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According to a report by the U.S. Departments of Justice and Agriculture, between 1977 - June 1993, in the US alone there were:

- 313 documented actions involving property damage or personal injury against medical researchers, furriers, and meat producers
- this includes 21 arsons, 14 fire bombings, 186 other acts of property damage, 28 bomb threats/hoaxes/attempts, and 77 thefts
- 43% of these actions targeted bio-medical research facilities, mostly at universities and National Institutes of Health



- estimated monetary value was \$137 million dollars in damage
- years of research has also been destroyed: one attack alone (at Michigan State University) cost 32 years of research on minks
- nearly 60% of these actions were claimed by the A.L.F.
- 43 of the incidents involved threats or injury to individuals or damage to their homes

from article by Robert Cassidy, Editor-In-Chief of "R&D Magazine", as printed in "The People's Agenda" October 1994 (Putting People First's newsletter)

16 YEARS OF DIRECT ACTION FOR ANIMAL LIBERATION

\$137 MILLION DAMAGE

DEDICATION ~ LINDA COTNAM

Sept 27 1959 - Nov 5 1994

This issue is dedicated to Linda, who was a tireless activist in so many movements, including women's, queer, and animal liberation. Linda was arrested in 1987 with four other activists for A.L.F. actions in the Toronto area. For the last 4 years of her life Linda worked at a women's shelter helping women who were living on the street. Her favorite sound was the sound of breaking glass.

THANKS to all those who helped us put out this issue of *Underground*, particularly: Annette Tibbles, Darren Thurston, David Barbarash, devorah, John Perotti, Rod Coronado, and all other contributors; R@bbix, Vegan Resistance, the UK ALFSG, and all the groups that gave us the o.k. to reprint information from their newsletters; *Prison News Service* and the Prison Activist Resource Centre for their immense contributions; *Schism's* Neat-Gizmos-&-All-Round-Swell-Guy-Editor and everyone else who put so many hours into production; all folks taking direct action for earth/animal/human liberation; friends and comrades who helped support us after the burglary; and last but not definitely not least our financial angels, anonymous and otherwise. A special thank you to Corndog for organizing so many benefits in such a short period of time!

LOUD HOWLS to all political prisoners, especially: Darren Thurston, John Perotti and the Lucasville brothers, Lise Olsen, Little Rock Reed, Mark Davis, Milton Born With A Tooth, Rod Coronado, W.C. Lassell, Allison McKeon, Angie Hamp, Annette Tibbles, Colin Chatfield, Dave Callender, Greg Avery, Gurjeet Aujla, Keith Mann, Max Watson, Terry Helsby, Paul S, and others who are raging against the machine. And no, it is not true that Darren is going to show off his new jail-acquired muscles in an ALFSG calendar—that is a vicious rumor.

NO THANKS to the fuckers who robbed our home/office; whoever led to Rod's arrest; Jessica Sandham and all other snitches; Putting People First/Kathleen Marquardt and their ilk; groups that insist on promoting unnecessary conflict and divisive infighting; and of course CSIS/NSIS/FBI/BATF/other federal agencies.

HOW TO GET INCLUDED IN THE THANKS SECTION: Give us presents. Right now we are really in desperate need of equipment (or money for equipment), to replace what was stolen. We are also looking for donations of additional equipment, so we can stop spending so much money on printing/photocopying/faxing and put the money to better uses. On our wish list, from most urgent to least urgent: fax machine, laser printer, photocopier, graphics scanner, 9400/higher modem, or other Mac-compatible gadgets or computers. We can also use donations of unused Canadian stamps or international postal orders. All gifts, large and small, are sincerely appreciated.

The purpose of the North American Animal Liberation Front Supporters Group (NA-ALFSG) is to support the work of the Animal Liberation Front (A.L.F.) by ALL LAWFUL MEANS POSSIBLE. This includes:

- * support of imprisoned A.L.F. activists
- * support and defense of the A.L.F.
- * educating the public as to the need and rationale of direct action
- * providing a communication forum through the Supporters Group newsletter
- * raising funds for all the above activities

The Supporters Group is for those who wish to support the A.L.F. without breaking the law. We encourage the participation of all activists — including those who are unable to, or who do not wish to, take part in direct action.

Any individual or group of people who are vegetarians or vegans and who carry out actions according to A.L.F. guidelines have the right to regard themselves as part of the A.L.F.

The Animal Liberation Front consists of small autonomous groups of people all over the world who carry out direct action according to the A.L.F. guidelines. You cannot become a member of — or an A.L.F. activist — by joining or writing to the North American ALFSG, which is a completely separate organization.

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SUBMISSIONS ASSERTIONS TO UNDERGROUND

We welcome letters, articles, artwork, action reports, or anything else for publication in *Underground*. Please be sure to write "FOR PUBLICATION" on anything you send us for the newsletter, so that we know what should and should not be published. Also please make it clear whether or not you will accept editing of your contribution.

We do not believe in censorship. If we have serious concerns about printing something that is sent to us, we will make every effort to discuss our concerns with the author. As part of taking responsibility for *Underground*, we will let readers know if we have a serious problem with something we end up printing. Keep in mind that this is a magazine by and for people who support the A.L.F. and please strive to keep your letters / articles respectful.

On Friday, October 22, between 8 and 9:30 pm, the ALFSG coordinators' home, which doubles as the SG office, was broken into. Items stolen include the SG computer, modems, telephone, almost all our work on this issue of *Underground*, the SG petty cash, materials from the SG files, and a few personal items of no commercial value—an address book, date book, socks (!), and diary. Although some of our non-ALFSG housemate's valuables were taken, the thieves left other items of hers that would have been of high resale value. The house next door was burgled that same night as well. Not much was taken; again, valuables were left. Of all the rooms in each house, only one room was thoroughly ransacked—the magazine editor's bedroom/office. It seems clear that this was, at least in part, an attack on the ALFSG.

NORTH AMERICAN ALFSG NEWS --

On behalf of the NA-ALFSG, I am pleased to say that all was not lost. We are confident that the thieves will not be able to decode the information stored on our computer. Most of our data was backed up on disks that were not stolen. However, we have lost some data. So if you do not receive merchandise you ordered or an answer to your letter, or if you receive a letter saying "your subscription has expired" even though you just sent us a cheque, please write us again. We apologize for any delays or confusion this may cause.

THOUGHTS ON THE BURGLARY

I cannot say I was surprised at being targeted in this way. At some point, those of us who are committed to seeing radical changes in the way society is structured are going to have to accept that radical change is going to really piss some people off. But do we really accept what that means? Or do we cling to the privileged and illusory notion that we can effect change without threatening the security of the current order? George Jackson, a black liberationist and revolutionary who was imprisoned and then assassinated in the 1970s, said, "If we accept revolution, we must accept all that it implies: repression, counter-terrorism, days filled with work, nervous strain, prison, funerals." If we are to stand behind our commitments, we must come to grips with the reality of what being part of a liberation movement means, let go of our illusions of living in a benevolent society, and do what we can to prepare ourselves for intensified levels of repression that will

ANIMAL LIBERATION FRONT (A.L.F.) GUIDELINES:

The Animal Liberation Front carries out direct action against animal abuse in the form of rescuing animals and causing financial loss to animal exploiters, usually through the damage and destruction of property.

The A.L.F.'s short term aim is to save as many animals as possible and directly disrupt the practice of animal abuse. Their long term aim is to end all animal suffering by forcing animal abuse companies out of business. It is a nonviolent campaign, activists taking all precautions not to harm any animal (human or otherwise).

Because A.L.F. actions are against the law activists work anonymously, either in small groups or individually, and do not have any centralized organization or coordination.

happen as we become more effective.

On October 2, 1994, an explosive device was placed on or underneath the car of a well-known hunt saboteur in England. The device exploded at 9 am, in a crowded area. This was, as far as we know, the first time that a timed device has been used against a member of the animal liberation movement—but you can bet it won't be the last. At a recent conference a friend informed me that Judi Bari, a well known American environmental/trade union/feminist activist, is receiving death threats again, four years after surviving a bomb attack that left her permanently wounded.

The nature of this kind of harassment is that those around us will get dragged in. The parents of an activist who has been the target of grand jury investigations were subpoenaed to the grand jury investigating an ALF raid at the University of Washington. It is enraging that innocents such as her parents, or my housemate & neighbours, were affected simply because of their neighbours'/friends'/child's perceived political activities. It is true indeed, as the author of "What's It Gonna Take?" writes, that anyone can be a target—whether they are activists or not.

We have GOT to wake up and stop denying/romanticizing what is happening. This wave of repression is not from a Hollywood movie, it is our movement's reality. We are not the first. This has happened to other movements. How many of us, though, have educated ourselves about police tactics used against the Black Panthers and other black liberationists, the American Indian Movement and other indigenous sovereigntists, the Puerto Rican independentistas, the Sanctuary movement, unionists, etc? We'd better open

What was helpful: people letting me talk as much as I needed to; people thinking about practical details such as whether or not I was eating and sleeping; people offering to help recoup the work that was lost; and, very importantly, people offering to help with money. An extraordinary activist, who doesn't know me that well and is not at all rich, offered 100% financial (and other) assistance to get me to a conference where I would get tons of support, even at the expense of his own participation in the conference—this kind of unconditional, selfless support REALLY made a difference. Which is not to say the emotional support people offered was not as helpful as the money; all of us can support each other in different ways, no matter what our resources are.

I was shocked by is how few people asked me what I needed, assuming instead that they knew what would be the best way to give support. Other attempts that were NOT helpful (no matter how well-intentioned): people who spent my long distance phone time and money discussing various conspiracy theories; clichéd rhetoric such as "keep up the fight, sister", "we're all targets", etc. (even if it's true, it's not the first thing I wanted to hear given that I was the one who had my home trashed); people who tried to "distract me"; and people who did not take the burglary seriously (yes I know it could have been worse—I've had nightmares about how much worse it could have been).

4) DEAL WITH PARANOIA. There is a difference between paranoia and security. Paranoia causes us to be fearful and/or apathetic, wastes our time & energy on pointless speculation and sloppy judgements, and leads us to being isolated from each other. When something happens that you think was directed at you for political reasons, stop, breathe, and GET HELP. This stuff is simply too

GETTING ROBBED, GETTING PARANOID, AND GETTING THE MAGAZINE OUT

our circles wider than a narrowly defined animal liberation community, or we will not know how to prepare for survival.

On the topic of education—as with every situation, we can learn from the recent break-in at the NA-ALFSG office. Some of our precautions in anticipation of this type of harassment worked; others didn't. Lessons for the future. The following are a few of my still-scrambled thoughts on how to prepare for & deal with incidents such as this, on a political and personal level:

1) PROTECT YOUR WORK. The thieves have failed to seriously set the SG back. Part of this was good planning on our part; part of it was luck. This burglary is a potent reminder of the need to take the time to safeguard the work we do. ALWAYS make back-ups of computer information or hard copies; store these somewhere other than your house. On this same theme, one person should NEVER have all the information—because if that person is seriously harmed or killed (or imprisoned and kept incommunicado), all the work will be lost. DO NOT KEEP POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS PAPERS IN YOUR HOME. Before the police arrived I spent some time ignoring 911's warnings to "not touch anything" and cleaned up some papers, booklets, literature, etc. that I did not think the police would take kindly to. These papers should not have been in my house in the first place. ENCODE ALL COMPUTER WORK. Make sure that your hard drive, disks, and backup disks are also encoded/encrypted and that you store the decoding program on disks kept elsewhere (it won't do you much good to encode anything if you can't decode it, or if the thieves can easily access your decoding program). PGP is an excellent encoder (available for IBM-compatibles from Hidden Agenda, PO Box 1TA, Newcastle Upon Tyne, NE99 1TA, England; we are still trying to determine whether or not it is legal to distribute PGP as shareware for Macintoshes)—other algorithmic encoding programs are also useful. Do NOT rely on password-protect programs in software such as Excel, Word, etc. -- they are exceedingly easy to break.

2) STRENGTHEN THE PLACES YOU ARE WEAK. Assessing your weaknesses may be difficult on your own; ask trusted comrades to assist you. Where could your work be disrupted? Where is your security poor? Where could you be broken? Where do your ways of relating to comrades/friends/family leave you vulnerable to agitators and infiltrators? Where are tensions that can be exploited by provocateurs? Under what circumstances do you lose clearheaded thinking? Devise plans to work on these areas. Have no illusions: dealing with your weaknesses is extraordinarily difficult, and ongoing, work.

3) SUPPORT YOUR COMRADES WHO HAVE BEEN HARASSED. Different people will need different kinds of support; the following are not any concrete rules, but observations of my own reactions to the support offered by friends, family, and other activists.

overwhelming when we are isolated and alone.

Dealing with paranoia means educating yourself on the history of repression of political movements, becoming acquainted with police/state repression tactics and techniques, and trying to realistically assess what is currently happening in your locale in terms of government, corporate, or private surveillance/harassment. Avoid the temptation to make every little thing a big political deal. Compare different tactics: frame-ups, surveillance, incitement, provocation, infiltration, etc. Do not let your ego get grandiose (this is not as easy as it sounds!) and do not be afraid of showing weakness by asking for help.

OTHER NA-ALFSG NEWS

On the "when it rains, it pours" theme: our local Internet/e-mail system crashed in early October. For several weeks, all e-mail was returned to the sender. Our modems are being replaced by mid-November, so we should be back on line soon, assuming that the Freenet is back on-line by the time we return from our visit with an imprisoned activist. We will have a backlog of hundreds of postings to go through so please be patient, and if you got a posting bounced, please re-send it or send it via regular mail.

The main challenge for us now is to intensively fundraise. The huge influx of imprisoned activists and the costs of their support work, in addition to the recent burglary, have forced us to borrow almost \$2000. This money must be paid back by December 31—above and beyond the costs of our day to day work. We need your ideas for fundraising and we need you to continue your personal financial support of our work. As A.L.F. prisoner Darren Thurston writes, your financial assistance is necessary to "help the SG support those of us inside." We cannot do it alone.

I should say that it has not all been grim lately. Direct action for animal liberation continues, with some important victories. Two prisoners were recently released. The support we have received from other activists has been immensely helpful. And we have received other assistance—a surprise visit by a huge buck and roe, who suddenly appeared in the middle of the city. The deer stopped & stared directly at the SG coordinators, then took off down the road. Incidents such as this give us renewed commitment and courage.

Despite the setbacks, this issue of the magazine WAS published (and almost on time, too!!). Even though all our work on this issue was stolen one week before it was due to be sent to the printers, we were able, through fiercely hard work, to put it together a second time. We hope you enjoy the second issue of *Underground* and welcome your ideas for the third issue (due out in Feb/95). In the meantime stay safe and stay active!

NORTH AMERICAN ANIMAL LIBERATION FRONT SUPPORTERS GROUP

UK A.L.F. PRESS OFFICE REPORT

- by Robin Webb
special to the North American ALFSG

RIDING SHOTGUN FOR THE MOVEMENT?

During August the press office was raided by the police on two occasions; this seems to be a change of tactics from the period of relative calm that had existed in recent months.

The first raid was on Friday 5th August, a few days after the latest battery egg contamination hoax by the Poultry Liberation Organisation which claimed to have placed eggs in Tesco stores throughout the South. It also happened to be the day before NAHC's anti-bloodsport march and rally in London.

Two detectives arrived on my doorstep unannounced during the afternoon to be met with my standard reply along the lines of "No, I won't answer your questions; please contact my solicitor. His name and telephone number is...Thank you." As usual, they left. Later that evening they returned with some Cambridgeshire police and a newly-sworn-out warrant to search for correspondence. Hell hath no fury like a police officer scorned! Clearly, the search was only carried out through vindictiveness. Even the answering and fax machines were taken; they also want to question me and have said they will arrest me to do so if I don't agree voluntarily. Whichever way it goes I still have the right to silence, no thanks to Michael Howard.

Two weeks later, on 19th August, I was in Hove on the South coast to visit a few people in the area. As I went to leave my first visit my car was stopped in TV-drama style by the Special Operations Unit (SOU) from new Scotland Yard who I guess were on a day trip to the seaside. Almost immediately from around the corner came several Sussex police patrol cars appeared from around the corner where it is suggested they had been having a cup of tea.

I can't go into details at this time except to say that David Hammond, who I had just left, and myself have both been charged with offenses relating to a sawn-off double-barrelled shotgun and 22 rounds of ammunition. I have been further charged with possessing ammunition of a different type. Needless to say, both Dave and I are strenuously denying the charges.

We were both held incommunicado until our respective houses were "made secure" (i.e. police arrived to search them). At my little terraced cottage in the sleepy village I call home no less than one unmarked SOU car, 4 patrol cars and 2 police personnel carriers turned up! Turning the house over until midnight on that Fateful Friday they stationed a WPC overnight and came back in force at 9.00 am on Saturday to continue the search. I just hope the Hampshire police haven't got anything they want or it could make things difficult.

In the meantime, Dave and I are out on bail, our current conditions being no communication whatsoever with each other, to reside at our home addresses and to report every day at our respective police stations every day. My additional restriction is that I must not travel further than 20 miles from the centre of Cambridge.

May I take this opportunity to thank the High Court in London for relaxing my bail condition on appeal. I am now allowed to travel more than 20 miles if it is to attend court or to visit my solicitor in London by prior written appointment. On those days I don't have to report to the police station! As you

can imagine, that has made life easier to bear!

A BLATANT APPEAL FOR MONEY - 1

This case is likely to last some time, with the trial not taking place until sometime next year. Our next court appearance is scheduled for 14th November at Brighton and Hove Magistrates Court.

A defense fund has been set up to which donations are invited. Please make cheques/postal orders payable to "Hove Two Defense Fund" and send them c/o BM4400, London, WC1N 3XX, England. For

those with an interest in things nautical I apologize for the unintentional pun in the defense fund title.

A BLATANT APPEAL FOR MONEY - 2

The first time we had to report back to court in answer to bail a number of requests were made by the defense, one of which was to relax or remove my travel restrictions. This was opposed by the prosecution on the grounds that I travel up and down the country appearing on television and speaking at meetings and rallies which could be inciting. As I have never been charged with incitement and appearing on TV seems to have nothing to do with the charges against me I can only assume that this is a



"And I say we go outside and we play with this ball!"

thinly-disguised attempt to close down the press office. However, I can happily deal with the radio, magazines and newspapers by telephone. As for TV, I can travel into Cambridge and link up with any BBC studio in the country from the satellite television studio at BBC Radio Cambridgeshire; for ITV companies throughout the UK the same can be achieved from Anglia TV's Cambridge studios. So, all is not lost.

The real problem comes from not being able to attend meetings, demos, etc. where most of the fund-raising takes place through donations and sale of merchandise. I feel sure that this is another reason for the travel restrictions which have been imposed on me and that the establishment know that their swingeing and unjust actions will financially impede the work of the press office.

So, please don't let them get away with it! I can continue the work of the ALF Press Office but only if the money is there to pay the bills. If you want to see it continue then any fundraising you can do or donations you can offer would be greatly appreciated. Maybe your local group has a bit of spare cash and would like to help...don't forget that the press office is a lawful undertaking and I am a member of the NUJ [National Union of Journalists-ed.] running it as almost any other news agency would be run. Thanks to those who have already begun to rally round by doing anything from car boot sales to coffee mornings.

from UK Press Office report for "Underground"; for Press Office news on actions in Britain, see "Diary of Actions" on the next page.

Report from R@T, a great British anarchist bi-monthly broadsheet with a strong focus on animal/earth liberation and prisoner support:

"Swedish customs/police have confiscated a Blackwidow [slingshot—ed.] that was being sent to Djurens Hamnare. It is alleged that R@T sent the slingshot. One Swedish person was threatened with prosecution over the incident. But there was no real case against them."

For more info, or to subscribe to R@T's editor's new bi-monthly, Eco-Veg@n (R@T is now defunct), write to:

BM HEAL, London WC1N 3XX, England

(This list includes time-periods that were covered in the last issue, where actions not included in the last issue have since been reported.)



BELGIUM

MAR/94: Near Lommel — Thirty-eight dogs that were facing death in dog fights were liberated.

CANADA

(more actions, from Dec 94 - Jul 94, covered in last issue)

FEB 18/94: Victoria, British Columbia - McDonald's: Destroyed by arson; took 6 months to rebuild. This same branch had their windows smashed and walls painted with slogans by the A.L.F. in December 1992.

AUG 8/94: Vancouver, British Columbia - Western Freezer Meats: Locks glued, Van windows smashed, tires slashed. A.L.F.

AUG 9/94: Vancouver, British Columbia — Capilano Furs: Tires slashed, paint-bombed. Speiser Furs: Locks glued, all windows etched. A.L.F.

AUG 10/94: Vancouver, British Columbia — Western Freezer Meats: Locks glued, windows etched, truck tires slashed and windows etched, paint-bombed. A.L.F.

AUG 18/94: North Vancouver, British Columbia — Home-operated fur business: Paint-bombed with red paint, resulting in "extensive cleaning work".

ENGLAND

In England, according to police estimates, an average of five A.L.F. actions happen every day (or night). That does not include the work of the Justice Department, Animal Rights Militia, Hunt Retribution Squad, Poultry Liberation Organization, etc. According to a British newspaper, "Animal rights campaigners have been more active in the past 12 months than any other time in their 18-year history. And none more so than the Animal Liberation Front, which caused £15 million [approx. \$30 million-ed.] worth of damage last year." (*Daily Express*, Aug 25/94) Here are some recent highlights of actions in England. (more actions, from Jan 94- Jul 94, covered in last issue)

JAN 1/94: Heytsbury — Wiltshire & Infantry Beagles: Sabbed--no kills! Bristol, Bath, & Pewsey Vale Hunt Saboteurs

FEB/94: location unspecified — Badger baiter: Attacked by members of the public after appearing on BBC TV.

FEB/94: Southwest — Shoots near Lackham Agricultural College: Pheasant shoot, Duck shoot, and rough shoots successfully sabbed. Lackham runs a game management course. Bath and Bristol Hunt Saboteurs

MAR/94: Cheshire — Hylne Rabbits: Car torched. A.L.F.

MAR/94: Hampshire — Southampton Medical School: 2 rats liberated. A.L.F.

DEVON WEEK, MAR/94: Devon — South West hunts: Hunt sabs successfully sabbed for one week. One sabber was handcuffed to a tree by hunt supporters.

MAR 4/94: Northampton — Bridge Home Farm: 82 hens liberated. Poultry Liberation Organization (P.L.O.)

MAR 4/94: Southampton — Southampton University: Two white rats were rescued in the confusion after fire alarms were set off inside the university during a demonstration/banner hanging by the Students Campaign for Animal Rights.

MAR 5/94: Prees, Shropshire — Thames Valley Eggs: incendiary "planned"; the action had to be aborted at the last minute. Poultry Liberation Organization (P.L.O.)

MAR 14/94: Edgware — Price's Butchers, Hussein's Halal Meat: Front windows smashed; the \$2000+ windows of the Halal shop had only just been replaced from a similar attack 3 weeks previously. A.L.F.

MAR 17/94: Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex — The Egg Store: Small explosive devices placed inside fuel tanks of 4 trucks and outside 2 wooden buildings. Poultry Liberation Organization (P.L.O.)

MAR 24/94: Mobberley, Cheshire — Sovereign Stud Farm: 11 Persian cats in awful condition, some heavily pregnant, liberated. This rescue represented the entire breeding colony of the farm's owner. A.L.F.

APR/94: Essex — A. Tuck and Sons (lab animal breeders): 100 guinea pigs rescued, unit "redecorated" and flooded. Action dedicated to Angie Hamp and Keith Mann. A.L.F. (This action was partially reported in the last *Underground*; since then we have learned more details of the action.)

APR/94: Fareham, Hampshire — Tom Parker Dairies: large vat of milk contaminated with creosote; 50 milk floats have tires slashed, windscreens smashed, wipers pulled off, bodywork paint stripped, and slogans painted. A.L.F.

APR 1/94: Hampshire — At least seventeen animal abuse shops: Sprayed with creosote. A.L.F.

APR 2/94: Charing — Ashford Valley Hunt Secretary: Hoax bomb device left near the Secretary's tent. The biscuit tin had all the elements of a bomb but did not contain explosive; it was removed by Richard Pemble, the hunt joint master, and later detonated by the police, who chastised Pemble for taking the risk of removing the device.

APR 15/94: Garstang, Preston — Barry Crowe Cooked Meats: Every window smashed on one building; 3 vans had tires slashed, body work paint stripped and spraypainted, windows smashed, internal fittings trashed, engines damaged. Over \$20,000 damage. Action dedicated to Keith Mann and Angie Hamp. A.L.F.

MAY/94: Cheshire — Hylyne Rabbits: 30 rabbits liberated. One week later, incendiaries destroy empty sheds. *A.L.F.*

MAY 1/94: Northwest England — Six cats sentenced to death in their "owner"'s will liberated. Strangely enough, the sole beneficiaries of the will were five animal welfare charities. *A.L.F.*

JUN/94: Reading, Berkshire — Meat firm: Device mailed.

JUL/94: Bedfordshire — Two hundred pheasants liberated from pens. *A.L.F.*

JUL/94: Birmingham — Butcher shops: Windows smashed. *A.L.F.*

JUL/94: Bucks — Penn Pharmaceuticals (contracts testing to Wickham Research Labs): Mouse traps primed with razor blades sent. *Justice Department*

JUL/94: Truro, Cornwall — MAFF Wildlife Unit (responsible for trapping and killing badgers): Activists wielding clubs intimidate MAFF staff; slogans painted over front doors of MAFF workers' homes; MAFF workers intimidated in street. "Badgers Not Guilty" painted on A30 flyover.

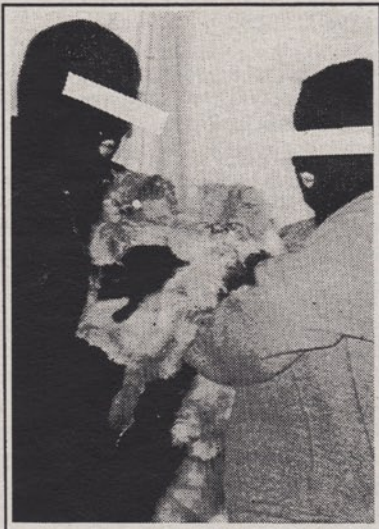
JUL/94: Twyford, Hampshire — Stonegate Farm: 8 vehicles had locks glued, tires slashed, windowscreens smashed, and paint ruined. *A.L.F.*

JUL/94: Hampshire — Tour de France route (British section): Incendiaries placed under police bollards. Action to highlight the live exports between France and Britain.

JUL/94: Oxfordshire — Vivisectionists' conference, Exeter College: 20 activists wearing combat gear and masks entered conference, smashed dining room and shouted slogans. All 5 activists who were arrested were sentenced to community service hours.

JUL/94: Lancashire — Cooper Lancaster Brewers (company dealing with liquidation of Hylyne Rabbits): Letter sent that threatens direct action against all animal abusers' property. *A.L.F.*

JUL 15/94: Hampshire — Mouse traps primed with razor blades sent to: David Walker, owner of Animal Pharmaceutical & Toxicology and former vet at Wickham Research Labs; James Phillips of Froxfield Farms, supplier of animals to vivisection labs; Deborah Dowsett, 50% owner of Garetmar Kennels; Nicola Scarr, 50% owner of Garetmar Kennels; Simon Day of Torbay Farm, breeders for Wickham Research Labs; P. Humphrey of Webb's Poultry and a known hunter; and last but not least William Cartmell, owner of Wickham Research Labs, who "got a little bit extra". *Justice Department*



above: two of the 11 Persian cats rescued by the A.L.F. March 24/94

JUL 15/94: Herts — Roche Products (contracts testing to Wickham Research Labs): Mouse traps primed with razor blades sent. *Justice Department*

JUL 15/94: London — Pitman Moore Ltd (contracts testing to Wickham Research Labs): Mouse trap primed with razor blades sent. *Justice Department*

JUL 15/94: Sussex — Nicholas Fawcett (Chiddingfold, Leconfield & Cowdray hunt): Mouse trap primed with razor blades sent. *Justice Department*

JUL 15/94: Tayside — HMC (Manufacturing chemists that contract testing to Wickham Research Labs): Mouse trap primed with razor blades sent. *Justice Department*

JUL 24/94: North Harrow — Microbiological Lab (56 Northumberland Rd.): Locks glued, windows smashed, paint daubed on walls, 2 vehicles trashed. Homes of two of the lab's employees: Covered in red paint, cars smashed. This is the third attack on this lab in recent months. "The A.L.F. will close this lab and end the suffering of the animals here once and for all...The A.L.F. will close this lab down by any means necessary." (note sent to press) *A.L.F.*

JUL 28/94: Hampshire — Garetmar Kennels: Two speedboats firebombed. *Justice Department*

JUL 28/94: various locations — Hoax letter bombs sent to: Horsley Hunt Kennels (in Droxford); Chiddingfold, Leconfield & Cowdray Hunt Kennels (in Petworth); David Walker, owner of Animal Pharmaceutical & Toxicology (breeds dogs for vivisection) and former vet at Wickham Research Labs; and Nicholas Fawcett, of the Chiddingfold, Leconfield & Cowdray hunt. *Justice Department*

AUG/94: Channel Island — Jersey Zoo: Shop destroyed by fire.

