings of two Berkeley campus groups, the U.C. divestment Coalition and the Campaign Against Apartheid, to gather information.

This police spy, Leo Lin, has recently been charged with carrying a loaded handgun with him on campus. It is unclear at this time whether he was armed at the meetings he infiltrated, or whether he was instructed by the Administration to carry a weapon.

In any case, the U.C. police department has brazenly defended their decision to hire this armed thug, from which we can only conclude that they intend to continue such practices. It is obvious that this will have the effect of instilling fear and discouraging people from attending meetings and getting involved in our growing movement. We call on all who uphold the right to freedom of expression to join with us in condemning these outrageous scare tactics.