AUG/94: Plymouth, Devon — Boots the Chemist (supports animal testing): Suspect package found. Controlled explosion of package revealed the package contained soft toys.

AUG 4/94: Hampshire — Tesco's: Urgent checks on all eggs in stores across the south of England ordered after claims that battery eggs had been injected with poison. No tampered eggs were found. *Poultry Liberation Organization (P.L.O.)*

AUG 6/94: Great Billing, Northamptonshire — Padbury's livestock haulage company: Twelve powerful firebombs planted. Two truck tractor units, three trailers, two rigid vehicles severely damaged; one of the \$60,000 vehicles completely burnt out. *Justice Department*

AUG 10/94: Oxford — C.H. Brown's saddlery & leather shop, Edinburgh Woolen Mill: Incendiaries caused tens of thousands of dollars damage done to saddlery; minor damage to wool shop. Three other firebombs hidden in two leather shops (Madison's and Westworld) and a fur store (Nurse's) were found and defused after the first firebomb ignited and police ordered other local businesses to allow police to search their premises. According to the UK A.L.F. Press Office, "No reports of anything at Boots but this may have been a deliberate piece of censorship as they have been featured in all of the other attacks." *Animal Rights Militia (A.R.M.)*

AUG 15/94: Torquay, Devon — Co-Op Dairy: Nine trucks covered in paint stripper, tires slashed, painted with slogans, refrigeration units turned off. Four milk floats severely damaged. *A.L.F.*

AUG 22/94: Winsford, Cheshire — Manufacturer of animal traps: Letter bomb sent. The target is also a member of the British Field Sports Society. No official claim; assumed to be the work of the Justice Department. According to the UK A.L.F. Press Officer, "Although JD devices have usually been sent out in waves it is just possible that it is an isolated individual attack. More likely, the 'powers that be' have censored news of the other devices that may have been sent at the same time. The shroud of secrecy on this one incident was so great that even the local media couldn't find out the victims name at the time!"

AUG 22/94: Avon — Myrtle Farm: 50 hens liberated. *A.L.F.*

AUG 24/94: Newport & Ryde, Isle of Wight — In Newport—Boots the Chemist (supports animal testing); in Ryde—Sports and Model Shop (selling leather goods), Suede and Leather Shop, Cancer Research Fund shop: Four incendiaries; over \$4,000,000 damage. Incendiaries at Scotties fishing tackle shop, Halfords motorcycle shop (owned by Boots) were discovered and made safe. *Animal Rights Militia (A.R.M.)*

SEP 11/94: Battlesbridge, Essex — A. Tuck & Sons (breed animals for vivisection): Entire stock of unit, 470 guinea pigs, liberated despite on-site security patrols. Tuck's was raided in April as well. The activists say they "will be back — again and again — until Tuck's closes down."

SEP 16/94: York & Harrogate, Yorkshire — In Harrogate—Boots the Chemist (supports animal testing), Fads DIY store (subsidiary of Boots), Linsley Brother bloodsports shop, Imperial Cancer Research Foundation shop; in York—Boots the Chemist (newly refurbished branch!), Fads DIY store (subsidiary of Boots): Incendiaries ignite. Over \$4,000,000 damages for the fires in both towns. *Animal Rights Militia (A.R.M.)*



SEP 25/94: Huntingdon — Boots the Chemist (supports animal testing), butchers shop: Windows etched.

SEP 25/94: location unspecified — Interfauna animal breeders: Van damaged.

OCT 5 & 6/94: High Wycombe, York, Plymouth, Ronford — Boots the Chemist (supports animal testing): Boots' own-brand formula toothpaste (Freshmint and Original) contaminated with mercury. Samples of contaminated toothpaste with stenciled statements claiming the action were sent to Boots and the media. Certain media outlets received the toothpaste and statements that the police had confiscated all the toothpaste, and "requesting" no coverage by the media. *Animal Rights Militia (A.R.M.)*

**According to a UK A.L.F. Press Office mole,
Boots are losing no less than \$4,000,000 each week
through animal liberation activities.**

OCT 7/94: Treburley, near Launceston (West Country) — One of the largest family owned slaughterhouses in the West Country: Completely gutted by fire; five refrigerated trucks destroyed. Incendiaries placed in three other transporters and a tractor failed to activate. *A.L.F.*

FINLAND

(more actions, from Oct/93 - Dec/93, covered in last issue)

AUG-SEP/94: at least 59 reported A.L.F. actions, including the following:

AUG 19/94: Helsinki — Ten fur stores: Locks glued. *A.L.F.*

AUG 20/94: Mikkeli — Fur store, Shell gas station, Coca-Cola billboard: vandalized with paint. A man was arrested at the scene and was soon released. He now awaits trial.

AUG 23/94: Helsinki — Eight fur stores: Locks glued. *A.L.F.*

AUG 26/94: Helsinki — Six fur stores: Locks glued. Fur store: Locks glued, window smashed, walls spraypainted, advertisement sign torn down from wall. Fur store: 10 windows smashed; according to the report, "A month has passed and the broken windows are still there. This place is going down!" *A.L.F.*

SEP 3/94: Mikkeli — Two fur stores: Locks glued, walls spraypainted. *A.L.F.*

SEP 11/94: Tampere — Three fur stores: Locks glued. Fur store: Locks glued, walls and windows spraypainted. Fur store: Locks glued, walls and windows spraypainted, window smashed. *A.L.F.*

SEP 12/94: Lahti — Two fur stores: Locks glued. Wholesale fur store: 4 locks glued, 5 windows smashed, walls spraypainted with "boycott fur", "fur is murder", and "A.L.F.". Meat factory: Locks of 3 doors glued shut, walls spraypainted. Eight meat trucks: locks glued, 6 trucks spraypainted. *A.L.F.*

FRANCE

MAY/94: Pyrenees — Demonstration against tunnel-building plan that will destroy

the last French bear population turned into direct action as 5000 demonstrators clashed with riot police; activists tore down sheds & fences and threw rocks at the cops as police used tear gas and batons.

GERMANY

(more actions, from Dec/93 - May/94, covered in last issue)

MAR/94: Dortmund — Twelve hunting platforms: Destroyed.

APR/94: Near Hanau — Animal abuser: 24 beagles, 18 rabbits liberated. *Autonome Befreiungsfront*

MAY 9/94: Mecklenburg-Vorpommern — Three hunting platforms: Destroyed.

JUN 15/94: Landkreis Harburg — Three large hunting platforms: Destroyed. Near Weiterstadt — Six hunting platforms: Destroyed.

JUN 21/94: Woods near Bad Soden — Hunting platforms: Every single one destroyed. Each one was worth 4,500 DM. A 5,000 DM reward has been offered for the capture of the activists responsible. *Autonome TierrechtlerInnen*

JUL/94: location unspecified — Braunschweig Zoo: Cash desk destroyed. *Autonome TierschutzeroInnen*

NETHERLANDS

(more actions, from Nov/93 - Dec/93, covered in last issue)

AUG/94: Tsjechian (spelling unclear) — McDonald's: Attacked four times in one week. Activists tried to demolish the branches; according to a McDonald's spokesperson, "just minor damage" was caused. *Animal S.O.S.*

AUG/94: Amsterdam — Frank Govers Shop: Windows smashed for ninth time. According to the report, "the most famous Dutch pro-fur campaigner, 'haute-

couture' designer Frank Govers had to take extra security-measures and rollershutters for his shop in the centre of Amsterdam, because his insurance-company threatened not to compensate damage anymore".

NORTHERN IRELAND

(more actions, from Dec/93 - May/94, covered in last issue)

JUL/94: location unspecified — Family home of Ian Buchanan (joint master of County Down Stagounds): Slogans painted, car covered in paint stripper. A.L.F.

JUL/94: location unspecified — Burger King, Leather Centre: Windows smashed. A.L.F.

JUL/94: location unspecified — Various hunters and pro-hunting groups, including the organizers of the Game Fair (major Irish blood-sports event organized by BFSS & BASC): Postal devices sent.

SPAIN

date and location unspecified — Bullfighter and his chief: Warned to get out of bull fighting or face a possible car bomb attack. *Tierschutzfront*

SWEDEN

(more actions, from Summer/93 - May/94, covered in last issue)

APR 17/94: location unspecified — Restaurant with aquarium in shop window: Spray-painted with slogan "CAPTIVITY KILL". According to the report, it was a "very little aquarium with very big fishes".

MAY 12/94: Gothenburg — Butcher shop: Walls, windows painted. *Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers*

MAY 14/94: Gothenburg — Fur shop: Spraypainted, windows smashed. Same butcher shop as May 12: Re-spraypainted, windows smashed. *Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers*

MAY 19/94: Stockholm — Slaughterhouse district: Two trucks totally destroyed by arson; large fence destroyed to gain access to the trucks. *Djurens Aktions Grupp/Animal Action Group*

MAY 30/94: South Sweden — Fur farm: 100 minks liberated.

JUN 27/94: Stockholm — Butcher shop: Slogans painted, locks glued; this is the 5th time this butcher has been hit. Fur shop: locks glued. *Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers*

JUN 30/94 Stockholm — Södersjukhuset (South Hospital): Forty slogans painted. Södersjukhuset D.B.F. hit #3. *Djurens Befrielse Front (D.B.F.)/A.L.F.*

JUN 30/94: Stockholm — Skansen Zoo: Daubed with slogans such as "ANIMAL PRISON".

JUL/94: Stockholm — Fur shop: Slogans painted. *Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers*

JUL 5/94: Outside Stockholm — SBL (primate research lab): Two expensive computer/electronic locks destroyed. *Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers*

JUL 14/94: Stockholm — Meat shop: Locks glued. *Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers*

JUL 24/94: Stockholm — Södersjukhuset (South Hospital): Anti-vivisection slogans painted. This is the 4th time this hospital has been hit by the D.B.F./

A.L.F. *Djurens Befrielse Front (D.B.F.)/A.L.F.*

JUL 24/94: Stockholm — Fish store: Painted with slogans.

JUL 25/94: location unspecified — Fur shop: Locks glued. *Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers*



JUL 30/94: Stockholm — Fur shop: Syrup poured over furs. *Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers*

END OF JUL/94: Stockholm — Slaughterhouse district: Anti-meat slogans spraypainted on truck. *Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers*

AUG/94: Stockholm — Slaughterhouse district: Factories spraypainted, locks glued. Fur shop: spraypainted, locks glued. *Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers*

SEP/94: location unspecified — Hunting leader: Fell from a hunting platform when the sabotaged floor collapsed. He survived the fall.

SEP 16/94: Stockholm — SCAN (Sweden's biggest meat company): Offices spraypainted. Slaughterhouse district: Locks glued. Meat shop: Spraypainted, locks glued. *Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers*

SEP 24/94: Stockholm — Fur shop, two butcher shops: Locks glued, slogans spraypainted. According to the report, there was "again no name, but this sounds as if it might be Djurens Hamnare."

SEP 24/94: Stockholm — Södersjukhuset (South Hospital): Slogans painted. This is the 5th time this hospital has been hit; although the D.B.F. did not claim this action, the tactics and target are identical to previous D.B.F. actions.

NORTHERN SWEDEN ACTION REPORT

SPRING/94: Umeå, northern Sweden — SCAN (Sweden's biggest meat company): Slogans painted.

MAY 14/94: Umeå, northern Sweden — Meat company: Locks glued.

JUL 21/94: Northern Sweden — Leather shop: Slogans "Wear your own skin", "ALF", "The war has begun" written on shop window.

JUL 23/94: Umeå, northern Sweden — Charko (subsidiary of SCAN, Sweden's biggest meat company): Slogans painted, windows smashed.

AUG 13/14: Umeå, northern Sweden — SCAN (Sweden's biggest meat company): Slogans spraypainted.

SEP/94: Northern Sweden — Hot dog bar: Burned down; "Animal Rights" painted.

SEP 24/94: Umeå, northern Sweden — Three meat trucks: Totally destroyed by arson; "ALF" and "THE WAR HAS BEGUN" written in English.

Neither Djurens Hamnare or the D.B.F. (A.L.F.) have claimed responsibility for any of these actions; according to the Djurens Hamnare Press Officer, "it seems as it is a new group... Now there is direct action groups in 3 places in Sweden". After a bomb exploded at Umeå University (possibly the work of animal liberation activists), the D.B.F. began receiving intense media attention, including an interview with "Expressen", Sweden's biggest newspaper.

D.B.F./A.L.F. PRESS OFFICER REPORT

According to Swedish media an unknown group (not connected to the Swedish A.L.F. - Djurens Befrielse Front) has destroyed three slaughter vehicles by fire.

This happened outside a slaughter house in Umeå (a town in the northern Sweden) in the early morning on Saturday September 24th. Shortly after 2 o'clock in the morning an explosion was heard and three very expensive vehicles was ruined. The damaged was estimated to around 3 million Swedish krona.

During summer other slaughter vehicles at a slaughter house near Skellefteå got their dashboards destroyed.

Also during summer two hot-dog-stand was put to fire in Umeå.

On Sep 29th a short note arrived by mail to Djurens Befrielse Front's press officer, postmarked Umeå but without any name/address, confirming the raid at the slaughterhouse. The note also suggests that this raid was not the last one.

In Sweden around 67 million animals are murdered in slaughter houses each year (cows, sheep, pigs and horses).

After this raid the media went crazy and most of them putting the blame on Djurens Befrielse Front and D.B.F.'s press officer is now waiting for the police and interrogation.

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SWITZERLAND

AUG/94: locations unspecified — Cows and calves liberated. *Tierbefreiungsfront (T.B.F.)*

AUG/94: Stink bombs set off in animal abuse establishments. *Tierbefreiungsfront (T.B.F.)*

AUG 8/94: location unspecified — Rabbit farm: "a lot of rabbits" liberated. *Tierbefreiungsfront (T.B.F.)*



USA

(more actions, from Dec/93 - Jul/94, covered in last issue)

JAN 28/94: San Diego, California — San Diego Meat Company: Two refrigerator trucks, used for delivering meat to restaurants, destroyed by fire. *Farm Animal Revenge Militia (F.A.R.M.)*

JAN 30/94: San Diego, California — San Diego Meat Company: Boarded-over window broken into, building set on fire (flammable liquid splashed around, fire started in two rooms). "FARM", "Meat is Murder" painted at scene. Estimated damages: \$75,000. *Farm Animal Revenge Militia (F.A.R.M.)*

FEB 12/94: Syracuse, New York — Fur store: Bucket of paint thrown on front of shop.

FEB 12/94: Memphis, Tennessee — Hataway Taxidermy: Truck engine damaged. *A.L.F.*

MAR/94: New Jersey — Unspecified actions against animal abusers.

MAR/94: Woodbridge, New Jersey — Fur billboard: Splattered with red paint three times.

MAR 5/94: Memphis, Tennessee — Jack Lewis Furs: Paint-bombed, locks glued. *A.L.F.*

MAR 30/94: Memphis, Tennessee — Jack Lewis Furs: Locks glued. *A.L.F.*

LATE MAR/94: Cleveland, Ohio — Meat packing plant: Broken into, serious damage caused to equipment and supplies. Security cameras filmed the masked activists and



footage was shown on local TV stations; police have questioned local animal rights supporters but have made no arrests. *A.L.F.*

APR/94: Pueblo, California — Animal abuse billboards: Spraypainted.

APR 5/94: San Francisco, California — McDonald's: Slogans spraypainted on walls and smeared on windows with etching cream. *A.L.F.*

MAY/94: Oakland, California — Butchers, fish shops: Attacked. *A.L.F.*

MAY/94: Newtown, Pennsylvania — Ham Sweet Ham: Windows shot out. *A.L.F.*

MAY/94: Southampton, Pennsylvania — Fur store: Windows shot out. *A.L.F.*

MAY 25/94: Santa Cruz, California — University of California Campus: Slogans (including "A.L.F.") spraypainted on building where vivisection takes place. *A.L.F.*

MAY 31/94: Fond Du Lac, Wisconsin — McDonald's (699 S. Military Rd): "Meat is Murder" spraypainted on wall, seven windows shattered by ball-bearings fired from slingshot. A local paper reported a \$700 reward offered by the local police and McDonald's for info on the attackers. *A.L.F.*

JUN/94: Oakland, California — Butcher shop: "A.L.F." etched on windows in very large letters. The shop, located in a crowded shopping district, has visible damage from previous attacks. *A.L.F.*

JUL/94: Olney, Maryland — Boston Chicken: "Meat is Murder" spraypainted on wall, brick thrown through window. *U.S. Congressional Cell, A.L.F.*

JUL/94: Olney, Maryland — KFC: Rock thrown through window. *U.S. Congressional Cell, A.L.F.*

JUL/94: Washington, DC — Jennifer Leather (1-800-JENNIFER): Ad displayed in the metro subway station destroyed. *U.S. Congressional Cell, A.L.F.*

JUL 10/94: Little Rock, Arkansas — Honeybaked Ham: window shot out with ball bearing. *A.L.F.*

JUL 11/94: Little Rock, Arkansas — Spector Furs: Paint-bombed, locks glued. *A.L.F.*

JUL 21/94: San Francisco, California — Pacific Cafe: Windows etched, including with slogan "Lobster Liberation". According to Ross Warren, owner of the restaurant, approximately four months ago his windows were etched (no slogans or legible words), and a month later a man called asking if the restaurant sold live lobsters; when Warren replied "no" the man said killing lobsters was cruel and hung up. Warren also told the newspaper that the morning after the cafe was hit, a man called and said "We hit your place last night. We are the Crustacean Liberation Front. We're protesting your sale of live lobsters. Stop serving live lobsters." According to Warren, The Pacific Cafe sold live lobsters for three weeks in March but stopped because customers were not buying. *Crustacean Liberation Front (C.L.F.)*

JUL 29/94: Madison, Wisconsin — Two pro-animal exploitation billboards: Cut down and spraypainted. According to one news report, one adult and 2 minors were arrested for one of the billboards; we are still trying to get details.

AUG/94: Washington, DC — Jennifer Leather (1-800-JENNIFER): Ad displayed in the metro subway station destroyed. *A.L.F., U.S. Congressional Cell*

AUG/94: Washington, DC — DC-101 Annual Championship Barbecue: Ad "with two happy dancing pigs" (from *A.L.F. communiqué*) in the metro subway station destroyed. *A.L.F., U.S. Congressional Cell*

AUG/94: location unspecified — County fair: Starving, emaciated goat liberated and "is now happily and healthily living on a spacious farm". (from *F.A.R.M. communiqué*) *Farm Animal Revenge Militia (F.A.R.M.)*

AUG/94: Oshkosh, Wisconsin — Pet store: Persian cat liberated. Three teenagers were arrested several days later. One of the arrestees told police "he took the cat because he is an animal rights activist and didn't want the cat caged against its will". The cat was turned over to the Humane Society pending notification of the "owner".

AUG/94: Memphis, Tennessee — Goldsmiths department store (sells fur): Windows smashed 4 times. *A.L.F.*

AUG 6/94: Memphis, Tennessee — Jack Lewis Furs: Paint-bombed, locks glued. *A.L.F.*

AUG 25/94: Memphis, Tennessee — Jack Lewis Furs: Paint-bombed. *A.L.F.*

AUG 31/94: Memphis, Tennessee — Factory farm: Pigs liberated. *A.L.F.*

SEP 4/94: Memphis, Tennessee — McDonald's, KFC: Windows smashed. Fur Fashions of Memphis: Locks glued. Goldsmith's department store (sells furs): spraypainted, windows smashed, truck tires slashed, truck windshield broken, locks glued. *A.L.F.*

SEP 17/94: New York City, New York — Billy Martin Leather: Paper clips and glue in 2 locks. Ballys: Paper clip and glue in one lock. Limited: Paper clip and glue in main lock. Elizabeth Arden: Paper clip and glue in main lock. Rubin Furs: Display window defaced with glass cutter. *A.L.F.*

SEP 18/94: Beverly Hills, California — Beverly Hills Fur Company: Display windows smashed. "Every fur store in the area has now had some action performed against them. More to come." (from *A.L.F. communiqué*) *A.L.F., November 26 Cell*

OCT 18/94: Sebastopol, California — Jose LaCalle (chinchilla rancher facing charges of killing chinchillas with genital electrocution; forensic psychologist; co-owner of Bella Chinchilla International in Freestone, CA): Office spraypainted with anti-fur slogans.

WALES

SUMMER/94: location unspecified — Mink hunters: Regularly sabbed.

4-Hers get animal-rights brochures

GILROY, Calif. (AP) — Young 4-H Club members who raise livestock say they're used to animal-rights protests at county fairs. But they're shaken by anonymous mailings of anti-meat brochures sent to their homes.

"I feel kind of violated. ... It isn't right for them to have my address," said club member Melanie Coffman, 16.

Nearly 100 children in southern Santa Clara County involved in 4-H farm programs received the pamphlets this week. The mailings, sent from San Jose with no return address, were addressed to the young club members and contained brochures with pictures of farm animals and text condemning the use of animals for food.

The pamphlet asks, "Would you kill your buddy?"

Aug 12/94

WAS IT DIRECT ACTION FOR ANIMAL LIBERATION?

MAY 10/94: Burlington, Vermont, USA — Carolina Biological Supply Company: A fire in a chemical storage building at the company's Burlington campus forced the evacuation of 1000 workers and residents for fear of toxic chemicals being released. Carolina Biological is one of the USA's largest suppliers of animals for dissection in school and research labs, and animal rights groups have actively campaigned against the company. According to the newspaper report, fire investigators are certain the fire was deliberately started, but "there has been no indication that animal rights people have been involved in it."
- info from "Alamance Bureau", July 28/94

MID JUL/94: Miami, Florida, USA — Thirty-three baby cynomolgous (aka Asian crab-eating) monkeys, due to be sold for animal research when they reached the age of two, were stolen from Matthew Block, primate dealer and animal lab supplier. We erroneously reported in the last issue that this was an animal liberation; it is actually not clear whether this was an animal liberation or a theft for profit. Block says he does not believe the theft was the work of animal liberation activists because the action has not been claimed. Block is one of the USA's largest primate dealers and one of the few abusers ever sentenced for his actions. In 1993 he was sentenced to 13 months for international orangutan smuggling; he originally plead guilty but then withdrew his plea, and is now free pending his appeal.
- information from "Miami Herald", July 11/94

NO DATES SPECIFIED: Holland, various locations — Amsterdam Airport: fire started as protest of expansion of the airport. Hundreds of cars trashed (229 destroyed in a single action). Hunting platforms destroyed. Oil exploration equipment wrecked. According to the Dutch government, all these recent actions have happened because of British eco-terrorists who have crossed the North Sea. *Earth Liberation Front*

NO DATES SPECIFIED: Russia, around Kaliningrad — Seven bulldozers: Trashed. *Radical Brigades for Ecological Defence*

LATE AUG/94: USA, near Santa Fe, New Mexico — Albuquerque Asphalt paving operations on the Las Campanas subdivision: Shut down for 3-4 days when heavy-equipment machines worth \$500,000 - \$700,000 was damaged. Two front-end loaders were used simultaneously to cause the following damage: \$250,000-\$500,000 16-ton paving machine rolled on its back and destroyed; \$80,000 - \$100,000 steel-wheel roller machine flipped over on its side and destroyed; \$25,000 water truck destroyed by the cab being smashed in; pneumatic rubber machine damaged but possibly salvageable.

info from "Earth First! Journal", Mabon 1994, & R@bbix

JUL 19 or 20/94: Mohawk Nation, North America — Vandals cut a 10-foot hole in netting and allowed about 8000 trout fingerlings to swim away into the St. Lawrence River, ruining a fish farming program at the St. Regis (in what is known as northern New York, near Canadian border) Mohawk Nation, according to a Mohawk official. Estimated damage and loss of fish was \$10,000.
- info from "New York Times", July 31/94

EARLY SEP/94: Umeå, Northern Sweden — Three people were injured when a bomb exploded in the Chemistry Department at Umeå University. Mice are used at the university and Umeå has been the site of many animal liberation actions in the last six months. According to the press officer for Djurens Hamnare/Animal Avengers, "I do not think it was AR-people because it was in the chemistry department. The police up there in Umeå say they have asked 10 people about this action, but it is a lie!"

SEP 6/94: Abbotsford, British Columbia, Canada — Arson destroyed the McClary family's rear stock-yard barn. The hundreds of animals that would normally be kept in the barn for grading and auction were not in the barn, as the long weekend resulted in a postponement of the auction. The four horses and two cows that were in the barn were freed before the fire consumed the building. This arson is one of a recent string of arsons in the Abbotsford-Matsqui area; none of the other fires were animal-related.
- "Vancouver Sun"

OCT 31/94: Duncan, British Columbia, Canada — A pipe bomb exploded at the Running With Eggs poultry farm (1700 Herd Rd). Glass was smashed but there were no injuries. Approximately \$300 damage was caused.
- "Times-Colonist", November 1/94

EARTH/ANIMAL LIBERATION DIRECT ACTION

EARTH WEEK, APR 1-7/94: Germany

Bremen — Meat company: Vehicles burned; 250,000 DM damage. *Okoguerilla Norddeutschland*

Frankfurt — McDonald's: Toilets blocked. *Autonome KamperInnen*

Leer/Ostfriesland — CDU-Zentrale: Windows smashed, powerful stinkbomb thrown in. *an Autonome Gruppe*

Muenster — Hunting platforms: Wrecked. Butcher shops: Windows smashed. Thousands of DM damage.

EARTH NIGHT, JUN 21/94: Germany, near Frankfurt — Dredgers: Destroyed. According to a letter sent to a German animal liberation group, the dredgers were destroying a wood that was in the way of urban expansion, thereby destroying animals, plants and a whole ecological system. The destruction of the dredgers was a "show of resistance...More is to be expected." *Autonome Befreiungsfront*

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE — MAKE EVERY WEEK EARTH WEEK

The Earth Liberation Front, Germany, has declared Oct. 31 through Nov. 6, 1994, an International Action Week. We want to stop the development that leads to nothing. We don't think that the ruling class will give up their role or their way of destruction. We don't believe that the industry will search for or find an antidote for a single one of its poisons. Disrespectful behavior and exploitation of the environment—mainly by the imperialist industrial nations—is responsible for the imminent breakdown of all cycles of life. The consequences would be without example in the history of planet earth. But even today humanity suffers punishment for its attempts to control nature, in the form of deteriorating quality of life, famines, innumerable illnesses, etc. Unfortunately innocent animals and humans who are not to blame become the first victims of the senseless destruction. This makes it even more important to act now. All over the world people are just beginning to search for appropriate answers. Targets of sabotage have stretched right across the spectrum. Last November and April, earth-trashing projects, companies and organizations were hit, even those which force us into material dependence on their money. This system tells us to take responsibility, when in fact we're facing an inheritance of ravages and poisons. That's why we will liberate ourselves and the earth from it. Any action should not endanger life, only property. Please document your actions. Send details to either:

The Verge, Postbox 92066, 1090 AB Amsterdam, Netherlands

E.B.O., c/o Kopierladen M99, Nanteuffelstr. 96,
10997 Berlin, Germany

even though we know that unless all forms of oppression are destroyed, animal liberation cannot be a reality even though we know small victories are not enough no victory for animal liberation is too small to mention

ONE STEP CLOSER TO

ARGENTINA: AIRLINES REFUSE TO TRANSPORT MONKEYS

Argentinian airlines is refusing to transport monkeys for experimentation. - "Arkangel" #12, Tierbefreiung Aktuell June 94

CANADA: ELEPHANT PROMO AT SKI RESORT NOT REPEATED

In the winter of 1993, ARK II activists crashed a publicity stunt at Dagmar Ski Resort in Ashburn, Ontario. Angus, an African elephant, was being pulled backwards by approximately 100 people on a snow slope. Just as his "opponents" began pulling Angus backwards, an amplified voice was heard saying "wild animals belong in the wild". Thanks to the resulting chaos, the advertising stunt was cut short. A letter writing campaign ensued. This year, Dagmar did not repeat the elephant tug-of-war advertising gimmick. - ARK II's newsletter "The Activist", Summer 94

CANADA: AIR CANADA PULLS PATÉ

After learning how foie gras producers force-feed ducks and geese, Air Canada announced it will no longer serve the pâté on any of its flights. Virgin Atlantic Airlines (a British company) and Swiss Air made similar announcements. - "Arkangel" #12, "Animal Times" June/July 94

ENGLAND: MEAT AND LIVESTOCK TRADES GOES DOWN

The Meat and Livestock Commission closed the Taunton and Bury St. Edmunds regional offices, the abattoir design services, and meat industry management services. Wadebridge Quality Meats, a North Cornwall abattoir with a throughput of 100 bullocks, 400 pigs, and 400 sheep per week, has closed. - "Arkangel" #12, "Meat Trades Journal" Jan 27/94

ENGLAND: FERRIES DISCONTINUE LIVESTOCK TRANSPORT

Brittany Ferries, P&O, and Stena Sealink have announced that they would stop carrying live animals for slaughter in Europe, "because of fears over the suffering caused." (not to mention being repeatedly targeted by animal liberation activists) According to P&O, unless there is an imminent prospect of improved European Union standards they will stop carrying live animals as of October. Brittany ceased carrying livestock on August 22. Stena was expected to announce an immediate ban on carrying live animals for fattening or slaughter, going one step further than P&O or Brittany. - "Arkangel" #12

ENGLAND: BRITAIN'S LARGEST HUNTING FESTIVAL CANCELLED

The 1994 Northumberland Beagling Festival, after being targeted for 7 years by hunt sabbers, announced its cancellation. According to Stephen Loveridge, spokesperson for the British Field Sports Society (BFSS), "The main reason it was cancelled is because over the last few years saboteurs have targeted it considerably." - "HOWL" #55



ISRAEL: FUR STORE CLOSES

After pickets and leafletting by a new animal rights organization, "Anonymous", Tel Aviv's Chinchilla Furs closed. The fur trade in Israel consists of 13 remaining shops, supported almost completely by the tourist trade. For more information, contact: Anonymous, PO Box 6315, Tel Aviv, 61062, Israel. - "UK ALFSG Newsletter"

SWEDEN: DJURENS AKTIONERS GRUPP SETS BACK MEAT TRADE

As reported in the last issue, in May, Djurens Aktions Grupp (Animal Action Group) set fire to a number of meat trucks owned by Scan, Sweden's largest meat company. Damage was estimated at \$180,000. Since then the Swedish meat traders have claimed, in their own publication, that it will take six months to build the replacement trucks, resulting in a "break" in the production and selling of meat. - R@bbix, Djurens Hamnare

UGANDA: BABY CHIMPS RESCUED FROM CIRCUS

Following an inspection four baby chimpanzees were confiscated from the Akef Egyptian Circus. The chimps will either go to a new 100 acre chimpanzee sanctuary in Kenya or be integrated into a family group in an established sanctuary near Lake Victoria.

USA: GREAT AMERICAN MEATOUT CAMPAIGN SHOWS SUCCESS

From its inception in 1985, the Great American Meatout has grown rapidly to become one of the nations' largest grass-roots public interest campaigns. Over 30 million Americans have now explored a meatless diet. National beef and veal consumption have dropped by 30 and 70 % respectively. - "Arkangel" #12, Great American Meatout 94

USA: MINK RANCH CLOSES

McArthur Mink Ranch in Wisconsin has gone out of business. - "Arkangel" #12, "Militant Vegan" Jan 94

USA: LOBSTER RELEASED

Concerned citizens in Sacramento, California persuaded a restaurant owner to part with a 126-year old lobster so it could be released back into the sea. - "Arkangel" #12, "Ceefax" Mar 21/94

USA: NUMBER OF SCHOOLS REQUIRING MED STUDENTS TO VIVISECT DROPS

The University of Nevada-Reno no longer insists that medical students carry out animal



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even though we know that unless all forms of oppression are destroyed, animal liberation cannot be a reality even though we know small victories are not enough no victory for animal liberation is too small to mention

experiments as part of their training, meaning there are now only 2 US medical schools that require animal experimentation. - "Arkangel" #12

USA: UC'S "SURPLUS" BEAGLES REHOMED, NOT KILLED

After a campaign by animal protection organizations, the University of California at Davis allowed 177 "surplus" lab beagles to be rehomed instead of killing them for use in dissection. - "Arkangel" #12, "Civil Abolitionist" Spring 94

USA: WHALE IMPORT PREVENTED

The Animal and Environmental Defense Association and Earth Island Institute successfully prevented the import (into the U.S.) of four false killer whales (smaller than orcas) from Japan to Indianapolis Zoo, after the zoo was unable to prove the whales were not imported through the Japanese drive fisheries method. - "Arkangel" #12

USA: CIRCUS DROPS ELEPHANT ACTS

Circus Vargas has redesigned its show to feature people instead of animal acts after the Elephant Alliance produced video evidence of the elephant abuse taking place there. - "Arkangel" #12

USA: BOURGIE DESIGNERS STOP USING FUR

America's most popular woman designer, Donna Karan, joined Calvin Klein and Anne Klein in dropping the use of fur in designs. - "Arkangel" #12

USA: THE FUR INDUSTRY IS DYING

"From Alaska to Maine the numbers of those trapping, fur hunting and buying fur has plummeted to the lowest level yet recorded." - "The Trapper" Feb/94, as in "Dressed in Black" #1

USA: PLASTICS INDUSTRY STARTS SWITCH FROM TALLOW TO VEGGIE OILS

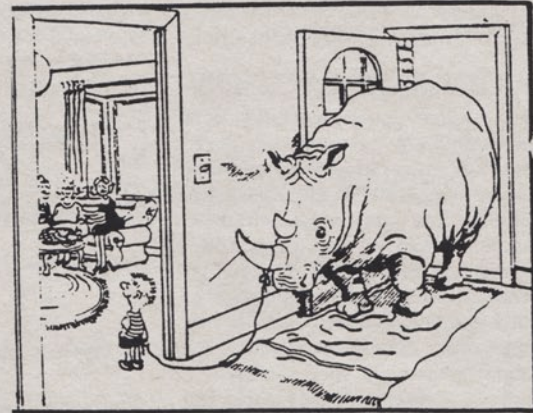
Most plastic food packaging includes ingredients called release agents, which come from tallow (animal fat). Rabbi Jonah Gewirtz has been leading a campaign to get the animal fat out of the packaging on the grounds that the tallow leaches into food, contravening dietary codes of some Jewish, Islamic, Seventh-day Adventist, and vegetarian groups. In response to the campaign, in June 1994 Solvay Polymers (Deer Park, Texas) began the switch to an animal-free plastics-making process that uses palm and cottonseed oils. Solvay has promised to make the new process available to the entire plastics industry. This is Gewirtz's second victory: three years ago he successfully led the campaign that persuaded every North American steel company to discontinue using animal-based ingredients. - "Vegetarian Times" Nov/94

WALES: OSTRICH FARM STOPPED

The campaign (organized by South Wales animal rights group FAUNA) to stop an ostrich farm from being set up at Penmark in the Vale of Glamorgan persuaded local Councillors to vote against planning permission for the farm. Council had previously given the go ahead to ostrich farm planner Frank Lister, but after receiving detailed letters from FAUNA and a leaflet demo at the meeting at which the decision was due to be ratified, various councillors spoke out against the proposal. - "Turning Point" #31

NOW THAT'S WHAT I CALL JUSTICE...

Texas Judge Michael Peters ordered that a man convicted of cruelly starving a dog be fed only bread and water during his prison sentence, "so he'll know in some small measure what his dog went through". - "Arkangel" #12



That's nice, dear. And what does your 'Animal Liberation Club' do?

ENGLAND: HYLNE RABBITS CLOSES

On June 27, 1994 Hylyne Rabbits Ltd. and Coney Europa Ltd both went into voluntary liquidation. Edwin Sutton, Hylyne Director (phone 011-44-925-756737), said "You can't keep looking for bombs under cars". Hylyne has been repeatedly targeted by the A.L.F. and other animal liberation groups. In 1993, Hylyne received a Justice Department letter bomb, and in May 1993, an inflatable boat was used to rescue 80 rabbits, including nursing mothers with their young. In May 1994 ALF liberated 30 Hylyne rabbits, and a week later incendiaries were placed in all sheds. At the time of their closure Hylyne had 600 remaining rabbits. The RSPCA distributed 60 rabbits to animal homes (claiming 60 rabbits was "all they could manage"); the rest went to labs and other breeders. The A.L.F. sent a warning about what these other animal abusers could expect. On July 22 the Animal Liberation Investigative Unit (A.L.I.U.) visited Hylyne. There were no rabbits, but many documents that contained "lots of juicy stuff". All the documents were photocopied and returned. - R@bbix, A.L.I.U., A.L.F., "UK ALFSG Newsletter", "Merseyside Daily Post" June 29/94

Hylyne's Press Release

Due to recent severe fire bomb and parcel bomb attacks on Hylyne Rabbit Farm at Lymm, Cheshire the company has been forced to cease trading and go into liquidation. The company has no desire to subject its staff and families to further fear of harm and harassment.

Several recent attacks have destroyed staff vehicles, burnt down rabbit breeding and nursery units and in the most recent incident caused severe problems with new born baby rabbits and lactating females. Many rabbits have been stolen.

Hylyne Rabbits Ltd. have become known world wide for the development of modern rabbit farming technology improvements in housing standards, animal health and environmental enrichment. Visitors from all over the World have visited the modern rabbit maternity facility at Lymm and attending training courses held at the farm.

The business was founded in 1955 with a capital of 30p [sic] has traded world wide more than once being considered for export achievement awards.

...Coney Europa Ltd the associated rabbit marketing company has also been placed in liquidation as their housing has also been burnt down only months after complete refurbishment.

Ends.

27 June 1994

Further information from Edwin Sutton 0925 756737

information from "Live Wild Or Die!" #4; originally from "CIA Field Expedient Incendiary Manual", published by Desert Publications, Cornville, AZ 86325.

NOTE: The following is for entertainment only.

A FEW WORDS OF CAUTION

As with all direct action, a good rule of thumb is to keep it simple. Avoid the temptation to build the elaborate devices described in many manuals. The more complicated your device is, the more room for error. You want to use something that you can be fairly certain will work (barring flash flood, alien intervention, etc.) and does not rely on tricky mechanisms. It is crucial to test any devices or mechanisms in a practice situation, under similar conditions to those you will be encountering in the action. Think about temperature, wind, time factors, etc. Make sure you know what you are doing and are comfortable with all elements of your device. Also anticipate what may go wrong and plan on how to deal with it.

Fire is a potentially dangerous tool. Think carefully about the potential risk to any beings (critters, you, or any other humans) and set the action up so there is minimal risk—keeping in mind that with fire, you can never make sure there will be no risk, so use it carefully!

In terms of security, it is not wise to leave items at the site thinking that the fire will destroy them. Your incendiary may not ignite, or may only partially ignite, or the fire may not be hot enough to completely destroy all evidence. As with other actions, carry your tools away from the site and then dispose of them. Be careful! No evidence!!

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Incendiary: a material or mixture of materials that, when used against wood, straw, rags, paper, or other combustible, will burn with enough heat and flame to be sure of starting a fire. Examples: gasoline, fuel oil, napalm. OR the term "incendiary" may be used to refer to materials that can be used to melt, cut, or weld metals, eg. thermite.

Igniter: a material which will start an incendiary burning. The most straight-forward igniter is a match. Sometimes other kinds of igniters may be needed—eg. sugar-chlorate, or "fire fudge".

Delay: a device used to delay ignition of the incendiary, making it possible to be away from the scene of the fire when it starts.

Sulfuric acid actuated: "actuation" refers to the chemical process that results in ignition. So if something is sulfuric acid actuated, when sulfuric acid touches it, it will ignite. Some igniters (usually the more complex chemical ones) are water actuated.

For more information on simple delays, igniters, and incendiary devices, read "The Power is Ours: A Manual on Saving the Earth and the Animals", "Interviews with A.L.F. Activists" (both available from the NA-ALFSG), and "Ecodefense" (available from the "EF! Journal", PO Box 1415, Eugene, OR 97440 USA).

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SEA SHEPHERDS LEGAL UPDATE

On March 24/94, Captain Paul Watson was tried on six counts of the Canada Shipping Act. he was fined \$5,000 and his former ship the "Cleveland Amory" was fined \$30,000 in connection with a high seas incident with a Cuban-registered factory trawler on the Grand Banks of Newfoundland. In anticipation of the ruling against the "Cleveland Amory", Watson sold the ship in September 1993; he cannot be legally held responsible for fines against a ship he no longer owns.

Captain Paul also faces a judge & jury trial for three counts of Mischief stemming for the same incident. A trial date has not yet been set. If found guilty, he could be sentenced to life in prison on two counts and ten years on the third count.

Paul Watson Legal Defence Fund
c/o Sea Shepherds
PO Box 48466 Vancouver, BC,
V7X 1A2 Canada 604-688-SEAL
info from *Ark II Activist*, Summer '94

GRAND JURY UPDATES

At this time, there are at least three active grand juries (in Washington, Oregon, and Michigan) allegedly investigating A.L.F.'s 1991-1992 "Operation Bite Back" actions the fur industry. So far, at least eight grand juries have questioned approximately 60 people about these actions. Four people were jailed for over 5 months for refusing to testify before the grand jury in Spokane, WA. Although Rod Coronado was supposedly the target of these grand juries, Rod's arrest and subsequent incarceration has not put an end to the harassment of activists by grand juries in the USA.

According to Beth Fries' attorney Larry Weiss, federal authorities plan to serve Fries with a new subpoena to appear before the grand jury in Portland, Oregon. According to Weiss, the assistant US Attorney in Portland has said that Beth Fries is neither a target nor a suspect of the grand jury investigations. Beth was once a staff member at the Sea Shepherd Conservation Society, where Rod worked. She was originally supposed to appear before the Portland grand jury in June 1994, but the subpoena was delayed and then dropped after Weiss petitioned the government for information as to whether Beth was subjected to wiretap surveillance. Marsh later ordered federal law enforcement to prove whether it tapped any telephone lines Beth regularly used. If the government had produced evidence showing it had illegally tapped phone lines, then no new subpoena would have been issued.

The Portland Grand Jury's subpoena of PeTA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals)'s financial records was dropped after a request for wiretap information similar to Beth Fries' request. The grand jury was allegedly looking for payments from PeTA to Rod Coronado. Kym Boyman, a former assistant to PeTA Chair Ingrid Newkirk, was subpoenaed and appeared before the federal Grand Jury in Michigan in late October.

information from "Coronado arrest doesn't stop grand juries' investigations", in *'Moscow-Pullman Daily News'*, Nov 8/94

statement and poem from "South Africa—A Different Kind of War", ed. Julie Frederikse

FORMER SECURITY DETAINEE WHO REFUSED TO SERVE AS A STATE WITNESS

Unless you've thrashed through this issue before you get detained, there's no way you can work it out for yourself inside. There's the problem that once your interrogators tell you they want you as a state witness, there is a sort of feeling of relief: 'Whew! I'm not going to be in the accused box.' Whereas before, you were the detainee, and they're hammering you, now you've actually got a bit of leverage behind you because they need you as a state witness.

Fortunately, I had dealt with the issue before, and I had told people outside before I'd been picked up, that if I was ever called to be a witness I wouldn't do it. So in a sense it was off my chest, knowing that the people outside, whom I couldn't communicate with, at least knew that was the position I was going to take. But then you have to start gearing yourself for a prison sentence. Because you know then that it won't be just a few weeks till you're out, but it'll be a few years—that's the kind of sentence you get these days for refusing to testify, and it will probably get worse and worse.

Not that I didn't go through doubts. It seemed that they had found so much on the accused, in terms of evidence, that I really didn't see that they needed me as a witness. So that led me to thinking, well, they've actually got it in for me and they want to intimidate me at this point. And then, of course—I'm sure everybody thinks it—I'd think, one person is going to jail anyway, so why should two go? I'd think, maybe I would be more effective outside; if I'm stuck in jail, I can't make any contribution at all—so that's another reason to cave in and testify. But I'd keep coming back to the principal of the thing. It would be such a betrayal of whoever you worked with. I mean, you have to be able to assume that people are going to refuse to give evidence when you do political work with somebody, because that's the basic minimum of trust that you have to develop. And then there's also the fact that to be a state witness you're giving evidence for a state that we actually regard as being illegitimate anyway, because it doesn't represent the people. So to be a state witness would be to just totally sell out your principles and those of the people you worked with.

But maybe the most important to me is the personal aspect. I knew that I was in a far more advantageous position to serve a prison sentence than a lot of other people who would also choose to refuse. I had no dependents, I was young, I was healthy, I had a whole life ahead of me, and a four or five year prison sentence was not going to kill me. I mean, if I wasn't prepared to make a small sacrifice, who would be? And, of course, my personal relationship with the accused was a big factor. I can't imagine how he feels about the people who did give evidence against him, because of the betrayed trust. I mean, for one of your friends to stand up in court and contribute to your prison sentence! You just don't do that to people who are involved in the same struggle as you, the same cause, who are your friends.

INFORMER

by Nhlanhla Paul Maake

happy birthday
star of the auction
black
born in the ghetto
bred in the brick
and mortar pillars

who can forget
your ubiquitous
ear
that can hear
whispers in a
tremor

none
so dull as
to miss your forked
eyes
that cut through the dark
to look at things
they cannot
see

perverted seller
of human
souls
diseased with deceit

feet
nimble with tales
and mouth talented
in lies

in darkness
your shadow
becomes blacker than
blackness
while your purchased soul
remains pale

suggested reading:

Agents of Repression: FBI Attacks on the Black Panthers and the American Indian Movement, Ward Churchill and Jim Vander Wall. Boston: South End Press, 1988.

COINTELPRO Papers, Ward Churchill and Jim Vander Wall. Boston: South End Press, 1989.

Break-ins, Death Threats and the FBI: The Covert War Against the Central America Movement, Ross Gelspan. Boston: South End Press, 1991.

War at Home: Covert Action Against U.S. Activists and What We Can Do About It, Brian Glick. Boston: South End Press, 1989.

back issues of the *Earth First! Journal*, 1989-1994: information on the Arizona 5 (particularly issues between 1989-1991), Grand Juries (particularly 1992-1994), and the bombing of Judi Bari/Darryl Cherney (1990 onward).

DEALING WITH POSSIBLE INFORMANTS / INFILTRATORS

Dear readers,

Recently, we received a letter which caused much discussion, and after a lot of thought we decided the best way to handle it (since it was not marked for publication) would be to publish a summary of the letter in order to give some context to our response. So here goes: The letter named a specific person who was reportedly asking too many questions. The writer asked us to stop sending any information or publications to this person. This is our response:

Dear ALFSG supporter,

Your letter troubled us deeply and we felt it was important enough to publish and respond to. I offered to do it, as I have had several years experience dealing with issues around infiltration/frame-ups through my work in different groups that have come under police scrutiny.

Firstly, we believe that security and safety of A.L.F. activists must be our #1 priority and we would hope that we never do anything to jeopardize that security. If you are as concerned about your safety as you express in your letter, then we must take it seriously. However, your request poses several problems for us. Unmasking infiltrators is a very treacherous process and must be done very carefully.

We have discussed at length the ramifications of denying people subscriptions to *Underground* or membership to the NA-ALFSG, and the greater issues of security and infiltration. At this point, we do not see how sending any of the information the NA-ALFSG distributes, including this magazine, is a threat to anyone's security. This magazine, like all other literature we distribute, is completely public; it is sold in bookstores. Similarly, we do not see how responding to a letter could in any way jeopardize anyone's security. We never reveal any personal information about any of the NA-ALFSG members in letters to other members, and we do not reveal any personal information about ourselves in response to inquiries about the NA-ALFSG.

As I mentioned at the beginning of this letter, I have had some experience dealing with infiltrators (known and suspected), police informants, and the like. I have also been accused of being an infiltrator due to people's suspicion of my eagerness to become involved in different groups. Through these experiences I have developed a system that I use to deal with the very real threat of police infiltration. Hopefully these ideas will help you develop a system for yourself that you feel comfortable with.

1) *Keep a careful log of your interactions with the person you are suspicious of.* Write down as many details as possible, as close to the exact wording as possible. Focus on questions that s/he asked or other aspects of her/his behaviour that disturb you.

2) *Challenge behaviour that disturbs you rather than challenging the motives behind the behaviour.* Use the log you have kept to bring up specific examples rather than broad generalizations—saying "I was uncomfortable when you said ___ the other day" lets the person know that you are paying attention, whereas broad generalizations are easily shrugged off as paranoia. For example, in your case, tell this woman that you are not comfortable with her asking you about your friends and their addresses when you hardly know her.

She may indeed be an infiltrator; or she may just be doing something inappropriate with totally benevolent motives. You will probably never know. It is the behaviour that threatens your security, not her motives behind it.

3) *Do not reveal any personal or political information that you feel could be used against you or others.* Some of us are more public about our lives than other, more private folks. You are never under any obligation to provide information about yourself or others, and this can be avoided in a respectful, low-key way simply by saying "I'd rather not discuss that right now". If you are a serious target of the police, your phone will be tapped and there may be surveillance devices in your home/car/personal belongings. However, most of us are NOT under this

intense a level of scrutiny and it is not practical to be 100% secret about your life. Consider what could reasonably be used against you (personally and politically) and develop clear boundaries around who you share that information with. Remember that infiltrators can only use what they are given. We can squash their efforts by not giving them what they want. Do not be naive about this, though—read about Mike Fain and the Arizona 5 (old issues of the *Earth First! Journal* are excellent) for an example of how special agents are trained to use people's soft spots to build trust and distract from inconsistencies or questionable behaviour.

4) *If the person persists with the behaviour that you are uncomfortable with, let the person know you do not want to have contact with them in the future.* Again, be as specific and low-key as possible. There's no need to give the person any reason to suspect that you are freaked out about the possibility of them being an informer—it is counterproductive to make them think you have something to hide. Remember that you are never under ANY obligation to work or associate with people who make you uncomfortable, for personal or political reasons—this can be done in a respectful way that does not breed rumour and dissension.

5) *Avoid calling anyone an infiltrator, police informant, etc. unless you are absolutely sure that is their motive, based on hard evidence beyond your own suspicions.* Accusations of this nature can totally destroy a movement as mistrust and division causes internal conflict and splits. Share information with other activists in terms of what *specific* behaviour disturbed you. Trained infiltrators are experts at using suspicion and fear to destroy movements.

6) *Trust your instincts and pay attention.* Peg Millett, in a recent speaking engagement, said these are two of the most important things to do, and that she knew that there was something wrong with Mike Fain but did not trust her instincts and stopped paying attention to inconsistencies in his behaviour.

7) *If someone confesses to being an informant or infiltrator, try to get as much information about them as quickly as possible.* Photos are extremely useful. Send this information to the NA-ALFSG., the *Earth First! Journal*, or anyone else who could publicize it within the movement. **ONLY DO THIS IF YOU ARE 100% SURE**

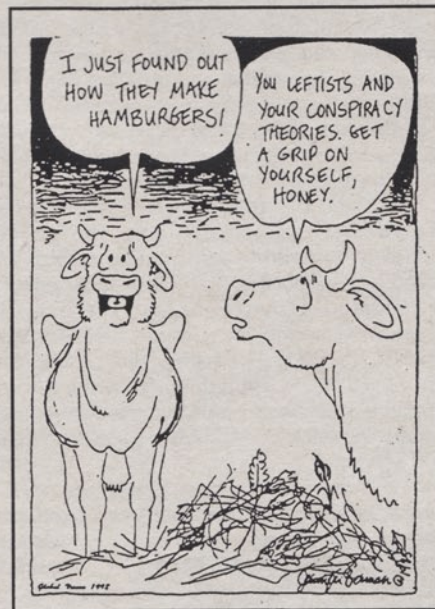
THAT THE PERSON IS AN INFILTRATOR. Back up your info on the person with detailed proof of your claim that s/he is an informant.

From what we know about how the police work in terms of repression against animal liberation activists in North America, the police have not, at this point, attempted to frame anyone. They have used snitches to gather information used to prosecute activists (e.g. Jessica Sandham against Darren Thurston), used infiltrators to entrap activists (e.g. Mary Lou Sapone against Fran Trutt), used Grand Juries to obtain testimony from other activists and breed suspicion and division (eg. activists assisting Grand Juries in Washington, Oregon, New Mexico, Michigan) and used infiltrators to spread misinformation (e.g. Barry Klaussen against Pacific Northwest Earth First! groups). This is not to say that frame-ups are not possible, but I think part of dealing with the threat of infiltration is to try to be as well-educated as possible and try to keep analysis grounded rather than sinking into our own quagmire of paranoia.

A classic counter-activist tactic is to use paranoia and fear to split groups apart. In the past, COINTELPRO very successfully used this tactic against the Black Panther, American Indian Movement (AIM), and others by forging letters in activists' names, writing "anonymous" letters accusing activists of being infiltrators, etc. When a letter comes to us accusing someone of being an informant, we take it seriously, but in the context of knowing that letters like this have actually been manufactured by counter-activist agencies in the past.

Attached is a list of suggested readings for more information. I hope this letter has been helpful.

In struggle towards animal liberation and freedom for all political prisoners,
Zabaglione / for the NA-ALFSG



the enemies within

THE END OF THE INNOCENCE

In 1988, the "Fran Trutt" case—where a government/industry infiltrator set up an animal activist—should have signalled to activists that the movement was about to be hit hard by infiltrators, informers and government agents. Instead, the movement, for the most part, has refused to see that Trutt was the victim of a bigger hidden agenda, a covert war against the movement.

The government's covert attack has reached a level of intensity reminiscent of the 1980s when the Central American Sanctuary Movement was heavily infiltrated by the government and activists were harassed. The tactic of creating a climate of fear and mistrust which undermines the efforts of animal activists has been used over and over against other social justice causes, including the civil rights, anti-war and feminist movements.

According to attorney Brian Glick, who authored "War at Home—Covert Action Against U.S. Activists", attacks on progressive movements



are part of a "vast government program to neutralize domestic political opposition." The government, he adds, carries out political repression secretly or under the "guise" of law enforcement necessary to stop "terrorists". Virtually every scenario outlined by Glick—and others who have documented government harassment of political groups—has been used against activists in California [and elsewhere—ed.], including burglaries of activists' homes, disinformation campaigns against key activists and infiltration by informers.

As in past movements, informers not only spy on political activists, but are used to discredit and disrupt. As Glick notes, "The FBI and police exploit (fear) to smear genuine activists as agents," which is exactly what happened [in 1990] in Sacramento when activists attempted to expose known agents and informants.

A disinformation campaign has spread rumors to inflame disagreements among activists. Campaigns have been sabotaged... Informants have provoked jealousy and embarrassed progressive groups. Dedicated activists have even been accused of being government agents, a common play to undermine the activists' effectiveness and focus attention away from the actual informer.

Activists, generally, do not yet realize what has happened. In fact, most still do not understand that they have been "set-up" as Glick states, and instead honestly believe the disruptions involving

different factions are caused by "personality" conflicts.

They are unaware that the FBI routinely produces phony phone calls, letters and leaflets to discredit groups and turn them against one another. In the 1960s, covert operations fueled antagonism between factions in the anti-war movement when one activist received a threatening phone call allegedly made by another activist. It was more than 20 years later before it was learned the real activist never made the call.

In Sacramento, something very close to that took place [in the early 1990s] when fabricated evidence was planted in an attempt to implicate key activists. Bogus threatening letters were sent to several activists, and implicated the other activists who were scheduled to reveal the existence of a government informer at an upcoming meeting. It became clear that agents must be involved, because the letters were mailed in envelopes from an office no longer frequented by the key activists, but where police believed their office was located.

Glick says that the FBI and police have abused the legal system—under the guise of attacking "terrorism"—by harassing activists with grand jury subpoenas. The use of subpoenas has intimidated activists in past social justice movements—and the same has occurred [throughout the U.S.], where dozens of subpoenas since 1987 have been distributed by the FBI, who used the occasion of presenting the subpoenas to harass, frighten and intimidate activists at home and at work.

Some activists—now turned informants—have rationalized their cooperation, or collaboration. They have attempted to justify turning over activists' names, addresses, and phone numbers—in addition to possibly incriminating information—to the government.

A group of Sacramento activists—including several who may have...informed on other activists—even embraced a confessed informant. Although the informant admitted in a public meeting she would "inform again" if asked by the government, and the activists were warned such a person could jeopardize the campaigns in the area, they invited her back.

The government's war is working. In part, it is effective because the animal rights movement is so young and naive. But it is successful also because many in it refuse to see the political realities, and decide to traffic in lies and innuendo that fuel differences and invite splits, rather than work for true animal liberation.

Glick says in his book that the strategy of the government in dealing with political groups has been consistent for years—isolate the most militant and radical groups for direct attack and promise others that "things would be much easier" for them if they disassociated from such "violent disruptive elements".

If any of this sounds familiar, it is because the tactic is the same one espoused by the American Medical Association (AMA) in its "battle plan" against

the animal rights movement. In the plan, it is suggested that those opposed to animal rights work with government agencies to "isolate" hardcore activists from the rest of the movement, which the AMA plan described as "weak".

Glick, and others who have observed government repression firsthand since the 1960s, believe covert action—despite being undemocratic and terrorist in nature—will probably not end in the near future in this country. But, they suggest that movements should fight back, and put the police, political informants and operatives on the defense by publicizing attacks on genuine activists and exposing those who inform to the rest of the movement.

The animal rights movement can minimize the effectiveness of covert agents and informants by refusing to spread lies and rumors about dedicated activists—who are the subject of the government campaign—and tracing those rumors back to their source, where government informants can usually be found. Activists can wholeheartedly support other activists, especially those who are the targets of break-ins, grand jury harassment and defendants in political trials.

THE INFILTRATION — INFORMANTS AND COLLABORATORS

Although the federal government and state agencies have been tight-lipped about exactly who their informants are, or how deep they have infiltrated the animal rights movement, the [1990] grand jury investigation in Sacramento, CA and arrest of several key activists stemming out of the probe have provided some valuable facts.

Apparently, at least four key informants [were] working for the government on the West Coast, and several animal activists have decided to collaborate freely, and also act as informants. Until the federal grand jury records are unsealed, it may be impossible to know how many activists have informed on their fellow activists. Those activists apparently have given up names, numbers, and other information to the FBI and other repressive police groups in return for being "left alone".

The really frightening specter is that those people—who have informed on other activists—are still active in the movement, free to gather still more information to pass on to government, and industry, grand inquisitors.

And, the very real truth of the matter is that when you hold a picket sign at a protest, or talk to another activist on the phone, you don't know who is listening—and who is going to talk about it to a government bent on taking away your freedom so that you cannot fight for the freedom of billions of animals.

As in past social justice movements, informants or government agents serve a multipurpose role. They pass on information to the government, allowing it to arrest and otherwise

THE HIDDEN GOVERNMENT WAR ON ANIMAL ACTIVISTS

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harass key activists. Or, they can disrupt, confuse, and misdirect other activists. Informants also frighten off good activists by their very, or suspected, presence.

It doesn't do any good to ignore the threat, or the reality. But, to face it is be able to deal with it in rational, and political sense. To understand the threat is to empower yourself, and the movement.

If activists know their rights, they can protect them—and those of others. Basically, an activist—or any other U.S. citizen—does not have to talk to the police, FBI or a grand jury without having a lawyer. Any small bit of "innocent" information helps oppressors, if not to convict someone then to lead them to another activist to harass.

Activists have often been asked only to "confirm" information. If they collaborated, they were told by the government, they would save themselves. But, to cooperate in any sense with government repression has to be likened to collaborating with the enemy in a time of war—and surely if we, as activists, are not at war, then the animals are (at war).

And, to collaborate with the government will only insure that the killing—by the billions—of animals will continue for an even longer time than it should.

To thwart government repression will take courage and ethical behavior. But, that is exactly and simply what is needed to not only stop repression of us, but the oppression of all animals on this planet.

THE PLAYERS

In 1992 & 1993 *Jessica Michelle Charlotte Sandham* (birthdate Dec '73) made a 4-1/2 hour videotaped statement to police and testified against Darren Thurston at his preliminary hearing on charges related to A.L.F. actions in Edmonton, Alberta (Canada). Her testimony has cost Darren 21 months and counting. Unfortunately we do not have a photo of Jessica available. She is approx. 5'9", sandy brown hair that was shoulder length as of 1993, heavy set, no glasses, caucasian. She is, as far as we know, currently living in Edmonton and is not presently active in animal rights/animal lib work.

Mark Mead and *Mary Lou Sapone* (below) were, and are possibly still, two agents employed by Perceptions International, a security company contracted by US Surgical (USS), a vivisection corporation. The two agents set up Fran Trutt, an animal rights activist, by supplying her with the



money, transportation, and encouragement to plant a bomb outside USS. Mead even rehearsed the arrest scenario with police before driving Trutt to the site. Sapone has attempted to infiltrate numerous animal rights and environmental groups.



MARTIN LANE GORDA

Gorda has informed on, and fabricated evidence about, at least 15 different animal activists on the West Coast, according to documents filed by the FBI and Lane County District Attorney's Office in Oregon. His unsworn testimony has yet to be tested at trial, but his claims could result in the imprisonment of activists for up to 20 years. Gorda has posed as a sincere animal rights activist, and environmentalist, in the Sacramento/Davis area since at least 1983. He participated in demonstrations, and even was arrested. However, he was a loner who even his closet activist "friends" could not get close to. His income was also a mystery, and he would disappear for weeks—even missing court dates—without explanation. It is not clear if he has been a government agent from the beginning, or an activist who has decided to collaborate with government repressors. He has received immunity from prosecution in return for turning in activists. He now lives in Mt. View, CA, south of San Francisco.



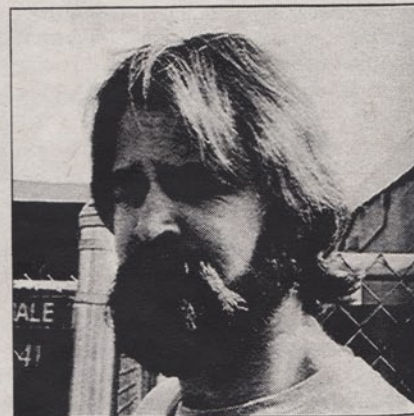
LYNNE ANN TRULIO

Like Gorda, Trulio has provided dozens of pages of unseen testimony to the FBI and Oregon authorities, according to government agencies involved. She also has bought immunity from prosecution if she informs on activists. Trulio, who lived with Gorda, also was active in the animal rights movement in the Sacramento/Davis area. She was a graduate student at UC Davis for at least six years, and worked as a staff biologist for the Mountain Lion Coalition in the late 1980s. She also is believed to be living in Mt. View, CA, and may be attempting to infiltrate environmental organizations there.



GAYLE SMART

She admitted to a roomful of activists in late February 1991 that she had informed on other activists for nearly three hours last year before a U.S. Grand Jury. She received limited immunity for helping to harass other activists. Smart became active in the Sacramento area in 1985, and about one year later, she dropped out. However, since she was asked to inform on others, she became active again, and attempted to disrupt meetings being held by activists threatened by government harassment. She has said she would "inform again" if pressured by the government. Some Sacramento activists—who may not know better—have refused to bar her from important meetings where she could glean information that would be valuable to the government.



WILLIAM FERGUSON

One of the key informants in the current intimidation campaign against the animal rights movement is William (aka Bill) Ferguson, who was involved in Los Angeles-area animal rights since the mid-1980s. Prone to using violence to settle disputes—he shot Chris DeRose, founder and president of Last Chance for Animals, in the back, nearly killing him—Ferguson has also sent numerous threatening letters to animal activists. DeRose says that while he agrees that the movement is "young and naive," he believes that because "we are in the embryo stages of development that we must weed out infiltrators, and informants. We are in the middle of a revolution, said DeRose. "And we should not be afraid of words like 'revolution.' I feel strongly about this. To revolt in the face of oppression, government control and atrocities, is what this great nation was built on. We will prevail."

THE MCLIBEL TRIAL CONTINUES

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After several years of pre-trial hearings, the McDonald's libel case against two unwaged campaigners - who were allegedly involved in distribution in 1989/1990 of the London Greenpeace leaflet "What's Wrong With McDonald's" - finally began at the end of June.

REMINDER OF THE BACKGROUND

A total of approximately 170 UK and international witnesses will give evidence in court about the effects of the company's advertising and the impact of its operating practices and food products on the environment, on millions of farmed animals, on human health, on the Third World, and on McDonald's own staff. They will include environmental and nutritional experts, trade unionists, McDonald's employees, customers and top executives.

McDonald's have claimed that wide-ranging criticisms of their operations, in a leaflet produced by London Greenpeace, have defamed them, so they have launched this libel action against two people (Dave Morris & Helen Steel) involved with the group.

Prior to the start of the case, McDonald's issued leaflets nationwide calling their critics liars. So Helen and Dave themselves took out a counterclaim for libel against McDonald's which will run concurrently with McDonald's libel action.

Helen and Dave were denied their right to a jury trial, at McDonald's request. And, with no right to Legal Aid in libel cases, they are forced to conduct their own defence against the McDonald's team of top libel lawyers.

The trial is open to members of the press and public (Court 35, Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2 - nearest Underground Temple or Holborn) and is set to run until March 1995.

THE SIXTH AND SEVENTH WEEKS OF THE TRIAL

(weeks beginning 12 and 19 Sept) were taken up with McDonald's witnesses on DIET & CANCER, ADDITIVES, DIET & DIABETES, and MARKETING, and with a Defence witness on ADVERTISING and NUTRITION.

DR SIDNEY ARNOTT: On 12 & 13th September, Dr Arnott (McDonald's expert on cancer) returned to be cross-examined by the Defendants. He argued that although there had been a great deal of research into cancer the exact causes were not proven. He was not convinced by the evidence linking a high fat/low fibre diet to cancers of the breast and bowel, although he accepted that a high fat diet was linked to heart disease, diabetes and also obesity (which he agreed might increase the risks of some forms of cancer).

MODERN DIET LINKED TO CHRONIC DISEASES - The Defendants referred him to the conclusions and recommendations of a wide range of authoritative medical, scientific, advisory and governmental bodies including the major 1990 World Health Organisation (WHO) Report which stated "dietary factors are now known to influence the development of ... heart disease, various cancers, hypertension ... and diabetes. These conditions are the commonest cause of premature death in developed countries. ... The 'affluent' type of diet that often accompanies economic development is energy dense. People consuming these diets characteristically have a high intake of (especially saturated fat) and free sugars and a relatively low intake of complex carbohydrates (from starchy, fibre-containing foods). Such diets are well established in developed countries, and are now becoming more common in most developing countries. ... This change in diet can now be linked to the increasing incidence of chronic diseases and of premature death. Evidence suggests that many of these premature deaths should be preventable by changes in diet and in other aspects of lifestyle. ... Their prevention or reduction is both a social responsibility and an economic necessity." Dr Arnott reluctantly admitted that the World Health Organisation was "probably" the most influential health organisation in the world.

The Defendants quoted similar views linking diet with cancer from one of McDonald's own booklets from 1985 (not displayed in their stores), which Dr Arnott said was "reasonable" and "sensible" advice.

"KISS OF DEATH" - In addition, the Defendants asked Dr Arnott's opinion of the following statement: "A diet high in fat, sugar, animal products and salt, and low in fibre, vitamins and minerals, is linked with cancer of the breast and bowel and heart disease." He replied: "If it is being directed to the public then I would say it is a very reasonable thing to say." The court was then informed that the statement was an extract from the London Greenpeace Factsheet. This section had been characterised at pre-trial hearings as the central and most "defamatory" allegation, which if proven would be the "kiss of death" (*) for a fast-food company like McDonald's. On the strength of the supposed scientific complexities surrounding this issue the Defendants had been denied their right to a jury.

(* — Richard Rampton QC for McDonald's, Court of Appeal, 16th March 1994.)

STEVEN GARDNER: On 15th & 16th September Stephen Gardner, former Assistant Attorney General of Texas, gave evidence for the Defence. Mr Gardner told how, in April 1986, a number of States including Texas held meetings with the major fast-food companies in order to force them to comply with food labelling regulations. They were told to provide ingredient and nutritional information to customers about each product sold. He said that McDonald's had been the most "recalcitrant" and "had to be dragged kicking and screaming into the fold". Eventually general agreement was reached and it was planned to make announcements to the press that the information was available from all the major chains. McDonald's told the Attorneys General that they needed more time before they were ready. However, the company then issued a unilateral press release claiming they were voluntarily pioneering a unique project to provide this information. The huge public row which followed led to extensive press coverage attacking McDonald's deception. An internal company memo sent out at that time was read to the court which revealed that McDonald's had produced ingredient brochures "to help blunt the growing interest of state and federal lawmakers for ingredient labelling legislation".

ADVERTISING DECEIT - The former Assistant Attorney General continued by explaining how, in the following year, McDonald's began a major, but deceptive, advertising campaign. The company claimed it was an "informational" campaign about the content of their food. However, the company's own internal magazine stated that the aim was "a long term commitment beginning with a year-long advertising schedule" ... "to neutralise the junk food misconceptions about McDonald's good food." The buzz words in almost all the ads were "nutrition", "balance" and "McDonald's good food". After the series of ads hit the news-stands, the Attorney General of Texas, in conjunction with the two other major states, wrote a letter to McDonald's on 24th April 1987 stating:

"The Attorneys General of Texas, California and New York have concluded our joint review of McDonald's recent advertising campaign which claims that McDonald's food is nutritious. Our mutual conclusion is that this advertising campaign is deceptive. We therefore request that McDonald's immediately cease and desist further use of this advertising campaign. The reason for this is simple: McDonald's food is, as a whole, not nutritious. The intent and result of the current campaign is to deceive customers into believing the opposite. Fast food customers often choose to go to McDonald's because it is inexpensive and convenient. They should not be fooled into eating there because you have told them it is also nutritious. ... The new campaign appears intended to pull the wool over the public's eyes."

Mr Gardener also referred the court to some of the specific examples of inaccuracies and distortions in the 16 individual advertisements. He related how, after the three States had threatened legal action if the ads were repeated, McDonald's promised to stop the ads.

At the current trial McDonald's claim that the ads were not dropped

and were later printed again. However, of the four ads they said had been run after the threats, three were not the specific ads referred to in the complaints, one was not from the original series of ads at all, and none mentioned "nutrition", "balance" or "McDonald's good food".

PROFESSOR RONALD WALKER - ADDITIVES: McDonald's called Professor Walker, their expert on additives and toxicology. The company uses dozens of additives in its food. The Defendants have cited nine of these (E110/Sunset Yellow, E124/Amaranth, E250/Sodium Nitrite, E252/Potassium Nitrate, E320/BHA, E321/BHT, E407/Carrageenan, 621/Monosodium Glutamate, 924/Potassium Bromate) as potentially detrimental to health; most of them are banned in one or more countries.

Professor Walker explained that the main basis for permitting additives as "safe" was that they had been tested on animals. (He said tests on humans were unethical.) He admitted that animals had a different metabolism to humans, that the

small number of animals used in each experiment would not reflect the vast diversity of human situations, and that the results were not always consistent. However, as a result of these tests an "Acceptable Daily Intake" for humans is usually set.

ALLERGIES - The animal tests, Professor Walker admitted, failed to predict allergies and some other "intolerances", and he went on to accept that many people (about "one in a thousand") were allergic to the colouring additives E110 & E124. He stated there was also "anecdotal" evidence that four of the additives provoked hyperactivity in kids. His opinion was that food should be properly labelled so that people could avoid the additives.

Professor Walker agreed that one of the nine additives, Potassium Bromate, was known to be carcinogenic. It had been used in the manu-



facture of all McDonald's bread buns until 1990 when it was banned.

Walker also acknowledged that the basis for permitting the use of additives varied from country to country, taking into consideration "the balance of safety and need" (i.e. the food industry's modern processing needs).

STYRENE MIGRATION INTO FOOD - Finally, Professor Walker agreed that styrene can migrate from polystyrene packaging into food (especially fatty foods). He said that the International Agency for the Research on Cancer had classified styrene as possibly carcinogenic to humans. Also styrene can be transformed in the body into styrene oxide, which he said appeared to be much more hazardous to human health. He said that more styrene from "the polluted urban atmosphere" also gets into the body. He referred to a survey which claimed that "100% of subjects studied in the USA had detectable levels of styrene in their body fat".

ALISTAIR FAIRGRIEVE - MARKETING: Alistair Fairgrieve, McDonald's UK Marketing Services Manager, outlined some of the research undertaken by the company to discover what customers were thinking and the effects of advertising, with the aim of increasing the number of customers visiting McDonald's and the frequency of visits. They are part of a fast food "syndicate" which does an annual phone survey of eating habits of 60,000 people. They also do their own "customer profile" questionnaires etc.

Mr Fairgrieve explained that questions were asked about seventeen "functional" and "emotional" attributes which were "ranked in terms of importance" to McDonald's. "At the top there are the ones by which we stand or fall." At the bottom were four categories: "Food is Filling", "Good Value For Money", "Use Top Quality

Ingredients", and finally "Nutritious Food".

Some interesting conclusions were reported for 1994: 91% agreed that McDonald's was a "place kids enjoy", whereas only 47% a "place adults enjoy" (up from 31% in 1992). Only 34% agreed it "offers low price" and only 30% felt that it sold "nutritious food" (up from 19% in 1992).

ADVERTISING AND EMOTIONAL PULL - Fairgrieve explained how the company boosted some of the lower percentages by building people's "trust" and their "emotional pull" to the company - this was achieved by "a repositioning of McDonald's as a brand in late 1992 and the launch of a new advertising theme". He later stated "it is our objective to dominate the communications area ... because we are competing for a share of the customer's mind". Further interpretation of various survey results was hampered by a lack of background information and statistics; Mr Fairgrieve was told to return at a later date with such details.

PROFESSOR HARRY KEEN - DIET & DIABETES: On the links between diet and diabetes, McDonald's called Professor Harry Keen, former chair of the World Health Organisation's (WHO) Expert Committee on Diabetes. He stated that diabetes and its complications are estimated to affect about 5% of "western" populations. There were two main types of diabetes. The more common type, non-insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus, was usually diagnosed after middle life. He said that obesity was shown to be clearly linked with increased risk of this type of diabetes. He said that "the link between obesity and diabetes development is universally accepted". In general the whole UK population was becoming more obese, and as physical activity falls (with use of cars etc) people need to cut back even more on energy intake (fat is the most concentrated form of energy in the diet).

The Defendants referred Professor Keen to sections of the 1990 WHO Report on Diet, Nutrition and the Prevention of Chronic Diseases. One extract suggested that the optimal percentage of food energy obtained from dietary fat should be 15-20%. (UK governmental recommendations are 30% - these were set as an "achievable" target given the average current levels of fat intake which are much higher. McDonald's have admitted that most of their main meals are above even that figure.) Professor Keen said that "dietary factors are now known to be associated with the development of a wide range of chronic diseases", including heart disease, hypertension, cancer and diabetes. His view of WHO reports was that they "represent state of the art and the state of the scientific opinion so they are regarded with considerable respect".

++ The case continues. +++

CAMPAIGN STATEMENT

The McLibel Support Campaign was set up to generate solidarity and financial backing for the McLibel Defendants, who are not themselves responsible for Campaign publicity. The Campaign is also supportive of, but independent from, general, worldwide, grassroots anti-McDonalds activities and protests.

The trial is open to members of the press and public, starting at 10.30am daily: Court 35, Royal Courts of Justice, Strand, London WC2.

Previous updates are available on the World Wide Web on Chris Harrison's page at <http://www.cs.ucl.ac.uk/~harrison/Environment/Environment.html> or via Nick Fiddes pages at <http://anthfirst.san.ed.ac.uk/>

Please distribute the update far and wide.
cheers, Richard

ed. note: we printed the McLibel update in entirety, even though it is a non-North American case, because SLAPPs (Strategic Lawsuits Against Public Participation) are happening with increased frequency against environmental activists in both Canada and the USA, and we felt the McLibel case was a good example of how SLAPPs work. We will keep you updated as the North American SLAPPs progress.

Hey! You out there! Are you awake? Have you really taken a good look around lately? Have you noticed what's going on? We have less forests now. We have more roads and concrete. We have less species of animals and plants now. We have more polluted air, water, and food. Life dying all around us while corporate fucks and the brainless masses concern themselves with money and things. Have you noticed? If you get your news primarily from the corporations through tv and newspaper, you probably haven't noticed. The struggle for liberation and freedom for all species and the Earth continues. It's time to notice. It's time to help the struggle. It's time to get involved, because there just isn't much time left. If you're interested, read on. If not, go back to watching America's Most Wanted. You never know, you might just see your friends there. Then will you care?

The April 94 issue of *Militant Vegan* reports that there have been "more than 20 acts of sabotage and liberation in just the first 2 months" of 1994 in North America. By including vandalism and other minor attacks, the list grows to over 40. That's not counting what we'll never hear about. These figures mean that some kind of action happens almost every day.

This year we've taken some blows as well. In Edmonton, the prosecutor of an

A.L.F. activist appealed the sentence handed down to Darren

Thurston and put him in a cell for 6 1/2 months so far (of a 2 year sentence) on top of the 14 1/2 months he already spent inside. In Spokane, Kim Trimiew and Deb Stout were imprisoned for months for refusing to talk to the grand jury about the A.L.F.; this was Kim's second time behind bars for refusing to testify. David Barbarash served 4 months after being picked up at gunpoint by the FBI/BATF. The latest news is that Rod Coronado has been arrested after 2 years of freedom from the feds—now they want to keep him in jail until he is 99 years old. Arizona has become the most recent state to create laws specifically to criminalize animal liberation activists. There are already federal laws in place. Grand juries are continuing until at least mid-1995 in five states (OR, WA, MI, UT, LA). Direct FBI harassment of activists continues in at least 3 states so far this year.

Does this sound pretty bad to you? We need to remember that what this all

really means, what it reflects, is the growth of our movement. There are now more brave sister and brother warriors forming cells and tribes and taking action. What it also means is that we have to be much more careful and smart in our daily activities. The "political climate" is not what it was ten or even five years ago. Now, in the mid-nineties, mistakes will be hard and costly. Follow the basic rules: don't use phones for anything, use only safe addresses for mail, shut your mouth — do not say anything to anyone, etc., etc. You know it all, right? Well, I hope so.



"Again? Why is it that the revolution always gets this far and then everyone just chickens out?"

As the evolution of the struggle continues in this way and the attempts to squash it increase, we will see more of our brothers and sisters either in jail or on the run. We need to accept this as a reality because people do fuck up, and sometimes the feds do get lucky. We need to prepare ourselves for the increased repression. The first steps to take are to thoroughly clean your home, to get new i.d., and to start stashes of needed things such as money, food, gear, etc.

It doesn't matter whether you are active or not. If you have any friends or connections at all to active resistance fighters, then you may find yourself in need of i.d. at some point. Making your home safe means having all personal letters, diaries, photos, papers and magazines advocating illegal activities, and any related items such as that timing device you have been working on for months, it means having all this stuff out of your home and into a safe place. It may seem a bit inconvenient and perhaps unnecessary, but I tell ya, 5-10 years in a cell will be a lot more inconvenient. Also remember that someone else's actions in your city or neighborhood could precipitate a raid on your home even if you had nothing to do with it.

If you are an active warrior, you should consider ending your public life and begin your private one. There are a few activists who are living this way now,

WHAT'S IT GONNA TAKE?

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the first in a series of articles, by various authors, dealing with life underground.

and so far none have been caught [since this was written, two underground North American activists have been captured by the feds.-ed]. One thing to consider is that all the people the feds are physically harassing right now, and all the activists who are or have gone to jail, have all been public people with all connections leading to their homes, jobs, friends, etc. An activist is much more secure and safe away from prying eyes, if s/he is a private person. A private life as an activist means not going to any public political rallies and demos, meetings or similar events. It means dropping out of a public existence as much as possible.

In this private life many new issues will come up that are sometimes not so easily dealt with. This includes loneliness and isolation, especially if you make a complete break from traditional friends and family. This is why the idea of a tribe is so important. We need each other for our psychic and emotional well-being, to enable us to cope and survive. This break from those friends and family does become necessary when you realize that those who lead public lives often do not fully understand your security needs. Many mistakes will happen such as mentioning your name over the phone or in the presence of others who will repeat the information to someone else. Your friends will do this, no matter how many times you've tried to explain the situation to them. Until your friends and relatives really and truly understand the level of security you need, it is wisest to have as little contact as possible with them. For those who do begin to understand, encourage them to get a safe address, and if you have one yourself (which you should) you can now safely communicate with each other through the mail.

Other issues that will come up tend to revolve around home and money. About the former, it is best not to live with people who can testify as to whether you were home on a certain day, or what firearms you have, or where you might have travelled. Will your housemates be brave enough and have the integrity to refuse to answer questions to an agent or a grand jury? Will they too choose jail over talking? Do you really know their breaking point? Think about it. Perhaps your current home situation needs to be changed. Living on your own or with your comrades is the best. Living on the road is also an alternative. Whatever you decide to do, do it safely. No phones, no mail, do not arouse the suspicions of your neighbours. We are now in the era of safe actions and safe living.

The central issue that will keep coming up is the one of money. If you've been thinking ahead and have been part of the slave force, maybe you've put away a few thousand. Or maybe you've got some left over from grandma's inheritance. Eventually though, your personal supply will run out. A job is out of the question when you're leading a private activist life. Besides, there's so much real work to be done. So how will you survive? Surviving costs money, whether it's for food (you will need to cut down on shoplifting as it poses a huge risk to your survival) or for research work or for those tools, or for gas or for the occasional car rental or motel room. It all adds up.

Unfortunately, money is the one thing I haven't completely figured out yet. You can try your folks or your working friends to donate to your needs, or maybe you or they know of richer sympathetic folks. For those of you reading this who have been approached for money, or know of activists who need it, put your thinking caps on to figure this one out. The reality is, without the cash flow, ain't nothing much gonna happen.

This may sound so dire and depressing and especially difficult. This road is certainly not for everyone. Careful consideration must be given to this decision. Hard questions must be asked of yourself: Do I really think that letter writing, petitioning, marching, shouting, civil disobedience, and banner hanging will really change anything before it's too late? Is it almost too late already? Is there something more than needs to be done? Am I one of those people who needs to be doing that "something more"? There's nothing more this planet needs right now than committed Earth warriors. Think about it.

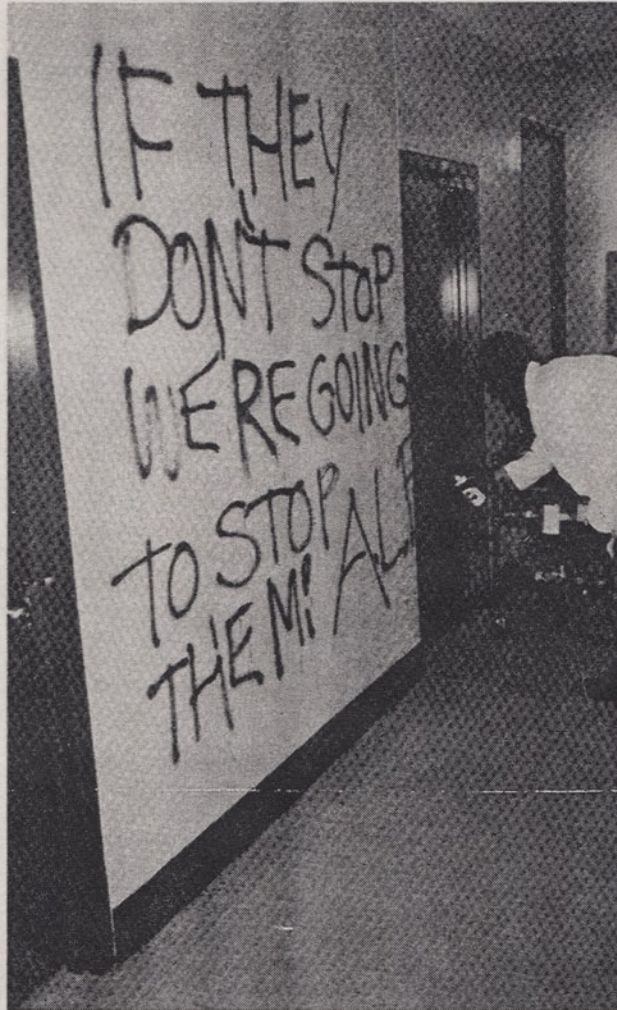
One thing I would like to touch on briefly is one not many people give much thought or credit to. That thing is magic, specifically, magical protection. Amid your scoffing and teasing I can happily say that there is magical energy to tap into. Most of my protection, outside of all the practical precautions I take, comes from my faith in the magical realm. This is not to say I've ignored my own advice or acted callously, but much of my safety and security is greatly enhanced by my knowledge and understanding and "tuning in" to the magic around me. I look at it as a kind of chaos of energy which engulfs and connects every being and place. Once you learn to see signs of the energy, and begin to connect with the chaos around you, you can tap into the protective energies. There is no rule of how to do this; everybody must find their own way which suits their particular way of relating. A lot of it has to do with faith and a lot has to do with your connection to other like-minded souls and well as the natural world. Anyway, I'm not writing to convert you non-believers. All I'm saying is just open yourself up to the potentials and the possibilities. What have you got to lose?

We have an incredibly enormous task on our hands, which is to help bring the madness to an end. The planet and all creatures on it have suffered long enough at the hands of humans. As conscious people we have the responsibility to stop the destruction, and to do that we must stop the humans and their criminal corporate enterprises. Earth warriors need help from you as soon as possible, and we need as many new dedicated souls as possible to join in the struggle. And, we need all the help magic can provide for us as well.

I want to talk a bit more about the support role. Fact is, most of you reading this, no matter how much you agree with the idea of resistance and direct action, will not participate in it or be prepared to involve yourselves in full-scale

resistance. That's unfortunate, but not a complete waste. Truth is, in order for any level of direct action campaigns to continue and flourish, we need people who are not directly involved to offer much needed support. Here are some ideas, some of which have already been mentioned but they can be stressed over and over again.

You likely know someone who is involved in illegal actions. Help to maintain their security. How? By not asking them questions such as "Where are you going?" or "Where have you been?" By not talking about these people to your friends or strangers, casually, over the phone, or otherwise. By refusing to answer questions about them posed to you by anyone, either a close friend or the FBI. By opening your door to them when they need a place to crash, no questions asked. By offering them money when they come through town, because they need it, and their sources are few and far between. Like I said before, money is the main issue as far as support for an underground life and for continued actions. If you've got a job, consider putting away a set amount each month to support the underground. You may not know anyone now who is in need but in all probability you will sometime in the future. Hit up your wealthy friends and relatives, and they don't need to know what it's for.



There are other things to start acquiring and stashing. Non-perishable food such as grains and canned goods will always be useful. Know anyone who works in a health food store or even a Safeway? With the approach of world disorder, you yourself might just benefit from a well thought out survival plan. Aside from stashing food and money, you might also want to consider acquiring a gun and lots of ammo. Personally, I have no use for such things in 1994,

but who's to say what might happen in 5-10 years. Every year it's getting harder to get a weapon for personal defense, so the smart thing to do would be to get that stuff now while you still can and simply stash it in one of those army ammo boxes buried in a spot in a national forest or somewhere. I would suggest either a 9mm or 38 with as much ammo as you can afford. If you never need it, great! But if you do need to defend yourself in the future, you will be prepared.

The important thing to remember here is that there are people now, our friends, our brothers and sisters, who are, in 1994, on the run, avoiding police detection, trying to continue this struggle which we all believe in, carrying out actions for the Earth and the animals, and who are barely surviving and only just surviving due to the support, minimal though it is, and good will of some people and friends like you. Ideally, in my fantasy world, every one of you would immediately quit your jobs and your public lives and start your private underground life of activism and resistance. I know that won't happen, so the next best thing is for ya'll to start putting into place measures to support our comrades. Remember, we're out here on the front lines, and we need you! Let's support our troops!

ANIMAL LIBERATION PRISONER SUPPORT

North America

Rodney Adam Coronado F4445
Newaygo County Jail, PO Box 845, White Cloud,
MI, 49349 USA

On Wednesday, September 27, Rod Coronado was arrested by officials of the FBI, BATF, and BIA at the Pascua Yaqui Reservation for allegedly participating in the Feb 28, 1992 arson at Michigan State University in East Lansing. The fire destroyed a mink research facility and the work of researchers Richard Aulerich (who fed dioxins and other toxins to minks) and Karen Chou.

In July 1993 a federal grand jury in Michigan indicted Rod of five charges: arson, extortion, possession of stolen property, using fire to commit extortion, and interstate travel to commit arson. Rod is also "considered a suspect" in the 1991 raid on Washington State University. Grand juries have been investigating 1991-2 fires and burglaries at 4 universities, a defunct mink farm, and a mink food plant. These actions, claimed by the A.L.F. as part of "Operation Bite Back", caused over \$1.5 million damage.

Numerous bail applications were unsuccessful. On October 27, despite pleas from Rod's community to return him to the Pascua Yaqui reservation, Rod was extradited to Michigan. His trial is expected to begin in early 1995.

ROD CORONADO SUPPORT COMMITTEE

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General donations for Rod's support work should go to the Rodney Coronado Support Committee in Tucson.

The Activist Support Group in Missoula is fundraising to pay for Pasqua Yaqui children and elders to visit Rod in Michigan; send donations for this project to the Activist Support Group, Box 9286, Missoula, MT, 59807 USA, marked "Rod".

Further information on Rod's case can be obtained from the Rodney Coronado Support Committee (RCSC):
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Also see "A Letter to my Friends" in the Samhain '94 Earth First Journal.



Yaqui cross with circle of all life extending from it. Within this circle are all the earth's creatures. The stars in the cross are those that represent the heavens above.

My name is Rodney Adam Coronado. I'm 28 years old and a mixed-blood Yaqui. Before my arrest, I lived on our small reservation Pascua Yaqui Pueblo south of Tucson, Arizona with our tribe's Traditional Elder and Spiritual Leader, Anselmo Valencia. This is a short history of my life.

Our tribe's homeland is in present day Sonora, Mexico but my grandparents parents fled the region when Yaquis were being murdered wholesale. After a time in Tucson, they followed farmwork to the Central Valley of California where my parents met and were married. They were both active in the United Farm Workers movement, and my father was was a Brown Beret. When my mother was pregnant with me, she attended a demonstration against

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the then racist governor of California.

I grew up mostly in San Jose, California and got used to the name-calling by white kids, "Beaner", "Spic", and worse. In the 3rd grade I remember having my mouth taped because the teacher said I talked too much, then she summoned my 2nd grade teacher Mr. Hill who was native american also to come look. I'll never forget that.

All my life I was drawn to nature and animals and would be the first to intercede when someone was being cruel. I always remember my mom telling me I was Yaqui, and should be proud. When I was 12 I saw a PBS documentary on the Canadian harp seal hunt and after crying through the whole thing, refused to turn it off. I swore that night that I would devote my life to ending such disrespect and cruelty. When I was 14 my mother gave me Dee Brown's *Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee* and I struggled through it convincing myself that I must never be ashamed to be an indigenous person. I saved my lawn-cutting money, and work wages and sent them to various animal-welfare groups. I also wrote many letters of protest.

When I graduated from high school I immediately left home to work full-time as a volunteer for the Sea Shepherd Society and their Captain Paul Watson, the same man I saw on PBS defending the harp seals. In 1979 when I had heard of his ramming and later sinking of the pirate whaling ship "Sierra" I told myself, "These are the people I will work with". From 1984 to 1987 I helped the Sea Shepherds. Sailing on their ship the Sea Shepherd to the North Atlantic and Pacific to interfere with the illegal killing of ocean wildlife. In the Faroe Islands in 1986 I was arrested and beaten and held for 5 days until Amnesty International helped secure my release. In Iceland in 1986 a comrade and I disabled the country's illegal whaling station, and later that evening sank two of the country's four whaling ships. In all these actions I always accepted full responsibility.

In Britain in 1986 & 1987 I also participated with the Hunt Saboteurs, a legitimate anti-hunting group, in disrupting fox hunts non-violently. Through 1987-1989 I again sailed with the Sea Shepherd, was a Director for a short time, and also participated with various animal rights groups in staging anti-vivisection rallies and demonstrations. I also participated with various Earth First! groups in protesting trophy hunts for protected Mtn. Lions, and wilderness destruction. In 1987 I helped found the Hunt Saboteurs of America to interfere with the trophy hunt of protected Bighorn Sheep in California's Mojave Desert.

Through all these activities I adhered to non-violence and never hurt anyone. I also was one of the few non-white people in the struggles and felt my participation was based on the beliefs as a Yaqui that all creations were deserving of respect and reverence.

In 1987-1990 I worked for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals as a researcher and investigator and in 1990 a friend and I founded our own investigation agency called "Global Investigations". In Spring 1990 we were hired by "Friends of Animals" to investigate and document allegations of abuse on fur farms in America. For the next eleven months we worked undercover and infiltrated the industry as prospective fur ranchers and were witness to horrible conditions on mink, fox, bobcat, lynx, and chinchilla farms throughout the United States.

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In December of 1990 we purchased Campbell's Fur Farm in Montana where we had witnessed the worst abuse and immediately transferred the 66 mink, bobcats and lynx to a rehabilitation site in Washington State. At this same time, friends and I formed the "Coalition Against Fur Farms" to disseminate the information and evidence gathered in our eleven month investigation some of which was aired on the news program "60 Minutes"

in 1991. The sixty-six animals in our care were nursed back to health, rehabilitated and released back into their native habitat. We then issued a press release accepting responsibility and invited authorities to press charges if we had broken any law. There were never any charges filed.

When the Animal Liberation Front began a direct action campaign against the fur industry, various media representatives asked CAFF for information about the fur farm industry. I obliged, did numerous interviews and was quickly identified by the FBI and fur farmers as Jim Perez, the fur farmer from Oregon. I began to receive death threats in the fall of 1991 and so decided to do some backpacking before winter set in. When the threats continued, and were acknowledged by the FBI I decided to lie low with other indians on various reservations across the country.

During this time I became involved with native issues to protect the land, and helped identify the religious as well as ecological benefits of native lands restoration. In 1993 I moved to Tucson, Arizona to be near my Yaqui culture and people and became involved with the traditional religious ceremonies of our people. On Christmas Eve 1993 I became a member of the Wikoi Yau üra, or Bow Leaders, the traditional Yaqui warrior society. As a member it is our responsibility to protect the culture, people and lands of our tribe.

In 1994 I began volunteering my services to the Yoemem Tekia Foundation who are entrusted by the tribe to preserve the culture. I immediately became aware to the threat posed to our culture and youth by drugs, alcohol and gang activity, so with the approval of various traditional elders began a weekly youth retreat to expose Yaqui kids to our still living culture and heritage. The Yoeme Nation Youth Junta taught desert survival skills, demonstrated traditional dance, showed educational videos on indigenous issues, provided a free healthy meal, elders told stories of our ancestors struggles to retain cultural identity, made traditional arts and crafts, and most importantly stressed the importance of maintaining a pure life free from the poisons of drugs, alcohol, or violence.

This work was the pinnacle of my career as an advocate for peace and justice. I had returned home to my people. My elders and other traditionals welcomed me into their lives and gave me back my family. All my lessons learned, and friends made in other movements were welcome and people began to have hope. My elder Anselmo Valencia welcomed me as he would his own son, and taught me lessons of respect, love and understanding that only an elder can. In ceremonies we danced to our fallen warriors of the past, and to our animal relations whom are our sisters and brothers. We began to build bridges with non-native environmentalists and joined them in their resistance to the desecration of sacred places on our earth mother.

The Federal gov't. call me a threat to the community. They want to jail me for 56 years though I've never hurt anyone or caused loss of life. I am innocent of the charges laid against me. I have lived my life as my elders taught me. I have practiced my traditional religion. It is against my ethics as a human being to stand witness to atrocities against life without speaking out. I only want to live with my people and help fight the skyrocketing levels of domestic violence, alcoholism, drug abuse, suicide, and gang violence. I want to pursue a life of peace where the hand of friendship is extended to all, even my captors and persecutors.

If the above mentioned facts can be seen as a crime, then I would rather spend the rest of my life in jail than retract a single contribution I've made. I have an obligation as a Bow Leader of the Yaqui Nation. I made a pledge to give my life to the people, and to the creations we live with. I must remember the sacrifices made by my ancestors of not long ago. The raped women, the babies whose heads were smashed against tree trunks, the men hung with barbed wire, the women and children who in 1910 by the hundreds plunged off of cliffs rather than be taken prisoner at a place called Masacoba.

It is year 502 of the Invader and still he cannot live in peace with the children of earth. We want friendship not anger, love not hate, respect not desecration. Please join me. Stand together as sisters and brothers, do not forget the lessons of our grandmothers. Let us live in harmony. Enough blood has been spilled, too many loved ones sacrificed. Remember that we are all related, all children of the same earth mother. I love you all, and will die if necessary so that others may live. With prayers for the Rebirth.

In Her Service,
Rod Coronado
Wikoi Yau üra
Pascua Yaqui Tribe



ANIMAL LIBERATION PRISONER SUPPORT

North America

LISE OLSEN B48426
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In November 1992, Chicago activist Lise Olsen was arrested at her home. Earlier that year, on the US "Independence Day", Lise had hung 21 home-made lanterns fueled with a very small amount of gasoline near a railroad trestle to illuminate a 30-foot red, white and blue "Freedom" banner suspended over a pro-fur billboard painted on the metal siding of a railway overpass. Lise had designed these lanterns to burn like small torches, for about five minutes, and then go out.

In her latest letter to the ALFSG, Lise writes, "It seems important to mention...that I did a July 4 Independence Day Action. I guess most people know that means lots of fireworks, that was my idea to make a "Spirit of 1776" connection with the lanterns. Like an old-timey, authentic look."

Only one of the lanterns actually lit; it burned for five minutes with a very small flame. Because most of the lanterns had failed to light, Lise decided it was useless to take pictures for the media, and removed her banner. Lise has an immune deficiency called Chronic Fatigue Syndrome and felt physically unable to remove the 21 lanterns, so she left them there. Four months later, she was arrested for attempted arson, and released on a \$20,000 bond.

According to Lise, "although I denied it categorically, the detective who arrested me, Robert Schatzel, told the media and the Grand Jury that I had confessed to it. The terrible media I received convicted me before my trial. When the detective was challenged by my attorney at my trial to produce the supposed signed confession, of course he couldn't. he just said he had made an 'error' about it."

Lise describes her July 1994 trial as a "farce" and lists countless procedural "irregularities", including manipulation of evidence, use of past records and fingerprints that were ordered expunged when charges against Lise were dropped (from an attempted animal liberation years ago), and obvious judicial bias. The prosecution's manipulation of the evidence included placing the lanterns in plastic bags labelled "BOMB" in large red letters. Despite a military explosives consultant's testimony that the lanterns were candles, not incendiaries, Lise was convicted of possession of incendiary devices, manufacture of incendiary devices, and unlawful use of a weapon, i.e. possession of more than 3 teaspoonfuls of gasoline.

After her conviction Lise spent over a month in appalling conditions at the Cook County Jail, awaiting sentencing. During this time she undertook a hunger strike in protest of her incarceration as a political prisoner. On August 31, Lise was sentenced to four years imprisonment and ordered to pay a \$1000 fine.

In Lise's words, "My case rests on the fact that I manufactured illuminating devices which were distorted by the prosecution to be called incendiary devices, simply in order to convict me and make an example of me as an animal rights activist, although they did not burn anything." (underlining as in original letter).

Since Lise's conviction, she has had to spend massive energy and time fighting further attempts to harass her from behind bars.

"I...have serious security problems. Although I live on a minimum security unit, my official status is still 'pending'. As long as this continues, the necessary paperwork even to get on the work release waiting list (5 mo. long at this prison, much shorter at other Illinois prisons) cannot be submitted. Howard Peters [Director of Illinois Corrections-ed.] has already received appeal letters in response to the appeal I sent out. In an answer to one of them, it was stated that I had been charges with 'Possession of Explosives'! I almost fainted with shock. My trial attorney, Barry Gross, had told me there was nothing more they could do to hurt me now that they had sentenced me to prison—at least it was over. Surprise! My sole charge now consolidated at my sentencing, is 'Possession of Incendiary Devices'. And a match, gas oven, lantern, etc, can all potentially be these. But explosives?! That is NOT on my mittimus (court papers)..."

"The prosecutor (State's attorney) submitted an 'Official Statement of Facts' to the Records Office here. All this on Oct. 12. In it he stated my action as 'July 4', never mentioning the year, as if it had happened this year and of course OMITTING the bit about free on bond for 2 years. Then he said the banner had never been recovered—and it was submitted into evidence at my trial! He specifically stated I had 'endangered the lives of children' and held up traffic (the latter was laboriously ad nauseam belabored at my trial—as if that was the real charge against me). The 'endangering children' bit can have terribly serious consequences. People who have done violent crimes (ie murder, reckless homicide, heinous battery, child pornography) are not eligible for a 2nd '3 months good time' off their sentences. One such charge is 'endangering the life or health of a child.' By putting this in, he is attempting to not let me be awarded this good time. He also recommended I not get early release."

One of the prisonrats, Sgt. Kinkaid, is doing what he can do make Lise's time more difficult. When Lise's boyfriend visited Lise, they embraced—and within prison guidelines—and the staff promptly terminated the visit and ordered Lise's boyfriend to leave. Kinkaid then ordered Lise be charged with "sexual misconduct" and receive a 7-day cell lock as a punishment—the sexual misconduct charge was later dropped, but the punishment remains on Lise's record. This could mean a higher security classification or problems for Lise when she applies for work release.

To make matters worse, despite a second visit with her boyfriend with no problems, on Oct 12 the warden issued a memo that her boyfriend could not visit her for three months.

LISE OLSEN

Lise's boyfriend was never notified of this and arrived the following week with a box of Lise's clothes. The usual procedure is to put a box of clothes in the prisoner's personal property, unopened, to be opened in the prisoner's presence—Sgt. Kinkaid decided to deviate from the regular procedure and ordered Lise's box of clothes opened; he then denied them because of a questionable custom-painted towel design. (!)

As of Oct 24, Lise was told she could no longer walk outside because her minimum security classification was still "pending". No recognition was given to the fact that she had been walking outside for 33 days, without problems, while living on the minimum security unit.

Despite two court orders for a vegetarian diet, Lise is not getting a proper diet.

HOW YOU CAN HELP LISE

In addition to the usual prisoner support (writing to the prisoner, fundraising, sending reading materials, etc) Lise has asked that people help by:

- 1) Circulating petitions that read "We, the undersigned, support clemency in the form of release to work release and/or reduction of sentence for Lise Olsen, a non-violent activist who is no threat to the community, does an unusual amount of community volunteer work, and who has proved her commitment to a legal, constructive lifestyle during the two years she was free on bond prior to incarceration. We believe in her good character and honorable intentions." Send filled petitions to the North American ALFSG—we will pass them on to Lise, the Warden, the head of Illinois Corrections, other government officials, etc.
- 2) Writing to the Warden and to the Director of Illinois Department of Corrections, requesting that Lise be assigned to work release and listed for electronic detention immediately. State that Lise is non-violent, etc. as in the petition wording above. Also mention that Lise is imprisoned for an action that never caused any property damage or harm to any life and never seriously posed a threat in either of these regards; also that Lise suffers from Chronic Fatigue Syndrome and her health will continue to deteriorate the longer she is incarcerated. Send copies of these letters to Lise and to the North American ALFSG—please do NOT send your only copy directly to the jail, we need to make sure Lise actually gets the letters for her appeals.

LISE'S ADDRESSES

Warden Gwen
Thornton: PO Box
5001, Dwight, IL,
60420 USA

Howard Peters III,
Director, Illinois
Dept of Corrections:
1301 Concordia
Court, PO Box
19277, Springfield,
IL, 62794-9277
USA

DAVID BARBARASH & KIM TRIMIEW RELEASED!

On August 29, Kim Trimiew was finally released after spending more than 6 months in the Spokane County Jail for refusing to testify before a Spokane Grand Jury. Kim's 193 days in jail marked a significant increase in length of incarceration for refusing to testify before a Grand Jury: of the five people (three of them in Spokane) other than Kim who have been jailed since 1989 for not talking to Grand Juries about the A.L.F., none have served over 5 months. This was Kim's second time around; in October she was jailed for 2 weeks for refusing to testify before a different grand jury. Deborah Stout, who also refused to testify and was sent to jail at the same time as Kim, was released in July. Both Kim and Deb were released on the grounds that the incarceration was obviously not going to persuade them to talk to the Grand Jury and was,

instead, being used to punish them for crimes they had never been charged with.

On September 8, David Barbarash pled guilty to a lesser charge of "accessory after the fact" and was sentenced to 200 community service hours and a suspended sentence of 18 months probation. He was released later that day. David, a Canadian activist, was arrested in the USA in May after successfully avoiding Canadian police for almost 2 years. He originally faced three charges stemming from a 1992 A.L.F. raid on the University of Alberta, where 29 cats were freed an estimated \$22,000 damage caused to the lab. David was held without bail for a month in various American jails, then deported to Canada and held for another 3 months. This was David's second A.L.F.-related conviction.

Oct. 19 FULL MOON ○

Since the last full moon I have again had tears of anger and sorrow. Rod was arrested on September 28 in Arizona. Once again they've locked up another warrior. The wheels of the 'Just-Us' system try to trample another one.

In just so coincidental timing Security here has told me they're holding back magazines, newsletters and newsclippings sent to me!? Taking away one of the biggest things keeping me happy. I've been on the dreaded telephone (they haven't taken that away, yet). Keeping up to date and more often than not keeping others up to date.

I've seen egos and attitudes come out of the woodwork in the last three weeks. It's made me quite angry, sad and frustrated that some people can't work together even when someone needs them most. All too many people and groups (big and small) seem to need to control as much as they can. If you can't for just this one time do as Rod has asked, "...put petty differences aside, time to hold each others hands TOGETHER" then stand back, shut-up and let others do what needs to be done. Rod's trial will be next year some time and I expect a fair amount of people will be subpoenaed. How many of you will refuse to testify for the so called just-us system? It's time to start gathering your strength and support soon, you may need it.

Most of you know the FBI's "Cointelpro" tactics of the past. Beware they still go on, probably more than ever. You can be sure they're just loving it as some of us argue, fight and spread rumors. Beware of what you hear and be even more careful of what you say.

I've been trying to keep as busy as possible both physically and mentally. The time has been going by fairly quickly which I'm thankful for. When times are tough I've always told myself 'it could be worse'. I'm surviving and look forward to the day when I can once again be with the mountains and trees.

Darren Thurston

One last word regarding the North American A.L.F. Supporters Group. At the moment but one person does 80%+ of the day to day work. That person is unpaid and yet regularly puts in 8-12 hour days doing support work. Their office has been broken into and computer equipment and files stolen and they're still doing more work than ever. With so many people imprisoned this year in North America the SG has been forced to borrow approx. \$2000 to cover costs of support work. Any help in raising money in your area or personal donations will help the SG support those of us inside.

Darren Thurston FSCC, Bag 10-7802 101 St., Fort Saskatchewan, AB, T8L 2P3 Canada

Darren is approx. 6 1/2 months into the 2-year sentence he received from the Alberta Court of Appeal in May 94, after the Crown Prosecutor successfully appealed Darren's original sentence and release from jail last year. In September 1993, after serving 14 1/2 months pre-trial time in the Edmonton Remand Hellhole, Darren was convicted of charges relating to two A.L.F. actions in Edmonton that caused over \$70,000 in damages: an arson at Billingsgate Fish Company and the liberation of 29 cats from the University of Alberta/severe damage to the lab. He was originally sentenced to time served and ordered to pay almost \$75,000 in restitution. He is still having some trouble receiving certain mail items but as of late October some magazines and newsletters were getting through.

Sept. 5 New Moon

...early one morning I lie very still, I'm under a pine tree my whole body pressed into the earth. I'd been there for six hours already, watching the Eilerslie Research Station, a University of Alberta animal laboratory. When all of a sudden a field mouse ran over my hand and stopped to stare at me, this strange one lying under a tree with binoculars and a radio to his ear. It talked but a short moment and went back on it's way, needless to say I didn't understand what it said but it moved me. It made me think again of my commitment to the earth and just why I'd been lying under a pine tree eight hours a night for seven days straight. Later that week I helped liberate 29 cats and damage equipment in that laboratory.

Unfortunately not all stories end up happy, nineteen days later I was arrested by the RCMP. Fortunately 29 cats are still out there, living their lives in loving and caring homes. I spent 15 months locked up awaiting trial and finally in September '93 I was given a suspended sentence, two years probation and ordered to pay \$73,725 restitution. The state was not impressed, they wanted blood oops I mean three more years prison time and immediately appealed the judge's sentence. On May 12 '94 after a very short eight months of freedom the Alberta Court of Appeals issued a written decision sentencing me to an additional two years less a day. On Friday the 13th after saying many tearful goodbyes, I took the long walk and turned myself in.

I'm well into my government vacation now and I've just recently been transferred to "the fort" which is definitely nicer than the last two government resorts. Not to say it's all been fun, I'm not too happy to be

back inside after only eight months out, but I've gotten used to my temporary home. I think of it as a strengthening process, one where we can harden ourselves in our struggle. For the battle has begun and it is not going to be easy. More people will go underground. And more people will go to prison, in England activists are serving four, six, ten year sentences. Yet actions there continue unabated. Sisters and Brothers (mothers, fathers, uncles, aunts, and even second removed cousins), earth and animal warriors we must join hands with others fighting for their own liberation. You must realize that we all have tremendous power, it takes but one person to cost them millions. When you see the pictures of a masked liberator, stop asking who's behind the mask and look in the mirror!

Many thanks to all those that have written me during my time inside, it sure helps me survive. And to the few people that have travelled thousands of miles and put hundreds of hours into my support, a huge thank you. To those on the front lines, stay strong, stay free, and keep fighting the good fight.

Clenched Fist Salutations,
Darren Thurston

DARREN THURSTON

ANIMAL LIBERATION PRISONER SUPPORT

England

KEITH MANN EE3588

HMP Wandsworth, PO Box 757, 23 Heathfield Rd, Wandsworth, London SW18 3HS England

In June 1992, Keith Mann and Vivien Smith pled guilty to attempted arson at Madstone Crown Court. Because he was also facing charges in the Manchester conspiracy case (with Allison McKeon, Max Watson, and Terry Helsby), his sentence was deferred until the Manchester case was concluded. When Keith found himself unattended in an unlocked police van last year, he decided to take a vacation from being interviewed by the police and took off. In the early morning of April 8, police officers raided the Celia Hammond Animal Trust Sanctuary in East Sussex, and arrested Angie Hamp (another activist on the lam) and Keith Mann.

After being remanded to HMP Holloway, Keith was classified as an "A" category prisoner and as such faces extremely strict regulations (see sidebar). He also has had to deal with all the idiotic rules applying to all prisoners who attempt or succeed in escaping from custody. Several months after his incarceration, Keith's "high escape risk" status was dropped so he no longer has to put lovely yellow-striped clothes outside his cell at night.

On June 10, Keith was "properly" convicted of the 1992 arson charges and received even more rules and regs, this time for convicted prisoners—which means visits must be accompanied by Visiting Orders (V.O.), with one V.O. issued per week. As of November, Keith was still having severe problems getting visits. Most visitors have been denied, apparently for no reason other than to harass Keith.

In early November he was moved from Manchester to London pending a court appearance.

GURJEET AUJLA

**HV2047
HMP Birmingham,
Winson Green Road,
Birmingham, B18 4AS**

On June 3, Gurj was arrested at his home. He was questioned over the weekend and was then formally charged with "Conspiracy to cause explosions" on June 6. He has been classified as an "A" category prisoner, like Keith Mann, and as such faces extremely strict regulations (see sidebar). Only family have been allowed to see Gurj, in closed visits. Despite this, Gurj says "apart from hassle over visits...it's not a problem, I've got a single cell and I'm in good spirits."

DAVE CALLENDER HV3314

GREG AVERY HV3313

**HMP Birmingham, Winson Green Road,
Birmingham, B18 4AS, England**

(Write to each separately; do NOT address envelope to both)

On October 21 Dave and Greg were remanded to HMP Birmingham after being charged with "conspiracy to cause criminal damage". They had both been arrested a few days earlier near Cambridge, on bicycles & wearing backpacks. Nothing which could be called "illegal" was found on them but they were arrested and taken to Cambridge Police Station. Later that day they were released on police bail only to be re-arrested immediately by the West Midlands police, who took them both to Birmingham. They have been arrested in connection with a raid on a house which neither of them live at, where items which could be used to make incendiaries have been found—and were accused of a "bomb-making factory"! No actual incendiaries were located and no other persons have been arrested. Both have been remanded for a week and will appear in court again on October 28. The day after being put in remand, they were put into "A" category status (see sidebar), like Gurjeet Aujla and Keith Mann; they have since been lowered to a less restrictive security status. This is Dave Callender's second time in jail (first time—1985).

COLIN CHATFIELD CB2966

**HMP Acklington, Acklington, Morpeth,
Northumberland, NE65 9XF, England**

In early October Colin was sentenced to 121 days (approx. 4 months) in prison by Barrow-in-Furness magistrates court, for sending a hoax bomb call to a branch of Boots the Chemist (vivisectors). If all goes well he will be released on November 25. This is the third time Colin has been imprisoned for animal liberation actions and he has vowed to continue upon his release.



"A" STATUS—STATUS QUO FOR NEW ANIMAL LIBERATION PRISONERS?

Four animal liberation prisoners, Gurjeet Aujla, Keith Mann, Dave Callender, and Greg Avery, were classified as "A" category prisoners after their arrest. In a letter in the *UK ALFSG Newsletter*, Keith writes, "Exactly why I've been Cat 'A'd hasn't been officially explained (more secrets) but I was told it's because I've been accused of causing explosions; not charged, just accused and bailed..."

All four of these animal lib prisoners who were put in "A" category are in remand, i.e. have not been convicted/sentenced. According to the UK ALFSG, "It seems clear that it is being used to victimize animal liberation prisoners and to make their time in prison that more unpleasant."

Dave and Greg were recently given a lower security category.

Keith's description of "A" status is: he is escorted every time he leaves his cell; all his movements around the prison are written down; all visitors must be checked out by the police and issued passes (most of Keith's visitors have been refused); all phone calls are taped and filed, and, along with all letters, passed on to the feds; and he is not allowed to go to the gym or to education. We can only assume that Gurj is under similar restrictions.

"A" category is supposedly for prisoners who are violent and/or likely to break out of prison using extreme force, with or without outside help. It is usually reserved for IRA prisoners, armed robbers, and other members of organized crime. These four are the first animal liberation prisoners to be given "A" status since Ronnie Lee; will category "A" be the status quo for animal lib prisoners from here on in?

NEW PRISONERS

ANIMAL LIBERATION PRISONER SUPPORT

England

ANGIE HAMP TW1687

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About 2 1/2 years ago, Angie decided against appearing in court for animal liberation charges and went on the run. In the early morning of April 8, police officers raided the Celia Hammond Animal Trust Sanctuary in East Sussex, and arrested Angie Hamp and Keith Mann (another activist on the lam).

Angie faced many charges. Her first, the Swalesmoor fur farm investigation, ended favorably when she was found not guilty. Her co-defendants fared similarly, either acquittals or extremely light sentences—no jail terms.

Pleas on other charges were arranged prior to sentencing. Angie pleaded not guilty to violent disorder but guilty to affray (for an incident concerning a huntsman), and not guilty to conspiracy to commit criminal damage but guilty to conspiracy to cause arson.

On September 30 Angie went to court for sentencing. According to another animal lib prisoner, "if she gets 4 years she will be quite happy but that's hoping they run the sentences for different charges together rather than one after the other." Angie did indeed get 4 years: 3 years for conspiracy to commit arson (for which Annette Tibbles is serving four years), 6 months for affray, and 6 months for breach of bail on three counts (i.e. failing to appear in court). All in all this is lighter than expected!

She is still facing the police's threat of charges for a raid on London Hospital. She was originally arrested for actions in Hastings (against Boots, some trucks, and for items sent through the mail) but apparently Keith Mann will be the only one charged for these

ANNETTE TIBBLES TT2215

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Annette is serving a 4 year sentence for conspiracy to commit arson against animal abusers.

Dear Friends,

Things here are pretty good. P & O ferries have finally decided that they won't transport animals to Europe for slaughter and they handle 60% of the trade, so the other companies are making noises like they will be following. It's been a long campaign, but at least we have won. Kind of a strange victory though — even though the 100's of thousands of animals won't suffer long journeys & slaughter with barbaric methods outlawed here — they will still die at the end of the day. Most of the transport lorry firms are the ones regularly attacked by ALF—have to move on to other things haha. So maybe we will be seeing more varied targets soon.

Thanks for your newsletter—very professional looking and a good read. Nice to know that you are so busy over there too. I'll keep sending you cuttings as things happen.

love & liberation

Annette

Hello to my friends in America. Just wanted to let you know that we prisoners are doing OK and say thanks for your letters and news. Personally, I am doing really well. Now that Angie is with me and quite happy about getting 4 years (as opposed to 6 or more) I have started to clear my head and get some work done. With only 6 months to parole I have been allowed out 5 days a week to attend college and am studying media. It's all practical stuff that I can put to use in the future — editing video, Black & white photography, computerised magazine layout etc. Only a couple of months ago I even went on a course and learned rock climbing/abseiling/canoeing. They don't seem to have considered that rock climbing may be useful for my future lawbreaking ha ha!

There has been some wonderful support from around the world too, and I am beginning to feel just how big our movement is. I am first with all the gossip about actions and victories and do my best to pass it all on to others. There are a few things I have to tell you about, like the ban the ferry companies have put on carrying live animals to slaughter in Europe. It's been a long hard campaign but we have won massive public support and a response from the companies. Now all we have to do is get the population to go veggie and stop the murder for good. You gotta aim high! There has also been some aiming high on the High Streets—in the last 3 months Oxford, Isle of Wight, and York have all lost £2 million in fire damage at animal abuse shops. There have also been two major riots in central London at protests at a new law—The Criminal Justice Bill. The bill will affect all forms of protest and most 'alternative' lifestyles (ie squatters, travellers - new age and gypsies, rave parties and gatherings) plus it takes away the right to silence when questioned by the police and makes people trespassers potentially everywhere. People are at last waking up to what the State is planning and there is a lot of dissent around.

Sometimes I really miss being out there and joining in! Ah well, we'll be back. All the prisoners over here are in good spirits and no-one is in the least bit changed by the experience of prison—except a little bit wiser of course. Talk about a university of crime! Anyone want to know how to hot wire a car.....

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These three prisoners were jailed in October 1993 following a lengthy and very expensive conspiracy trial in Manchester. The charges related to alleged damage (tens of thousands of dollars) against a zoo and various butchers' shops. Co-defendant Keith Mann was able to escape from police before the trial got under way but was captured earlier this year (see Keith update above). Terry Helsby was sentenced to 3 1/2 years, Max Watson received 3 years, and Allison was given a 2 year sentence. In December 1993 the remaining defendant, a woman who had been sentenced to two years in prison, was released by the Court of Appeal. Shortly after sentencing, one of the prisoners commented, "Our case was quite exceptional, so we had been dealt with particularly severely. The judge had to compensate for the millions of pounds spent on investigation and legal procedures."

On April 29, the High Court announced that all the appeals had been rejected by the first Judge at leave to appeal. Max Watson writes, in a letter to the UK ALFSG, "He said that: The Judge was entitled to impose a deterrent sentence of 3 years imprisonment for this planned and vicious conspiracy. What exactly he means by vicious I'm not exactly sure, except to say that through the eyes of a bigoted fuck-head anything goes when talking down to us criminals." (from UK ALFSG Newsletter Summer 94)

The charges against Allison from the Swalesmoor fur farm investigation ended favorably when she was found not guilty. All other defendants were either found not guilty or received extremely light sentences (no jail terms).

PHIL DESOUZA EJ3496

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Phil Desouza, an animal rights activist and well-known hunt saboteur, was imprisoned after pleading guilty to charges relating to anti-fascist activities and events surrounding the demonstration against the new Criminal Justice Bill in Hyde Park in early November. He is currently awaiting sentencing.

PAUL S. c/o EYFA

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In early 1994, Paul S., a Dutch activist, was convicted of 18 counts of criminal damage relating to environmental actions. He was originally sentenced to 5 years imprisonment, but the state then turned around and tried to have Paul classified as "insane", which could have meant a life sentence. We are still trying to confirm the latest details but as far as we know Paul was classed as "partially insane" and placed in a mental hospital. Paul desperately needs international support. We are pleased to announce that in response to Paul's incarceration, the Earth Liberation Front in Holland has stepped up their activities (see diary of actions).

MILTON BORN WITH A TOOTH

In September 1994, Lonefighter Society leader Milton Born With A Tooth was sentenced to 16 months in jail for firing two shots into the air during the Sept 1990 Alberta Govt/RCMP invasion of the Peigan Nation.

Milton Born With A Tooth and the Lonefighter Society of the Peigan Nation have been vigorously resisting the construction of a dam on the Oldman River, in Peigan territory, for over four years. The development of the Oldman River Dam has been marked not only by usurpation of Peigan sovereignty and jurisdiction, but also by extreme examples of federal and provincial government corruption and a refusal

to even follow their own environmental regulations. In March 1994 the Alberta Environment Ministry was found by the courts to have made fraudulent misrepresentations in the construction of the Paddle River dam in central Alberta during the early 1980s—the same government staff responsible for this dam are responsible for the Oldman River Dam.

In the summer of 1990 the Lonefighter Society began digging channels to return the Oldman River back into its original bed by diverting it around a canal constructed by the Lethbridge Northern Irrigation District. On September 6 1990, provincial officials and 50-80 fully armed and camouflaged RCMP "tactical squad" officers invaded Peigan land and surrounded the Lonefighter Society camp. Two shots were fired into the air to warn the RCMP that they were trespassing. On September 12, Milton Born With A Tooth was arrested and jailed for over three months before obtaining bail.

In March 1991, Milton Born With A Tooth was convicted on 7 fire-arm charges stemming from the two shots being fired into the air and was sentenced to serve 18 months. An appeal of the decision was immediately launched. In September 1992, the Alberta Court of Appeal granted Milton Born With A Tooth a new trial. Alberta's chief justice instructed that 50% of the panel from which the jury be selected be Native people. In May 1993, Justice Willis O'Leary refused to allow the selection of a jury from a panel of 25 Native and non-Native people selected by the sheriff's office.

In March 1994, a 12-member jury found Milton Born With A Tooth guilty after an unusual handling of a "hung jury" verdict. After four days of deliberating, one juror refused to agree. After the verdict was read, the judge immediately returned the jury to its deliberations and after another 90 minutes the guilty verdict was returned.

In November 1994, Milton Born With A Tooth announced he will appeal the trial and sentence to the Alberta Court of Appeal. **\$13,000 must be raised** to pay for court transcripts. Over \$8000 has already been raised. Cheques are payable to the Mother Earth Defense Fund.

Lorraine Sinclair, of the Mother Earth Defense Fund, writes, "Milton should not be in jail—the politicians who made the decisions to construct the Oldman dam without an environmental assessment, sent in armed police officers to trespass on Peigan territory and who continue to violate FEARO (Federal Environ-

MARK DAVIS #23106-008

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Mark Davis is the only remaining defendant in the Arizona Five case who is still in prison. The Arizona Five (Mark, Peg Millett, Marc Baker, Ilse Asplund, and Dave Foreman) went on trial in June 1991 for allegedly participating in "ecoterrorist" conspiracies to cut down a power line providing power to a nuclear power plant. The Five were set up by FBI Special Agent Mike Fain and other FBI agents. Mark's release date (no parole) is June 1995, four years after being imprisoned in 1991. His co-defendant Peg Millett spent the last several months of her 2-year jail time in a halfway house; Mark similarly expected to get his last 4-6 months in a transitional work-furlough type program, as is standard for nonviolent inmates with a record of good behavior. Mark recently learned that he will only be granted 2 months in a halfway house, which means he faces another 7 months in prison. This is a great disappointment. Please let Mark know he is not forgotten and offer encouragement.

WAYNE CODY LASSELL D71733

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Cody is incarcerated in Pelican Bay, one of the most horrific maximum security jails in the USA. He is kept in a 7' x 10' cell for 22 1/2 hours a day, and the entire prison is under intense security regulations. Cody writes "I'm not surprised you've heard of the conditions here at Pelican Bay. Just last wed. another prisoner was shot and killed for fighting with another prisoner. We have been on full scale lockdown since the incident, but this means little more than we are locked in our cells 24 hours a day, rather than 22 hours a day. the rate of violence here is unbelievable. It's nearly an everyday occurrence. So perhaps you appreciate the discomfort it is for a non-meat eating, non-violent person such as ourselves (the few that are among the 4000 men here)."

Cody describes himself as "a long time animal rights activist and a die hard supporter of all earth first causes...My love is with all of you that dedicate yourselves to the movement. He has been arrested at various civil disobedience actions.

Cody has not asked for any money; as he says, "my first and most important need/desire is to be remembered and cared about. In my situation, this means letters. Someone who thinks they have little to share, would be so desired and such a joy to someone who spends 22+ hours every day of his life in the confines of a small cell." He has also asked for postcards and photographs of wildlife to put up in his cell. He can receive 5 postcards or 12 photographs at a time, sent in a manila envelope. He can also use writing tablets, envelopes, American stamps, and magazine subscriptions (which must be sent directly from the publishers or bookstores).

Let Cody know that he is remembered by kindred spirits. He has never made any pretensions to be incarcerated for animal liberation charges (unlike Anthony Miller, for example) and we are certain from our correspondence that he is not looking to milk the movement (unlike Anthony Miller).

"It's important to me to lastly express my love, pride, and appreciation to one and all who dedicate their time in efforts to help those unable to help themselves." - Cody

-mental Assessment Review Office) Panel recommendations are the ones who should be prosecuted. As an indigenous person, Milton had every right to protect and defend his territory."

Milton Born With A Tooth has asked Lorraine Sinclair of the Mother Earth Healing Society to coordinate a campaign and defense fund on his behalf. The Mother Earth Defense Fund is "being set up to support indigenous people who protect and defend Mother Earth in conflict with the Canadian legal system." - Lorraine Sinclair

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From this issue onward, *Underground* will include an expanded "prisoner support" section, to look at not only how we can help people imprisoned for animal liberation action, but also at what is going on in prisons in North America today and inform ourselves about how we can assist with prisoner struggles for justice, freedom, and dignity. Initial issues will cover struggles within specific prisons that are among the worst of the worst in North America.

editorial

BEHIND BARS: ANTI-PRISON WORK AS PART OF ANIMAL LIBERATION

This issue features articles about Lucasville; the struggle against control units will be featured in the next issue, including information about Pelican Bay.

I am anticipating receiving letters saying "stick to animal issues" so I wanted to head some of these letters off at the pass and, at the same time, explain a little about the direction the North American ALFSG is heading in right now.

What does the slogan "animal liberation=human liberation" really mean? Most animal liberation activists I have talked with see it as a reminder that humans cannot be free until animals are free. I tend to see it from another angle—that a commitment to animal liberation reminds us that all animals must be freed from their cages.

This sentiment is echoed by John Winter in the summer issue of the UK ALFSG newsletter: "How can we in the Animal Rights movement even hope for society to accept that other species have rights, when due to negative influences, a significant number of people have trouble in even accepting that groups within their own species have rights? Those involved in direct action should consider widening their scope of targets ... an 'Animal Liberation Front' should aim to liberate ALL animals." A short time later the Justice Department delivered an incendiary device to the headquarters of the fascist British National Party (an openly racist, neo-nazi political party in England).

There are some specific distinctions between (non-human) animal liberation struggles and human liberation struggles. That said, there are some obvious similarities between the work to free animals and the work to free prisoners. Prisoners are "dehumanized" -- treated like animals -- imprisoned in cages and subject to brutality, slavery for the corporate captors' profit, and, in some cases, experimentation, torture, and murder. Keep in mind that this is not Guatemala, China, or any other country we hear about so much about for human rights violations -- it is happening here, in North America, where prisons provide incredible profits for powerful industries.

It is not a question of taking pity on prisoners. We on the outside can learn a lot from people who are incarcerated. Many prison activists put their freedom and their lives on the line every day in their struggles for dignity and justice. A.L.F. and other animal liberation activists put their freedom, and in some cases their lives, on the line in the struggle for justice for animals. We can learn from prisoners about how to resist in the most brutal and hopeless of conditions.

I hope that people within the animal liberation movement are open to discussion and analysis about human liberation movements that are connected with (non-human) animal liberation. If you want to see *Underground* cover why vivisection, the meat industry, etc. are bad then you are probably reading the wrong magazine. We are assuming that anyone who picks up this magazine has a basic level of awareness and support for animal liberation. What we are trying to do with *Underground* is use it as a communication tool, to cover some new ground with the intention of contributing to the constant process of broadening and refining our analysis so that we become

more effective activists.

Working on analysis does not mean sitting on our asses and intellectualizing so we do not have to take action (oh no, it's the Animal Deliberation Front!). It means looking at our mistakes, our successes, and the work of other liberation movements and determining what we should change about the work we do so that we avoid the pitfalls set for us by our own egos and the state, corporations, and those who would otherwise like to see us become a fragmented, ineffective clique.

I do not want to defend my personal politics, since I think the time could be better spent in other ways. But I do want to make it clear that I, and other people working on the NA-ALFSG, have a particular orientation that does determine the direction of the SG and the direction of this magazine. We come

to the SG from a context of working in a range of social justice and environmental (and of course animal) liberation struggles. All of us see connections between these different "issues".

I know that some of you will disagree with the expansion of animal liberation to include so-called "human-centred" liberation. I would hope that this movement is big enough to include diversity and different kinds of analysis and commitment. The goals of animal liberation are too urgent and serious to waste time and energy arguing with each other about what "true" animal liberation is, or what a "true" activist is.

That said, if you disagree with the direction *Underground* or the ALFSG is heading in, then write and let us know. Without your feedback it is difficult to know whether or not we are doing a good job. Please remember that it is difficult to have any kind of dialogue with people who are making accusations based on judgments about ideological purity (we would hope this is obvious, but judging by some of the letters we get, apparently not).

Animal liberation activists who include humans in their definition of animal liberation and animal liberationists who prefer to focus on non-human animals need not be enemies. We do not need to slag each other off and boast about who is more committed or righteous or more purely allied with the animals. To do so accomplishes not much more than diverting energy away from the

enormous tasks at hand: to work our asses off towards the goal of animal liberation, and assist each other in freeing animals from their cages.

Eddie Tor



SUNDAY, BLOODY SUNDAY -- THE LUCASVILLE RIOTS

article by John Perotti

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On Easter Sunday at the Southern Ohio Correctional Facility (SOCF) located in Lucasville, Ohio, the years of oppression exploded into a full-blown riot. For all familiar with the treatment and conditions there it was long overdue. Brutality, Racism, Murder, and inhumane treatment have been documented with the state and federal courts as well as with Amnesty International and other human rights organizations -- yet the prisonrats just kept tightening the screws without letup. Years of whitewashing by the state legislative watchdog committee (Correctional Institution Inspection Committee) didn't help.

The CIIC in 1990 called for a full-scale investigation into conditions at Lucasville which they turned into a political fiasco by creating an 800-member Aryan Brotherhood and, focusing on that aspect, saying the AB controlled gambling, drugs and prostitution inside the prison -- no mention was made of the other factions and the fallacy about the AB called for a full-scale investigation by the State Highway Patrol after the FBI, SHP and CIIC had just investigated allegations of two black prisoners being killed by white guards for touching a white nurse. All the SHP did was twist and turn their investigation to cover for the guards' and prisonrats' illegal activities and call for more security and guards to be hired as well as putting the prison on semi-lockdown, creating more tension and oppression that led to the events of the Bloody Easter Sunday Riot.

The failure of the courts and legislature to provide relief from the oppressive conditions, coupled with the constant harassment and retaliation against prisoners who tried to use the legal avenues to address the everyday constitutional violations (the judges, politicians and even prisonrats pay lip service to the public about how prisoners should and are encouraged to use the courts and grievance system to air complaints and violations -- while in reality they bog down prisoners' cases for years, while dismissing 90% of them without a trial -- and then retaliate by long-term isolation in control units, cell and body searches for harassment purposes and the thousand other ways they harass us) left only one option -- Revolution.

The years of frustration came to a head when forced/mandatory TB testing was done after the state had put fullblown active TB carriers in areas of the prison where it could spread, refusing to isolate them properly. When gorilla tactics were used by prisonrats to enforce this mandatory testing prisoners rebelled. What started as a spontaneous event turned into a takeover of all of L Side with 8 guards taken hostage and 9 prisoners and one guard killed before it was all over. The prisoners were liberated and some of those who refused to participate were beaten and killed. The takeover/riot began at approximately 2:45 pm on Easter Sunday and didn't end until the last hostages were released unharmed and prisoners surrendered on

National TV 11 days later on April 22, 1993. The negotiated surrender was made possible when Niki Schwartz, a civil rights attorney from Cleveland, Ohio, was called in to assist and advise the prisoners involved. It is still rumored and unofficially confirmed by some prisoners involved that there is a much larger body count of prisoners killed but the state is covering it up. Right now the Department of Justice is calling the shots at the prison.

Approximately 330 to 340 prisoners who were on the recreation yard when the riot began remained out there until approximately 3:30 am when over 200 guards stripped them naked, throwing all their belongings into a community pile (this property hasn't been recovered to this day), handcuffed their hands behind their backs and then marched them naked down K Corridor while female and male guards made comments about their nudity and manhood, and placed 5 to 10 prisoners in a cell. It took four hours plus before handcuffs were removed and the prisoners were kept like this for four days -- 5 to 10 in a cell, no medical attention, no anything except for a couple of coldcut sandwiches a day for four days until they were moved to one-man cells. One prisoner, Dennis Weaver, who had a history of litigation, was killed or allegedly hung while on K Side and a non-participant. The way he died has not been confirmed to this writer.

During the riot and negotiations the Dept. of Corrections spokesperson repeatedly treated the incident as a joke -- this was the same tactic used when the 4 Brothers took control of J1 supermax back in '85 and is a common tactic used by the state which backfired this time, leading to the execution of Guard Robert Villandingham.

The prisoners hung sheets out the window telling the media that the state wasn't playing fair -- the state's response was to move the media away from L Block so they couldn't see or hear the prisoners in L Block. After Villandingham's body was dumped out a window then the state started taking the prisoners seriously. During all this rumours abounded -- it was reported from unnamed sources that there were 17 to 50 bodies stacked in the L Side gym -- and to this day there are confirmations of more prisoners killed at the beginning of the riot than the DRC [Department of Rehabilitation and Correction-ed.] is reporting. I'm told that the Justice Department is calling the shots now and a cover-up at least to the media is being done as to body counts. Demands (See box) were issued to the DRC at the start -- the different factions inside the prisons worked together after the initial takeover. While the media reports there was dissension, it was at a minimum. One of the problems was forced integration. The reason the state is able to tell the fallacy about the Aryan Brotherhood is because those prisoners who don't want to be forced into integrated celling have to say they're racist to obtain

a "Green Card" which is a tag in a prisoner's file saying it is against his religion or philosophy to cell with another race. Those who have done time know that a lot of black/white cells are homosexuals and their man -- and this has

LUCASVILLE DEMANDS

1. Follow all administrative rules and regulations.
2. Administrative discipline and criminal proceedings will be fairly and impartially administered without bias against any specific individuals or groups.
3. All injured parties will receive prompt medical care and follow-up.
4. The surrender will be witnessed by religious leaders and news media.
5. Unit Management system will be reviewed with attempts to improve in areas requiring change.
6. SOCF will contact the Federal Court to review the White v. Morris consent decree that requires integrated celling.
7. All close security prisoners have already been transferred from K Side and L Side. Close security inmates will be immediately evaluated for transfer.
8. Procedures will be implemented to thoroughly review prisoners' files pertaining to early release matters and changes will be made where warranted.
9. 600 inmates transferred to relieve overcrowding.
10. Current policies regarding inappropriate supervision will be rigidly enforced.
11. Medical staffing levels will be reviewed to ensure compliance with ACA standards for medical care.
12. Attempts will be made to expedite and improve work and program opportunities.
13. The DRC will work to evaluate and improve work and programmatic opportunities.
14. There will be no retaliatory actions taken toward any prisoner or group of prisoners or their property.
15. A complete review of all correctional facility mail and visit policies will be undertaken.
16. Transfers from the correctional facility are coordinated through the Bureau of Classification. Efforts will be increased to ensure prompt transfers of those prisoners who meet eligibility requirement.
17. Efforts will be undertaken to upgrade channels of communication between employees and prisoners involving quality of life issues.
18. The complete commissary pricing system will be reviewed.
19. The DRC will consult the Department of Health regarding any future TB testing.
20. The FBI will monitor processing and ensure that civil rights will be upheld.
21. The DRC will consider case by case the interstate transfer of any prisoner if the DRC feels that there is a reasonable basis to believe that they would be unable to provide a secure environment for that prisoner. Any prisoner denied transfer will be reviewed by the Federal Bureau of Prisons.

been a stigma against integrated celling (see *White v. Morris* consent decree). It is even recognized by leading jurists that integration by court order is no longer effective -- integration in a prison should be by choice due to the volatile environment.

On Monday April 12, 1993, the bodies of 6 prisoners were placed on the yard for the DRC to pick up. They had been beaten and hung -- all were older prisoners, some who refused to participate in the riot, some who were snitches. On Tuesday prisoners had dismantled windows and went from L Side to K Side and got prisoners in K8 to destroy their cells. Back in the AC Blocks prisoners tore out their cell lights and wiring, beat on their cell doors and started fires with all state-issued property -- this was not shown on TV. On Wednesday the 14th a helicopter manned by the Ohio National Guard and Northern Assistant Regional Director Joe McNeil had engine failure and crashed outside the prison, injuring those inside the helicopter. Governor Voinavitch ordered 500 National Guardsmen to surround the prison, relacing the Ohio State Highway Patrol. Water, food and prescription medication were delivered to the prisoners -- all water, electricity and food had been cut off since the inception of the takeover, this was the day Villandingham's body was dumped out the window (Thursday April 15). In exchange for the release of a hostage, the prisoners were given air time on TV to speak -- identified as "inmate George" (later a private investigator called the TV into the collective resistance activities and media people telling them that inmate George was George Skatzes -- a former client who she believed was innocent of the murder he was imprisoned for) who told the public that all prisoners of all races joined together in unity during the takeover, to show the public the oppressive conditions they were living under, and that they were all willing to die if their demands were not met.

SPILT MILK — LUCASVILLE 1994

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It's been 16 months since the eleven day siege at the Southern Ohio Correctional Facility (SOCF) located in Lucasville, Ohio. Millions of dollars have been spent on reconstruction of the prison and prosecutions of the prisoners who the state said committed "criminal acts" during the siege. Steel encased control booths with double doors controlled electronically have been constructed in each cellblock with an escape ladder and hatch built in so that the guards can escape to the roof should the security of the double doors be breached. The back walls of the cellblock have been encased in steel so the concrete can't be broken out to get to anyone hiding in the back staircase. Closed-circuit cameras have been strategically placed outside all the doors and in the

hallways to monitor movement. Prisoners are only permitted out of their cells for meals, and an hour recreation a day, one range at a time and under constant surveillance and escort. Disturbance Control Team guards (Ninja Turtles) are dressed in black T-shirts and fatigues — this is a psychological tactic designed to instill fear, but actually they're just trying to dress like us — and are stationed in the hallways to quell any disturbances. Prisoners are rushed through the dining room like cattle, rushed through their meals, then marched back range-by-range to their cells. Everything is delivered to the cells, there are no passes except for visits, for which prisoners are escorted to and from.

Young, vocal prisoners are set up and placed in the hole, and then isolation. As I was leaving the dining hall the other day, three guards attacked a young Black prisoner for the crime of refusing to clean up milk spilt by the prisoner in front of him, who offered to clean it up. But the guard refused the offer because he didn't like the other prisoner so he ordered him to clean it up. When he refused he was attacked, wrestled to the floor then taken to the hole. Myself and 8 others were escorted to the hole an hour later, placed under "investigation" merely for witnessing the attack by the guards.

The news media was told that the prisoner refused to clean up spilt milk (he wasn't a food service worker — it wasn't his job to clean it up) and that he attacked the guards while seven other prisoners cheered him on. Just more propoganda by the guards' union who have been doing their damndest to have the prison locked down, by feeding propoganda and lies to the media and legislators. Attitudes are still a mile high due to the takeover last year.

Forty-eight prisoners have been indicted on 198 charges, including assault, kidnapping and aggravated murder with death penalty specifications. Four of the prisoners have been found guilty of the charge, with eight pleading guilty, some of whom are turning state's evidence against the others. After the (1971) Attica riot, eight Attica prisoners were either convicted or pled guilty, but all were pardoned later by the governor due to prosecutorial misconduct. Prosecutors in Santa Fe, New Mexico promised to indict more than 100 prisoners after the (1981) riot there; however only 30 were criminally charged and early trials ended with "not guilty" verdicts — there were no death penalty convictions. Prosecutors then began reducing charges and offering plea bargains.

Ohio has hired a team of special prosecutors headed by Hamilton County asst. Prosecutor Mark Peipmeir. The state's strategy has been to bring the lesser charges to trial, obtain convictions based on guards' and snitches' eyewitness and fabricated testimony, and then use the convictions to plea bargain and obtain state's witnesses from the weaker prisoners under indictment. Five prisoners were indicted for aggravated murder with death penalty specifications. The state obtained these indictments after a negotiator during the siege agreed to turn

state's evidence against his fellow prisoners regarding the death of guard Robert Vallandingham when the state failed to take negotiations seriously. This prisoner was described by the media as being one of the leaders of the Black Gangster Disciples (Lavelkle).

My brother Little Rock Reed, who has done years confined to the SOCF has agreed to assist defense attorneys in the defense of those Brothers criminally indicted for the takeover. Little Rock has written an article describing how former SOCF warden Arthur Tate helped advance violence and the oppressive conditions leading up to the takeover. The affirmative defense of self defense/justification should be a viable option for the Brothers to illustrate that the conditions were so oppressive that the takeover was necessary to save *their* lives. Little Rock Reed has been arrested, but assistance for the trials can be obtained through Deborah Garlin, at the Center for Advocacy of Human Rights.

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It's up to us to open Lucasville back up — the guards' union wants it locked down — so all cases of prisoner-on-prisoner assaults are used by them to justify their cry to lockdown Lucasville. Let's work together rather than against each other to further *our* goals of opening it back up — put aside petty differences and stand united against them, not each other. Utilize all available legal remedies, informal complaint resolutions, grievances, and suits first. We need the families and friends of those imprisoned to speak to the media and legislators to let them know what is done to us in these Kamps.

Last, those that tend to grumble about how bad it is at Luke now and blame those involved in the takeover need to re-evaluate the placement of the blame. Not everyone can file or litigate suits. They lack the knowledge, and not everyone believes they should just accept what is meted out to them in silence. Those Brothers who took a stand did it to bring about change. While it may not have had positive effects that you can see now — you can believe that it will in the future. Men cannot be treated like animals and continue to accept that treatment. Blame the prisoncrats for initiating the oppressive treatment that caused men to react in desperation and seize the moment — not your fellow prisoners — all of who are paying dearly now. They deserve your respect, not your disrespect.

Remember Attica!
Remember Santa Fe!
But most of all,
Remember Lucasville!

A Field Marshall

FORCED CELLING POLICY AT LUCASVILLE

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The forced celling policy wasn't brought to the public's attention until prisoners raised the issue during the Lucasville uprising last year. When the issue was brought up, prisoners were under a great deal of pressure and did not have the time to explain the problem in detail. Prisoners were greatly concerned about prison officials' efforts to force racial integration in the celling policy. Integrated celling was always a choice left up to each prisoner, and many prisoners choose to integrate. To force prisoners to cell with someone that they don't want to cell with will often lead to fights, assault, rapes and even death.

Although the issue at Lucasville did involve forced racial integration, the issue of a forced celling policy is much more complex than a racial issue. Forced celling does involve forced integration, it involves forced celling of any type in a prison. The problems of forced celling can be caused by an extreme age difference, differences in sexual orientation, cultural, moral or ethnic differences. It could become a serious problem if there is an extreme personality clash. Some prisoners refuse to live in a cell with anyone and will attack any prisoner placed in the same cell. Knowing this, prison officials will still force another prisoner into the cell — knowing that it will result in an immediate physical confrontation.

Whenever a prisoner expresses a serious problem concerning a cell assignment, the prisoner should immediately be assigned to another cell. In the prisons in Ohio that do enforce a forced celling policy, fights, assaults and rapes are common occurrences that result in facial scars, broken bones, maiming and sometimes even death. The mental stress caused by forced celling is extreme. In some cases cellmates sleep with shanks [knives-ed.] taped to their hands for fear that their cell mate will attack while they're asleep.

Forced celling also applies where there is close living quarters in crowded dormitories. If the guy in the next bed hates your guts, naturally you would want to move to another bed. I have a scar on the corner of my left eye that I received as a result of snoring loudly. My cellie was a light sleeper and couldn't sleep while I snored. When we approached the unit staff requesting that one of us be moved, the correctional counselor responded that the only way he could get a cell change was if we fought. My cellie immediately struck me, scarring me for life. But we got the cell change and my cellie got his sleep from then on.

Once a prison enacts a forced celling policy, the only way a prisoner can get a cell move is through a disciplinary action. This means going to the "hole". Unit staff and guards often respond to requests for cell changes by telling the prisoners that they will have to fight and go the "hole" first. Prison officials deny that forced celling causes serious problems or they claim that the problems are few and far between and of little concern. Forced celling is a dangerous and potentially deadly policy. It is understandable that prisoners at Lucasville maximum security prison would get upset by this policy. How long will prison officials continue to enforce this policy?

Ohio Prisoners' Rights Union

[ed note: For an excellent article exploring more issues around forced celling and double bunking, see "Double bunking—double the trouble" in *Prison News Service* #47.]

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LUCASVILLE MUSLIMS APPEAL

I would first like to say that it was not a race riot. The riot also had nothing to do with the outcome of the Rodney King trial in Los Angeles, nor the approaching anniversary of the L.A. rebellion.

The Lucasville riot took place because of the way this administration is run, and who's running it — Arthur Tate Jr. I've been in seven other prisons in Ohio and the authorities within this prison are the worst of them all. This is a maximum security prison, true enough. But how can one justify letting a prisoner who is doing 30 years before seeing the parole board use the phone once a year to call his family, loved ones, lawyers, etc. It is things like this that make a riot manifest.

Arthur Tate plays a big part in the recent riot. He holds the Warden position, but he is a warden with very little authority. The guards have more say-so in the way this prison is run than said warden. To give an example of how much respect the guards have for this new warden authority: just the other day (May 21, 1993), a guard was arrested for smuggling in bullets to prisoners. So what does that tell you. No fear or respect for authority. And it also gives us room to think, "Who do we have guarding us? Are they paid to correct or corrupt?"

I would like to mention that during the riot I was on K-side (K-8). The day after the riot, they cut the water off at K-8, plus all electricity. We were the

only Block out of 8 on K-side that had to go through this treatment. Plus, on the third day of the riot, they shot 6 cans of Clearout (tear gas) into K-8 with no reason whatever; this gas was so strong that prisoners were breaking their windows out, smashing sinks and toilets. After the tear gas they handcuffed us for 3 hours. While we were cuffed, we were made to get down on our knees, then they came to our cells one at a time, and pointed guns at our head and beat and kicked us around. While we were being kicked around, they took all personal property and destroyed it — all of it, shoes, clothes, photos, legal mail, personal letters, etc. Now the prisoners that broke their sinks, toilets and windows had to pay for whatever got broke. Plus they put 26 of us in L.C. (Local Control) for what we did.

We would like those who receive *Prison News Service* to know that we Muslims need help on the legal side. We need any kind of support you have to give. Anyone who would like to know about the *Ummah* (Muslim community) please contact us at:

Imaam Ahmad Abdul Muqsit #A180-391 OR
Amin Abdul Hakim Wyse #238-202
Box 45699, Lucasville, OH 45699-0001

LEGAL ACTION FOR JUSTICE IN LUCASVILLE

The class action of *Morris v. Voinavitch*, Case No. C-1-93-436 is pending in the U.S. District Court in Cincinnati, Ohio — Judge Spiegel presiding. This suit deals with all uses of force incurred by guards/prisoners during the siege, the inadequate access to the law library, medical treatment, or programs during the lockdown, property losses and the lockdown in general. Anyone with claims or seeking assistance for treatment at SOCF should contact,

Alphonse A. Gerhardstein, attorney-at-law
617 Vine St., 1409 Enquirer Building
Cincinnati, OH 45202

Also, anyone with specific instances of retaliation due to protected First Amendment rights, or specific instances of the denial of access to the law library, transfers from other prisons to SOCF without advance written notice or hearings, RIB Appeals from the warden to central office without a decision being made within the 30 day time period should write:

David Skidmore
Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease
Suite 2100-Atrium Two, 221 East 4th St. Box 0236
Cincinnati, OH 45201-0236
phone 513-723-4000

Skidmore is representing Chryz Knecht, John Perotti and Keith Ledger in *Knecht et al v Voinavitch et al.*, Case No C-1-94-12 (SD Ohio WD) (Judge Spiegel). Anyone witnessing or knowing of specific instances of retaliation directed at these prisoners (or of specific instances of being harassed by the Disturbance Control Team) should contact them and Attorney Skidmore.

HARASSMENT OF JOHN PEROTTI CONTINUES

On September 3, 1994 John Perotti began a hungerstrike at Lucasville Maximum Security Prison to protest his confinement in the hole (segregation) for refusing to take a urinalysis. His refusal to take the urinalysis was real, but his placement in the hole was only a cover for the ongoing harassment of Perotti, who has worked ceaselessly for many years on behalf of prisoners' rights.

Only a few days after getting out of the hole, Perotti was beaten, thrown back in the hole, and charged with trying to smuggle drugs out of Lucasville. Perotti and Little Rock Reed (see article on Little Rock on the following page for more info) had

been working together to distribute an article in which Little Rock documents how forced integration of double-bunked cells was used to increase racial tensions within Lucasville. Perotti was charged after Lt. Schramm of the mail room at Lucasville illegally opened one of his letters containing the article and a memo from Tate, dated less than a month before the uprising, in which he described a proposal to open a high security (read Control Unit) unit within Lucasville. A number of prisoners were witnesses to Schramm telling Perotti that he had gotten him (Perotti) good with the "Talwyn" (synthetic

morphine) charge. Perotti went on a hungerstrike to protest this abuse.

Perotti's unrelenting determination and a letter-writing campaign initiated to support him on the hungerstrike were successful in getting the Talwyn charge withdrawn and John out of the hole. Perotti was released into general population, only to be thrown in the hole AGAIN after Lucasville goons made yet another death threat and John pointed his finger at them--according to the goons this was "dropping to a combat stance and firing an imaginary weapon." (!)

This was only the latest incident in the continual harassment of Perotti since his transfer back into Lucasville in early 1994. In 1990 Perotti was transferred out of Lucasville under the escort of the Ohio state police, after a severe beating at the hands of 12 prison guards, many of whom are still on staff at Lucasville. The guards were not even reprimanded for this beating, let alone punished for what was a vicious assault. Upon his forced return to Lucasville Perotti was put in the hole, and he immediately went on a hungerstrike that lasted almost 6 weeks before he was placed back in general population.

John's life is seriously at risk. The least those of us on the outside can do is to send a letter to the

John Perotti #167712
SOCF, Box 45699, Lucasville,
Ohio, 45699 USA

Lucasville warden to let him know that there is support for Perotti and that we are watching developments at SOCF in case of future harassment of Perotti or other inmates. Letters like this may save John's life.

----- sample letter -----

Warden Terry Collins
Southern Ohio Correctional Facility
Box 45699, Lucasville, OH, 45699 USA


Dear Sir,

I am writing to protest the continual harassment of John Perotti #167712. Perotti has been subjected to intense mistreatment by guards and administrators at Southern Ohio Correctional Facility (SOCF) during his many years of confinement in the Ohio prison system.

The arbitrary and abusive use of authority at SOCF (Lucasville) was a significant cause of the bloody uprising at the prison during Easter 1993. The ongoing harassment of Perotti shows that this mis-use of authority has not changed. John Perotti may only be one man, but his treatment reflects the indifference of prison authorities to basic human rights and dignity. Efforts to destroy Perotti will not help to keep the lid on the pressure cooker atmosphere created by the overcrowding, the denial of legal rights and religious freedom, and the dehumanization that is a crucial part of the day-to-day existence in Lucasville.

Perotti's supporters on the outside such as myself will ensure that the abuse he suffers does not go unnoticed. We will be watching.

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...more on Perotti in next issue...*



George V. Voinovich
GOVERNOR

OHIO DEPARTMENT OF REHABILITATION AND CORRECTION

SOUTHERN OHIO CORRECTIONAL FACILITY
P.O. Box 45699
Lucasville, Ohio 45699-0001

March 22, 1993

TO: ERIC DAHLBERG, SOUTH REGION DIRECTOR
FROM: ARTHUR TATE, JR., WARDEN
SOUTHERN OHIO CORRECTIONAL FACILITY
RE: REQUEST TO CONSTRUCT A MAXIMUM SECURITY UNIT AT SOCF

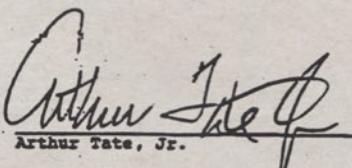
Over the past several months I have expressed my concerns relative to the need for a maximum security unit at this facility which is suitable to house those prisoners who are high security risks requiring maximum levels of supervision as well as a physical structure designed to effectively house them.

While I am fully supportive of our department's shift from incarceration to alternative community sanctions, where appropriate, it nevertheless remains to be seen that the levels of inmates in the highly assaultive, predatory category requiring maximum security confinement, will continue to increase due to lengths of sentences and a lack of adequate space for these types of offenders.

While I am in total agreement that prisoners in this "high security" category should be housed here at SOCF, I have serious concerns regarding our ability, from a design standpoint, to effectively house and manage these individuals safely. SOCF is now 23 years old and is no longer "state-of-the-art" regarding its ability to securely house certain categories of high security inmates. It is with this in mind that I enclose the attached schematic for your review.

I am fully cognizant of our department's inability to finance a serious building project at this time; however, the attached project would require significantly less of an expenditure but create a high security unit that would enable us to more effectively handle inmates requiring this level of security.

In closing, I want to reiterate that in my opinion, I cannot stress enough our need for a unit of this nature. We are suggesting that this unit be constructed in the existing space formerly known as the death-row recreation area in J block. I am sure there will be a lot of questions regarding this proposal and both myself and staff stand ready to assist in anyway we possibly can.



Arthur Tate, Jr.

attachment
cc: Tom Slickrath
R. Turjanica
R. Roddy
D. See
B. Seth
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AT/jc

LITTLE ROCK REED ARRESTED, JAILED PENDING EXTRADITION

After 18 months underground, Little Rock Reed, an indigenous / prison activist, was arrested on September 23rd in New Mexico under a federal warrant. Little Rock has come under attack in an attempt by Ohio correctional officials to keep him from exposing how former Lucasville warden Arthur Tate and other prison officials intensified tensions within the prisons to such an extent that it eventually blew up into a prisoner-takeover at Easter time, 1993.

Little Rock Reed and John Perotti (see article on John Perotti on previous page for more info) had been working together to distribute an article in which Little Rock documents how forced integration of double-bunked cells was used to increase racial tensions within Lucasville. While underground, Little Rock published *The American Indian in the White Man's Prisons: A Story of Genocide*, which includes documentation of the Ohio Adult Parole Authority's attempts to imprison and/or assassinate Little Rock and the "atrocities being committed against American Indians by the officials within the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation and Corrections".

In 1993, Little Rock was within 6 weeks of completing his parole requirements when he was charged by police for allegedly threatening a Kentucky man. The charge stuck even though Dinah Devoto, the man's wife, was willing to testify that, in fact, it was Little Rock who was threatened. But Little Rock's parole officer was clear from the beginning that he had little say in how Little Rock's parole would be handled, that he took direct instructions from his superiors. By Ohio law, any parole revocation must be independently decided by the parole officer with reviews first by the supervisor and then by the APA. But in this case, the final appeal body would make the initial revocation determination. The parole officer admitted to both Dinah Devoto and Little Rock's grandmother that the decision had already been made to revoke Little Rock's parole before there was any investigation as to whether there was any grounds for such a move. When Little Rock got parole a year earlier, the president of the Ohio APA had promised Rock that if ever he were revoked, Rock would do the full fifteen years remaining on his sentence.

In 1990 Little Rock signed a waiver to go with his parole orders for which he immediately filed a grievance because it violated his constitutional rights. The waiver stated that Little Rock must "obey all orders", with the word "lawful" being removed

from the standard parole stipulation. Moreover, it would have given them the right to have access to all documents relating to any private or public officials—a right not even prisoners are expected to give up—and allow his house and car to be searched without warrant at any time. Little Rock challenged these as being unconstitutional. The head of the APA admitted that this was true, but after spending some time in a pre-release program, Little Rock was transferred back to Lucasville.

There were several irregularities in Little Rock's recent arrest. He was picked up on an FBI warrant for "interstate flight" that was sworn before

necessary for Ohio to get the FBI to do their dirty work for them by fabricating the information about the outstanding warrants, even though Little Rock has committed no new offenses since 1982. In the local New Mexican media, Ed Boldt, of the Cincinnati offices of the FBI, said that they had no knowledge of any alleged plot against Little Rock in spite of a barrage of faxes that had been sent to the FBI documenting that very fact.

Under the terms of the extradition act, Little Rock can't challenge details of the warrant for parole violation from Ohio. But the governor of New Mexico, Bruce King, can order the Attorney General or any prosecuting attorney to investigate the circumstances of the extradition order.

Little Rock Reed was originally freed on \$50,000 bond while the governor of New Mexico decided whether or not he would be sent back to Ohio. Now Little Rock is in jail in New Mexico, pending extradition to Ohio. A massive letter-writing and fax campaign has been launched to support him. The letter-writing campaign will target both Governor George Voinavitch of Ohio and Governor Bruce King of New Mexico. Letters and faxes can be sent to Voinavitch with copies sent to co-counsel Deborah Garlin at the Center for Advocacy of Human Rights who will take them to Governor King. Letters should describe how Little Rock has been subjected to continual harassment (see above) for continually struggling not only for his own rights, but that of all prisoners.

Governor George Voinavitch
Center for Government and the Arts
77 South High Street, 30th Floor, Columbus,
OH 43266-0601
Fax: 614-466-9354

Send copies of your Voinavitch letters, and letters for Little Rock, to:

Deborah Garlin
Center for Advocacy of Human Rights
Box 880, Rancho De Taos, NM 87557-0880
Phone: 505-751-0197

Money is urgently needed to pay for the costs of getting Little Rock out of jail, and keeping him out. Donations are tax deductible; send them to the address listed immediately above.

The American Indian in the White Man's Prisons: A Story of Genocide, by Little Rock Reed, is available from:

Uncompromising Books
216M Paseo Del Pueblo Norte, Ste 374
Taos, NM 87571-5902 USA



a local judge but neither of the warrants used to justify the FBI warrant—one from Ohio, the other from Kentucky—exist. The FBI agents who took him to the local jail admitted that the FBI warrant was only a pretext to arrest him, that he would be held on a warrant for parole violation once he was in custody. The warrant for parole violation was not even signed by a judge, but by Terry Lyons, head of the Ohio Adult Parole Authority (APA) and did not provide the legal justification for New Mexico police to arrest Little Rock for what was nothing more than a technical violation of his parole. Thus it was



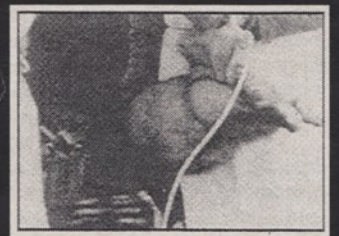
YOUR FUR COAT IS ALMOST DEAD.

Every year in the United States, 20 million furbearing animals are brutally killed in steel-jawed leghold traps—devices which imprison a wild animal by one or two legs until they die, either by starvation, exposure to weather, thirst, or they are killed by the trapper, usually by being beaten or stomped to death (so as to not damage their fur).

It takes up to 60 mink to make one coat, 25 foxes to make another, 40 raccoons, 35 coyotes, and 180 rabbits. In this photo, a trapper is suffocating a coyote to death by standing on its throat; the coyote has been caught by the legs in two traps.

FOR THE SAKE OF VANITY, INNOCENT ANIMALS ARE BRUTALLY KILLED.

Another four million mink and foxes are raised on "fur farms"—inside tiny cages where these wild animals are driven insane by their confinement. Killing methods vary: animals are either asphyxiated, bludgeoned to death, have their necks primitively broken or they are anally electrocuted—as is this fox in the photo at the right.



DON'T BUY FUR.

**BEHIND FOOD FOR THOUGHT:
DEEPENING OUR ANALYSIS TO BECOME
MORE EFFECTIVE; TREATING EACH
OTHER WITH RESPECT**

"We need to go beyond human needs and desires and begin to look at the animal and environmental crises from an eco-centric viewpoint. We need to ask ourselves not, what is good for the humans and their communities? But instead, what is good for the Earth and her critters?...The questions now are: Are we ready to ally ourselves with the animal nations? Are we ready to ally ourselves with the earth?"

- David Barbarash, from *Picking Our Targets: Thinking About Animals and the Earth*

Food for Thought came about because I (the editor) came to believe, from my observations over the last couple years as an animal/earth activist, that there is a general lack of strategic analysis within the animal liberation movement (with some exceptions). From my involvement in other social justice movements over the last 10 years I have seen how constant struggle to refine and broaden analysis is necessary to keep from stagnating and becoming increasingly less effective.

I had hoped that readers would view this section of the magazine as a place to examine more deeply issues that affect our effectiveness, so that, as David says, we can ally ourselves with animals and the earth. These are difficult questions, ones that require us to continually examine where we have gone wrong and where we have had successes, and ones that challenge us to change our own behaviour that contributes to animal/earth exploitation or hinder the struggle for animal/earth liberation.

In my experience, conflicts between humans (on an individual and group level) have a huge impact on our effectiveness as activists. This includes conflicts based on the complexities of issues of oppression.

As I said in the last issue of *Underground*, "This is a space for discussion with the intention of furthering the work of the A.L.F. Articles that merely bash or trash will not be printed here; articles that attempt to contribute to analysis and strategy will." (underlining from original)

Some of us in the SG agreed with the analysis in devorah's article in *Underground* #1; others did not. Nevertheless, we printed the article because we felt it would be stimulating and thought-provoking, and was a good first step in looking at one way that issues of human-centred oppression affect our efforts towards animal/earth liberation. *Food for Thought*, like the rest of the magazine, is intended to be in the interests of supporting the work of the A.L.F., and animal/earth liberation in general. We felt devorah's article was in this spirit.

I have been appalled at some of the letters that have come to *Underground* in response to devorah's article in the last issue. Because none of the writers indicated they wanted their letters published, all I can say is that the sentiments in some of the letters ranged from "how could you print her article, she can obviously not be trusted" to "she is a Jew, not an animal liberation activist" and other openly anti-Semitic comments.

I had hoped that a fundamental part of this section of the magazine would be that all contributors would work towards treating each other with respect, so that we may work together instead of falling prey to divisive in-fighting. I believe that even when we disagree strongly with each other, and even when there is intense emotion behind the disagreement, we can express that disagreement in a respectful way.

I believe very strongly that criticism and self-criticism, when it is done in a thoughtful way conducive to assisting in change, is an important part of becoming a more effective activist. I do NOT believe that telling other contributors that they are "stupid", "narrow-minded", etc. is productive. I do

not want us all to become nicey-nice people, nor do I want to stifle creativity and diversity of expression—we can still have vigor and spice, and vehemently disagree with each other, without telling people they are fucked and worthless.

It became clear after reading a number of the responses to devorah's article that our interpretation of the article was quite different than most of the interpretations from the people who wrote in response. In discussing this with devorah we all came to the conclusion that she had not communicated clearly enough what she was trying to say (since so many people misunderstood it) and offered her space to try to clarify her points, in the form of a response to the only person who made it clear he wanted his article published.

We welcome responses to articles. Promoting discussion is what *Food for Thought* is all about. I would request, though, that if you write a letter or article, you think carefully about what you are trying to say and whether or not it will be conducive to a discussion that will further the work of the A.L.F. — and this includes furthering the understanding of each other. Do not forget that the A.L.F. is not just "out there", it is also readers and contributors to the magazine. It is important that we strive towards being responsible activists in every sense of the word, and that means not doing the work of the FBI, CSIS, Putting People First, and others who would happily see us disintegrate from snipy in-fighting.

(Also, please CLEARLY indicate whether your responses are intended for publication, i.e. write "for publication" or "not for publication" at the beginning or end of the article.)

In struggle towards liberation,
Eddie Tor



PICKING OUR TARGETS:

by David Barbarash

Devorah's article "Picking Our Targets..." in the premiere issue of *Underground* begs for a response. In it I find accusations of racism and anti-semitism against the ALF, and veiled threats of repercussions from the "Jewish communities" should the ALF continue to attack kosher butchers. I believe the whole premise of the article is a false one, and it distorts the real goals and motivations of the animal liberation movement.

Before I go on, I want to identify myself as a long time animal liberation and environmental activist. I was born and raised Jewish, but I have rejected that religion for an eco-centric, Earth-based philosophy and belief system known as Paganism.

From my experience, activists do not go out seeking specifically Jewish-owned butchers (at least, not here in N. America), and the accusation is an outrageous distortion of reality. If and when kosher butchers are attacked, I do not believe, and have seen no evidence to support Devorah's claim, that these actions were carried out with racist motivations.

Does one now need to verify that a business is owned by a white male before taking action against it? Many butchers and furriers are owned by those of east european descent. Are they off limits? What about McDonald's, Burger King, and other fast food places? They are predominantly the workplaces and eating places of african americans, as well as the economically disadvantaged. Is it now racist and classist to attack african americans or asian animal abusers? Hell, let's not stop with race and class; all women animal abusers are off limits too, right? Where does this end?

Aside from the racial issue, devorah brings up the tactical point that a hit on a supplier is a much better use of time and resources, and does much more to end animal abuse. I agree that this may be true, but I do not agree that these are reasons to not hit the storefront butcher and furrier.

Those small businesspeople who only "make enough money to get by" are not exempt from being responsible for their lives, filled as they are with animal deaths. Further, just because a community is "very used to having to fight desperately in order to survive", or that they may be "some of the most

Dear *Underground*,

David Barbarash wrote a response to my article for publication in *Underground*, and in discussing his response we realized that he had misunderstood several of the points I was trying to make. In discussions with others who disagreed with the original article, it became clear that they had also misunderstood what I was trying to say. Obviously I didn't say it clearly enough! I apologize and thank you for the chance to clarify. I suspect many of the people who wrote to *Underground* in disagreement with my first article will still disagree this time round, but I want to make sure that they are clear on what they are disagreeing with. Thanks to David for contributing to the discussion.

Towards animal liberation,

devorah

Whew! I have received a lot of flack for the article I wrote in *Underground* #1. The premise of my original article was that it is important that we look at how our choices of targets for direct action determine our effectiveness towards animal liberation. I referred specifically to what I perceive as racism and classism clouding our analysis in terms of picking the targets that will have the most impact towards animal liberation.

One of the criticisms of my article was that I tried to include too much in a short article, and that in doing so I did not adequately examine issues of either racism or classism. Given that most of the feedback disagreeing with my article was in reference to my points on racism, this time I'll stick to looking at how racism (in this instance, anti-Jewish racism) limits our effectiveness as animal liberation activists.

THINKING ABOUT ANIMALS AND THE EARTH

tenacious, skilled fighters", does not mean that we should back off. Perhaps instead, we should be prepared to fight even harder for animal lives.

Just because a culture/people have been persecuted for centuries, does that mean we must give them the okay to take part in the atrocities committed against the animal nations? For how many centuries have animals been persecuted? I would say for many more than Judaism has existed.

There are other, more practical reasons why I think that abandoning attacks on small businesses is a major mistake. First, there is the community aspect. Part of taking more control over our lives means having more say about what takes place in our communities and neighbourhoods. You are more likely to find a butcher or furrier on your street rather than a major supplier or slaughterhouse. It's our responsibility to keep our streets clean of these scum, especially if they are just doors away from your home, regardless of what god they pray to. Secondly, what better way for the novice activist to begin to take personal responsibility in his or her own life? It makes more sense to begin small at the storefront level, then with larger operations.

I do not believe that attacking small businesses does little to end animal abuse. Experience has shown us that a business repeatedly hit will, eventually, pack it in. Over time we can eliminate all butchers or all furriers from a geographical area such as a community or neighbourhood.

I believe that devorah's whole premise is wrong. The main problem is that she is approaching the animal liberation movement from a human-centred point-of-view. We need to go beyond human needs and desires and begin to look at the animal and environmental crises from an eco-centric viewpoint. We need to ask ourselves not, what is good for the humans and their communities? But instead, what is good for the Earth and her critters?

In this world of extreme Earth and animal exploitation, it is no longer important or relevant what traditions and practices a particular culture adheres to. No religious community that engages in animal death as a part of its culture will ever "accept the demands" of animal activists. The question is not whether we want to "make alliances with Jewish people" or any other religious sect. The questions now are: Are we ready to ally ourselves with the animal nations? Are we ready to ally ourselves with the earth?

PICKING OUR TARGETS: THINKING ABOUT THE IMPACT RACISM HAS ON OUR EFFECTIVENESS AS ANIMAL LIBERATIONISTS

a response to the responses

In my first article, I used kosher butchers as an example of a poor choice of targets. The A.L.F. Southland Unit, operating in California, hit "Mr. Kosher Meats" in Sherman Oaks in 1993-1994 (reported in *Underground* #1). In the UK, kosher butchers, halal butchers, and other butchers that cater to specific ethnic/religious communities targeted by racism have also been hit.

I am not saying that the motivations behind these attacks was racist, necessarily; I assume that the activists who did these actions sincerely believed that they were working for animal liberation. But I do believe that part of racism is ignorance about how different cultures operate, on many levels, including a political level; I think that the A.L.F. activists who carried out these actions were ignorant about how the Jewish community would react to the action and the ramifications for the animals. My intention is to educate other activists about my experiences within the Jewish community, so that they can make act from a more fully informed analysis, and not let ignorance lead the A.L.F. to making mistakes that hamper animal liberation.

From my experience working with the local Jewish community, I have observed that when the Jewish community perceives itself as being attacked, people within the community become very defensive and pull together to fight the attacker(s). Rightly or wrongly, this is the way the community operates. It must be seen in the context of Jewish people being attacked for thousands of years—we are sensitive to what seems to be attempts to force our culture and traditions to change. Remember that in the past these pushes to change have been accompanied by wide-scale murder, torture, and other state repression.

I agree that the Jewish community needs to change, and stop the exploitation of animals. I believe, as a Jew and as an animal/earth liberation activist, that kosher dietary laws are outmoded and inhumane, much as I disagree with other aspects of Jewish tradition that are sexist, homo and lesbophobic, ethnocentric, etc. But from what I have seen, the best way to get the Jewish community to change is NOT to attack it directly, but to work within the community and build trust, so that people within the community understand that in seeking change we are not seeking to destroy the Jewish people.

In his response, David says "...just because a community is 'very used to having to fight desperately in order to survive,' or that they may be 'some of the most tenacious, skilled fighters,' does not mean that we should back off. Perhaps instead, we should be prepared to fight even harder for animal lives."

I believe this approach is counter-productive when dealing with the Jewish community, or any other ethnic community that has been persistently historically targeted. Push them hard, and they will push even harder. I have seen that when the Jewish community perceives itself as being attacked, it becomes even more reactionary and resistant to change. What a waste of effort on the part of animal liberationists, given that there are so many other places to put our energy!

In his article David says, "Does one now need to verify that a business is owned by a white male before taking action against it? Many butchers and furriers are owned by those of eastern european descent. Are they off limits? What about McDonalds, Burger King, and other fast food places? They are predominantly the workplaces and eating places of african americans, as well as the economically disadvantaged. Is it now racist and classist to attack these businesses? What about Jewish vivisectors, or african american or asian animal abusers? Hell, let's not stop with race and class; all women animal abusers are off limits too, right? Where does this end?"

It is disappointing to me that attempts to include looking at how racism and classism affect our effectiveness as part of a greater analysis of our effectiveness are subverted into accusations of "political correctness". I am not saying that Jewish animal exploiters should be "off limits" because they are Jewish, I am saying that when the Jewish community perceives itself as being attacked, it becomes more resistant to change.

If we are not looking at the effects of our actions, then in my opinion we cannot seriously assess our effectiveness. Taking the examples that David uses (which I would question—what is the basis of his claim that fast food places are

predominantly the workplaces and eating places of African-Americans?), we can look at the response when a local McDonald's was burned to the ground 6 months ago. There was no outcry from any ethnic community or the "economically disadvantaged", as David puts it. This attack on McDonald's was not perceived as an attack on poor people or ethnic groups. Similarly, I have never heard grumbings within the Jewish community about actions that target individual Jewish furriers, vivisectionists, or other animal exploiters. However, attacks on kosher butchers, or any other Jewish-owned business that caters specifically to Jewish traditions, ARE perceived as attacks on the Jewish people.

I am not saying this perception is justified, although I certainly understand where it comes from. I would hope, though, that animal liberationists strive to be aware of the impact that such actions have. Even a gesture of including the statement that "we are not striving to attack the Jewish community" in a press release, or some other indication that activists are at least aware of issues of racism and other "isms", would have been helpful. In order to prevent a backlash, it is important to let the Jewish community know that animal liberationists have no desire to destroy Jewish culture or the Jewish people.

David writes, "No religious community that engages in animal death as a part of its culture will ever 'accept the demands' of animal activists". I disagree. There are numerous Jewish vegetarian groups that are working hard to educate Jewish communities and change Jewish traditions, from the inside. There are Jewish animal liberation activists, including myself, who are working hard to pressure our local Jewish groups to not serve meat at community functions (incidentally, my local rabbi is vegetarian and prohibits the serving of meat at synagogue). In showing Jewish people we can still "cook Jewish" in vegan ways, we are showing Jewish people the alternatives to animal abuse, but we are doing so from being active and involved in our Jewish communities, not as outsiders. This makes it easier for Jewish people to hear us. Yes, these are miniscule victories, but they are victories nonetheless, and I believe that every victory for animal liberation is worth examining.

I had an interesting discussion yesterday with a white, middle-class male who is also an earth liberation activist. He expressed an increasing amount of rage towards white, middle-class Canadians who do nothing other than pick up a beer and watch TV. I have felt the same frustrations at times working within the Jewish community, when people are so reluctant to take responsibility to change their own behaviour and change the oppressive societal structures that are based on exploitation of animals, the earth, and humans.

David says that he thinks my major error is coming at this from a human-centred perspective instead of an animal/eco-centred perspective. Perhaps this is a worthwhile challenge for some of us animal liberation activists, to take full responsibilities for working persistently and committedly for animal liberation within our communities (whether they be defined around ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, class, etc) and not just say "fuck you all". If we are to do this, though, it will not be practical to approach everyone who contributes to animal exploitation as "scum", no matter how much we feel that way at times. It is easy in some ways to work for earth/animal liberation because those we are working for cannot tell us they don't like what we are doing, want us to work differently, etc. But I believe it is dangerous to ignore the human element of animal liberation, for it is humans who are doing the exploiting. And not all of us are equally involved in the profits of the exploitation, either...let's not fall into generalized misanthropy that obscures the classism/racism/sexism that is inherent in the structures of capitalism & the exploitation of animals for profit.

David's analysis of targeting small businesses as an aspect of responsibility for our neighbourhoods/communities is an interesting one. I agree, although I do not necessarily agree with his statement that "it's our responsibility to keep our streets clean of these scum, especially if they are just doors away from your home". This resonates too closely for me with the violent racism, homo and lesbophobia, etc. so often spouted

by the right-wing. I prefer to use different language and a different analysis; I think this type of rhetoric obscures the structures that support (and to some extent rely on) animal exploitation.

We must not forget that animal exploitation is not just a matter of individual, personal lifestyle choice, it is also built into North American society's capitalist structure. In my opinion, we must look at how we can effect change both on an individual and a societal level.

An A.L.F. campaign such as "Operation Bite Back", when combined with the work of the Coalition Against Fur Farming (and other such groups) that do educational work about fur from a radical perspective, is one example of how direct action and radical education are both parts of the animal liberation struggle. Yes, individuals must be held accountable. Owners of kosher butcher shops must be held accountable. But in what way?

I believe that it is a mistake to leave "mainstream" tactics such as education and community outreach to mainstream groups; a radical perspective is needed in these areas as well. In terms of changing the exploitative practices of ethnic communities, I believe that these mainstream tactics, when done consistently and persistently, from a radical perspective, combined with careful and well-thought direct action that will not be perceived as a direct attack, are more effective when it comes to bringing about change within groups that have been historically targeted by racism.

In the last issue of *Underground* there was a cartoon called "Cows Bash Back", about some cows who decide to blow up a leather bar. I loved this cartoon, as a queer, partly because it was reprinted from a queer magazine and I knew that it was queers pointing out what's fucked within our community, not homo/lesbophobes trying to say "queers are disgusting and their exploitation of animals proves it". Queers targeting queer leather bars/leather shops makes much more of an impact, I believe, than hets targeting these businesses.

I must stress that I am not saying that any ethnic/religious group, or any other oppressed group, has the "right" to abuse animals. I am saying that we must not only act, but also THINK about how our actions affect our efforts to bring about maximum change. We cannot ignore how racism and other "isms" shape our strategies; to do so is, I believe, to ensure that the animal exploitation industries are allowed to continue.

(P.S. It is interesting to note, too, that Kathleen Marquardt (head of Putting People First), in her horrendous book *Animal Scam*, devotes a full 8 pages (almost an entire chapter) on pointing out examples of extreme anti-Semitism by so-called animal liberationists to support her theory that animal liberation will lead to a Nazi regime(!). If the head of Putting People First is so interested in promoting division between Jewish people and animal liberationists, and can so easily find examples that will achieve this, shouldn't we be concerned? By the way, her examples of anti-Semitism are all footnoted and have appeared in Jewish magazines at some time—I am sad to say I think they may be real incidents, easily used as propaganda against animal liberation but not fiction designed by these people.)

FOOD FOR US: VEGAN DEATH-BY-CHOCOLATE aka Wacky Cake

This is one of those great totally indestructible, foolproof recipes that you can't go wrong with. Excellent to use on your friends/relatives who are squeamish about vegan food. Make sure that your sugar is vegan or use another type of sweetener. I have to say, though, I've tried this recipe with carob, rice syrup, brown flour, etc. and it just isn't the same. This cake may be indestructible, but it's simply not a cake that wants to be in the health food racks! So enjoy the disgustingness of it.

1 1/2 cups flour	1 tsp vanilla
1 cup sugar	5 tbsp. oil
1 tsp. @ baking powder, baking soda, salt	1 tbsp. vinegar
5 tbsp. cocoa	1 cup warm water

Mix the dry ingredients (flour, sugar, baking powder, soda, salt, and cocoa). If your cocoa is really lumpy then try to squish the lumps into smaller lumps. Using your fingers to do this allows you to pop the lumps and squirt cocoa powder at your friends. Don't worry about squishing all the lumps, as they will be OK in the end.

Add the vanilla, oil, and vinegar and mix in. Again, don't worry about thoroughly mixing. Finally add the warm water and now mix vigorously. Pour the whole slew into a greased 9-inch pan and bake at 350 F for 30-45 minutes.

This cake is really rich and yummy on its own and doesn't need icing.

GIVE THE DOG A BONE

PART ONE: If you've ever wondered about that 'special relationship' between police dogs and their handlers, then this exclusive little snippet is for you...



An inside source has given us the dirt on how the police manage to train their animals to perform their scabby tasks. And we mean *dirt*. In order to get their dogs to sniff out drugs, cops will slowly wank them off and then slip a lump of hash (or whatever) under the dog's nose right at the crucial moment. The theory is that the next time the dogs sniff out a bit of blow (blow?!), they'll associate the smell with orgasm and go sex-crazy.

Now I know why those sick bastards are called dog handlers...

...BUT THEY DO PROVIDE US WITH SOME AMUSEMENT

NO-BRAIN COPS IN THE UK

On Nov 22/93, 13 anti-bloodsport activists raided the British Field Sports Society (BFSS)'s offices in London. While one group of activists barricaded themselves in the first-floor suite, another group (including one dressed as a fox) entertained reporters outside. Eventually the police arrived, and that's when the fun really started.

No-brain police incident #1: Police bashed their way into the occupied suite with a sledgehammer, damaging a BFSS photocopier and filing cabinets in the process.

No-brain police incident #2: After sledgehammering their way into the suite, "two officers leapt into the room, knocking their third colleague over and causing him to cut off the top of one of his fingers."

All charges against the activists were dismissed. Civil action against the Metropolitan police is pending.

- from "HOWL" #54, "Arkangel" #12

NO-BRAIN COPS IN CANADA

In September, several Earth First! activists were arrested during a demonstration. As they were piled into a paddy wagon, one of the activists managed to conceal a cellular phone. While the paddy wagon proceeded to the police station, the giggling EF!ers dialed the police station and said "We've been kidnapped by two men, they threw us into their van, we're heading north!". A cop car was dispatched to try to track the "kidnappers". When everyone finally arrived at the police station, both sets of cops were more than slightly red-faced.

- from conversation with a merry prankster

MORE NO-BRAIN COPS IN THE UK

Acting on a tip that an ARM meeting would be held in Yorkshire, cops busted up the meeting half-way through...only to discover that instead of the Animal Rights Militia, it was a meeting of the Association of Radical Midwives. The local paper's headline the next day was "The wrong ARM of the law".

- info from "UK ALFSG Newsletter" Autumn 1994

SOME WORDS SPEAK AS LOUDLY AS ACTIONS

reprinted from "HOWL" #54; originally in "Talking Blues"

"I had a dream about all of us, about the section, going round in a car. We were in plain clothes and we were indiscriminately murdering everybody in the daytime that was causing the troubles in the night time. I've never enjoyed a dream so much in my life..."

"You have to make the first move, use your vehicles, drive the Land Rovers straight at the bastards. Then they scatter. You deal with the rest with your sticks. No problem. I don't give a fuck about the kids who got hurt."

quotes from two police officers, each with over ten years' service, referring to their experiences during the Toxteth riots, in which a disabled man was knocked over and killed by a police Land Rover.



Pigs are our friends

Pigs mind their own business

Pigs have curly tails

Pigs excrete un-self-consciously

Pigs are highly intelligent creatures

Pigs grunt with joy

Pigs are oppressed

Pigs are maligned by those in power



Cops are not

Cops do not

Cops have guns

Cops are anal

Cops are known to possess a certain small cunning but are not generally characterized as intelligent

Cops grunt with aggression

Cops oppress

Cops are glorified by those in power

SO who are we really insulting?

Fascist pig, Imperialist pig, Capitalist pig, Male Chauvinist Pig... We label pigs with the most unappealing characteristics that human culture has ever produced, but WE put the pigs in those conditions in the first place. Pigs are consistently abused, tortured, raped, confined, and slaughtered because of the very structures they are so often identified with. They are victims, not aggressors. The last thing they need is to be associated with the police state. In a society founded on the oppression of all who do not possess heterosexuality, all who do not possess whiteness and maleness and wealth, how can we fail to recognize the oppression of those who simply lack humanness?

by P. bean

A NEW MEANS OF COMMUNICATION BETWEEN ACTIVISTS:

For those of you who are somewhat familiar with the world of modems, e-mail, and the Internet, there are several newsgroups and mailing lists that provide interesting discussion and information. The following is a brief guide to the mailing lists we are familiar with. If you know of others, please write to Underground so that we can publicize the address.

and be in accordance with the spirit of the Internet (e.g., no commercial advertising).

General Topics

Here is a list of topics likely to be addressed in these lists; it is, by far, not complete:

Animal Rights	Animal Liberation
Vivisection/Dissection	Animals as Research 'Tools'
Animals in Laboratories	Animals as Models for Humans
Pet Overpopulation	Animals in Education
Hunting/Trapping/Fishing	Animals in Entertainment
Factory Farming	Fur
Ecology	Environmental Protection
Religious Perspectives	Genetic Engineering
Consumer Product Testing	'Cruelty-Free' Products
Vegetarianism	Vegan Lifestyle

As a starting point for anyone wishing to investigate Animal Rights, we can recommend two books: THE CASE FOR ANIMAL RIGHTS by Dr. Tom Regan and ANIMAL LIBERATION by Dr. Peter Singer. Both books are vital resources for understanding the philosophy behind the modern day animal rights movement.

Posting

Postings to the lists should be directed to the appropriate address. To initiate (or reply to) a discussion, send an e-mail message to:

[<ar-talk@cygnus.com>](mailto:ar-talk@cygnus.com)

containing a descriptive subject line and the body of the message you want to post.

To post a news-related item, send your message to:

[<ar-news@cygnus.com>](mailto:ar-news@cygnus.com)

Appropriate postings to AR-News include: posting a news item, requesting information on some event, or responding to a request for information. Discussions on AR-News will NOT be allowed and we ask that any commentary either be taken to AR-Talk or to private E-mail.

Subscription and Administration

All administrative requests dealing with the AR lists (including requests to be added or deleted from either list) are handled by:

[<AR-Talk-Request@cygnus.Com>](mailto:AR-Talk-Request@cygnus.Com)

[<AR-News-Request@cygnus.Com>](mailto:AR-News-Request@cygnus.Com)

If you want to get off the list, do not send a message to the list itself. That will just bother everybody on the list, and it won't get you off. Instead, send a message to the appropriate "-Request" addresses.

The lists are administered by:

Charles S. 'Chip' Robertson

[<csr@nic.aren.org>](mailto:csr@nic.aren.org)

and Ian Lance Taylor

[<ian@cygnus.com>](mailto:ian@cygnus.com)

Gateway Information

Currently, the lists are distributed via gateways to both the WEB network and the FIDOnet echo Animal Bytes (via AMNET).

Archive Services

FTP service is available from THINK.COM where some files and databases may be found that have been made available through these lists. Login with USERID: <anonymous> and PASSWD: <your-email-address>; the files may be found in the directory, animal-rights. Special thanks go to David Taylor (<taylor@think.com>) for making the ftp service available to us.

ANIMAL RIGHTS ELECTRONIC NETWORK (AREN), AR-NEWS, AND AR-TALK

AREN's mandate is to "provide mechanisms for the exchange of ideas and information pertaining to the issues of animal rights/welfare". They host and moderate AR-News and AR-Talk. Brief descriptions of these two mailing lists follow; for more complete information, read the "Welcome to AREN" article below.

AR-NEWS

This carries news that is considered relevant to animal rights activists, including direct action reports, research abstracts, letter-writing campaigns, legal developments that affect animals, and much more. This mailing list is a good way to gain access to the world of electronic news without being overwhelmed by the numbers of postings in the discussion groups.

To subscribe: [<ar-news-request@cygnus.com>](mailto:ar-news-request@cygnus.com)

To post: [<ar-news@cygnus.com>](mailto:ar-news@cygnus.com)

AR-TALK

This carries debates on many aspects of animal rights and animal liberation, from vivisection and others who are involved in animal abuse as well as animal rights activists. If you subscribe to this you will receive 20-30 posts each day, which can be overwhelming for the electronic beginner. There is a lot of "flaming" on this mailing list; flaming refers to people shooting each other down in a heated debate that is somewhat less than respectful (stuff like "you are completely irrational and stupid" is common). It is, however, a good place to hook up with other like-minded folks and also get information on animal abusers.

To subscribe: [<ar-talk-request@cygnus.com>](mailto:ar-talk-request@cygnus.com)

To post: [<ar-talk@cygnus.com>](mailto:ar-talk@cygnus.com)

WELCOME TO AREN, AR-NEWS, AND AR-TALK

Electronic Mailing List Forums
The Animal Rights Electronic Network
Internet

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In the Internet community there is a collection of unmoderated electronic mailing lists for the discussion of the relationships between human and non-human animals. These lists are administered via the Animal Rights Electronic Network (AREN), an organization dedicated to providing mechanisms for the exchange of ideas and information pertaining to the issues of animal rights/welfare. Currently, the collection consists of two lists: AR-Talk and AR-News. AR-Talk is an open discussion forum while AR-News is a public news wire.

Purpose

The purpose of these lists is to provide open channels where news, ideas, philosophies, and concerns can be exchanged freely. Debates are likely to occur as well as new friendships and associations. The underlying premise behind these mailing lists is that information is fundamental to forming sound beliefs as well as to making sound decisions. These lists are open to anyone who is interested, regardless of his/her opinion(s) on Animal Rights.

Restrictions

There are no restrictions on subject material other than it should be related to Animal Rights, germane to the mailing list distributing the posting,

ANIMAL LIBERATION AND THE INTERNET

More Information

This document has been provided compliments of The Animal Rights Electronic Network to help members of the Animal Rights community take advantage of the power of computer communications. We hope you find it useful.

The Animal Rights Electronic Network (AREN) is a nonprofit corporation dedicated to facilitating the exchange of information concerning the welfare, rights and treatment of animals. One of AREN's primary goals is to create a global computer network that links animal rights/welfare activists and organizations with each other. This goal is currently being realized.

For more information about The Animal Rights Electronic Network, you may direct your inquiries to AREN by using our automated mail response server described in the Archive Services section above. The server has information on the many aspects of AREN which can be sent to you upon your request.

If you cannot find what you are looking for via the server, you can have your request processed by one of our volunteer staff by sending an e-mail message to <info@nic.aren.org>, or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) to AREN, P.O. Box 17521 Raleigh, NC, 27619-7521 USA, and we will respond as quickly as time permits.

**OTHER MAILING LISTS / NEWSGROUPS /
ELECTRONIC ADDRESSES OF INTEREST**

A.L.F. Supporters Group-UK
<100302.1616@compuserve.com>

Animal Rights Mailing List
<animal-rights-request@xanth.cs.odu.edu>

Vegan-L: Vegan discussion group
<vegan-l%templevm.bitnet@pucc.Princeton.EDU>

Vegan Action/*East Bay Vegan News*: One of the best distributors of animal liberation info/literature, at great prices. The newsletter is also very informative. Free on-line subscriptions are available.
<leor@mellers1.psych.berkeley.edu>

Prison Activist Resource Center: publishers of *With the Power of Justice in Our Eyes: A Handbook for Educators and Activists on the Crisis in Prisons* and other excellent resources.
<eli@holonet.net>

Prison News Service: In our opinion, the best magazine around on prison issues and prison activism. Supports North American animal liberation prisoners.
<sage!pns@noc.tor.hookup.net>

Arm The Spirit: publishes news of illegal direct action campaigns from around the world.
<ats@etext.org>

M.A.P. (misc.activism.progressive)
This is a UseNet newsgroup that carries an extremely wide array of news postings, including news related to animal liberation.
<map@pencil.cs.missouri.edu>
<rich@pencil.cs.missouri.edu> (Rich Winkel) — moderator of the newsgroup

We also have many electronic listings for mailing lists/groups/discussions dealing with environmental issues, available from the NA-ALFSG for \$1.



Date: Tue Oct 4 07:43:40 1994
From: Adrian.Smith@veths.no
Subject: UPDATE: The NORINA database of alternatives
To: ar-news@cygnus.com

Dear Colleague:

This is a general update to those who have previously expressed an interest in the NORINA database of audiovisuals designed to replace animal use in teaching the biological/medical sciences: NORINA has now been sold in 14 countries. It is a non-profit venture (no sales commission to the compilers!), income being used to finance the work of expanding the database. NORINA version 2 is now available and consists of nearly 1600 entries. The database is available either as a stand-alone version for IBM compatibles, needing no additional software, or as a Filemaker Pro file that will run on an IBM Windows or Macintosh machine where FPro is installed. Demonstration floppy disks are available (both of the stand-alone and Filemaker Pro versions). Due to demand, we are now obliged to charge US\$25 for a demo, which will be subtracted from the invoice of a purchase of the complete database. Single-user versions of NORINA may be ordered for US\$150, network versions (up to 30 users) for US\$750. Please let me know if you are interested in NORINA.

Best wishes,

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 011-44-836-310763 (mobile)
 Robin Webb — Press Officer

ALFSG-UK
 BCM 1160, London, WC1N 3XX, England
 e-mail: <100302.1616@compuserve.com>

Djurens Befrielse Front (D.B.F.)--Swedish A.L.F.
 Box 2051, Åstorp, S-265 02, Sweden
 Emilie E:son — Press Officer
 [also address for Djurens Hamnare]

Israeli ALFSG
 PO Box 6023, Tel Aviv 61060, Israel

North American ALFSG
 PO Box 8673, Victoria, BC, Canada V8X 3S2
 e-mail: <un028@freenet.victoria.bc.ca>

Tierrechts Info Netz (T.I.N.) — German A.L.F. Supporters Group & Press Office
 c/o Autonomes Zentrum,
 Alte Bergheimerstrasse 7A, 69115 Heideberg,
 Germany
 Phone/Fax: 06221-38-57-02

HUNT SABOTEURS

Hunt Saboteurs Association (HSA) / HOWL magazine
 PO Box 1, Carlton, Nottingham NG4 2JY, England
 Phone: 011-44-602-590357

Bear Watch
 PO Box 394, Tofino, BC, Canada, V0R 2Z0
 PO Box 1099, Ganges, Saltspring Island, BC, Canada
 V0S 1E0

Organizes boat patrols of beaches to monitor and disrupt trophy hunting of black bears. Also runs education campaigns about black bear hunting.

OTHER ANIMAL RIGHTS / ANIMAL LIBERATION GROUPS

ARK II: PO BOX 687, STATION Q, TORONTO, ONT, M4T 2N5 CANADA
 Phone: (416) 223-4141



"The ARK II Philosophy — Human beings do not and cannot exist in isolation; we are a single strand in the web of life—one species among many on a planet we all share. All sentient beings are of inherent value in themselves, and deserve the same moral consideration and respect which we demand for ourselves. ARK II seeks to promote and protect the rights of all animals and foster their individual liberties through direct action, political

action, and public awareness campaign. We will work to bring the atrocities against animals before public scrutiny so that none may turn away in ignorance; we will obstruct injustices to animals whenever and wherever we can through our commitment to non-violent action; and we will strive to build a world where animal liberation and human liberation become one in a fabric of mutual respect, tolerance and compassion." (reprinted with permission from Ark II's newsletter, *The Activist*)

ARK II supports animal liberation prisoners.

There are obviously many more animal liberation groups than those listed here. If you would like info about your group in "Underground", please send us a short description of your group's activities.

NATIVE/ANIMAL BROTHERHOOD: RR 5 Station Main, Guelph, ONT, N1H 6J2 Canada
 Phone: (519) 821-8554 — Paul Hollingsworth

"The N/AB is North America's first all native environmental group. We deal with issues that affect the relationship of native peoples with Mother Earth and our animal brothers. Our vision is to return to a spirituality that allows us to live in concert with nature and not participate in its destruction. We also want to carry this relationship with Mother Earth to the larger population through education and example. The N/AB is working to achieve this goal by working with our members on and off reserves all over the continent. We do this by sponsoring local grassroots campaigns so that native people can tackle the problems they know in their own areas. If you are a native person or know one that would be interested in this organization please have them contact us. If you're not native but would still like to help our campaigns, your donation would be appreciated. Meegwach."



(reprinted, with the N/AB's permission, from Ark II's newsletter, *The Activist*)

NORTH AMERICAN GROUPS WORKING TO PROTECT WILDLIFE

Bearnest: PO Box 72, Hyrum, UT, 84319 USA

Endangered Species Project: Fort Mason Center E-205, San Francisco, CA, 94123 USA

Friends of the Wolf, B.C.: P.O. Box 2983, Vancouver, B.C., V6B 3X4 Canada
 Phone: (604) 290-9256

Great Bear Foundation: PO Box 2699, Missoula, MT, 59806 USA

Greater Ecosystem Alliance: PO Box 2813, Bellingham, WA, 98227 USA

Grizzly Bear Task Force: PO Box 6151, Bozeman, MT, 59715 USA

Grizzly Project: PO Box 957, Nelson, BC, Canada V1L 6A5
 Phone/fax: (604) 341-1141

Oregon Bear and Cougar Coalition: 4511 SE Hawthorne #204, Portland, OR, 97215 USA

Predator Project: PO Box 6733, Bozeman, MT, 59771 USA

Progressive Animal Welfare Society: PO Box 1037, Lynwood, WA, 98046 USA

Sea Shepherd Conservation Society: 3107A Washington Blvd, Marina Del Rey, CA, 90292 USA
 Phone: 310-301-7325; e-mail: <nvoth@igc.org>

The Bear Project: PO Box 332, Williams, OR 97544 USA

Wildlife Damage Review: PO Box 2541, Tucson, AZ 85702 USA

SLAPP ASSISTANCE
(SLAPP = Strategic Lawsuit Against Public Participation)

for prisoner support and other legal assistance addresses,
 see prison justice / prisoner support
 resource list on next page

SLAPP Resource Center
 University of Denver College of Law
 1900 Olive St
 Denver, CO
 80220 USA
 Phone: 303-871-6266

McLibel Support Campaign
 c/o London Greenpeace
 5 Caledonian Rd
 London N1 9DX
 England

**Coalition Against
 Malicious Lawsuits**
 PO Box 751
 Valley Stream, NY
 11582 USA

NORTH AMERICAN ANIMAL SANCTUARIES

**Center for Animal Protection and Education
 (CAPE):** PO Box 67176, Scotts Valley, CA, 95067-
 7176 USA

CAPE focuses on education about vivisection,
 factory farming, hunting, the fur industry, and other
 forms of animal exploitation. CAPE also has a foster
 care program and has been able to place over 20
 animals in a 5-month period. They are searching for
 more foster homes for animals.

Midwest Animal Rehabilitation Society (MARS):
 Route 2, Box 63, Amherst, NE, 68812 USA

MARS is a grassroots-based group
 "dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation, and release/
 retirement/adoption of animals." MARS also provides
 educational materials, organizes educational
 programs, and provides a free referral program for
 animal welfare issues.

PAWS: PO Box 849, Galt, CA, 95632 USA

"We're dedicated to the protection of
 performing animals and captive wildlife and maintain
 a sanctuary in California for wildlife." They are
 planning to help relocate three elephants from the
 Milwaukee Zoo and recently finished building a
 4000-sq foot mountain lion enclosure.

Primarily Primates: PO Box 207, San Antonio, TX,
 78291-0207 USA

Sanctuary for non-human primates.

*Note: to the person who sent us an
 address of a sanctuary, to include in this
 issue: your card was misplaced in the
 post-burglary confusion —
 please send us the address again!*



MAGAZINES

In addition to these magazines, most groups print excellent newsletters
 — the Hunt Saboteurs Association and the ALFSG-UK in particular.

Magazines dealing with prison issues are listed in the section on prisoner support/prison justice resources.

AnimaLife: The Cornell Animal Rights Advocacy Publication: Willard Straight
 Hall Box 39, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 14850 USA

One of the better mainstream animal rights magazines—fairly
 representative of North American college/university animal rights activism.

Arkangel: BCM 9240, London, WC1N 3XX, England

A great source of information on the range of animal rights/animal
 liberation groups in Britain, from radical to mainstream.

Dressed in Black: PO Box 6845, Syracuse, NY, 13217 USA

For a small zine, there is a lot of information here! Mainly coverage of
 civil disobedience and action ideas. Supportive of the A.L.F. Issue #1 was
 recently published—we look forward to more.

Earth First! Journal: PO Box 1415, Eugene, OR, 95806 USA

An excellent journal on radical environmental and animal liberation
 activism, focussing on North America but with good international coverage.
 Also carries information on imprisoned activists, indigenous struggles, and a
 directory of Earth First! groups across the world. Highly recommended.

Eco-Veg@n: BM HEAL, London, WC1N 3XX, England

New bi-monthly from the animal lib pages editor of *Green Anarchist*. His
 earlier zine, *R@T*, was fantastic, so we expect good things from *Eco-Veg@n*.

Green Anarchist: Box ZZ, 111 Magdalen Road, Oxford, OX4 1RQ, England

A British magazine with a worldwide circulation. Features a regular
 Animal Liberation section in addition to lots of news and articles about earth
 liberation.

Presse pour la Liberation des Animaux (P.L.A.): BP. 66007, 620, St-Jean,
 Quebec City, PQ, G1R 1P8

Most P.L.A. literature (pamphlets, magazines, etc.) are in French.
 The P.L.A. coordinator is bilingual and can answer inquiries in French or
 English. The P.L.A. is a member of the NA-ALFSG and a distributor of
Underground and *Combat*. Pour avoir plus de renseignement sur la P.L.A.,
 écrire au P.L.A.; inclure un timbre dans votre lettre, s.v.p.

SE Liberator: PO Box 307, Ship Street, Brighton, East Sussex, England

Action reports, newspaper clippings, and anything else relating to
 direct action for animal liberation. Published very irregularly.

Schism: PO Box 75119, Richie PO, Edmonton, AB, Canada T6E 6K1

Guaranteed to be a mind-bending rollicking read. Anti-vivisection
 & other animal liberation stuff from a more than slightly warped anarchist
 perspective. INCREDIBLE series of anti-vivisection posters.

Vegan Action / The East Bay Vegan News: PO Box 4353, Berkeley, CA,
 94704 USA

Phone/fax: 510-843-6343
 e-mail: <leor@mellers1.psych.berkeley.edu

Vegan Action distributes a wide range of A.L.F. and other animal
 liberation literature (including primers, newsletters, magazines, infosheets,
 & vegan cookbooks), at ridiculously cheap prices.

The East Bay Vegan News covers "environmental, animal rights, and
 public health" issues. E-mail subscriptions are free.

Note: Defense campaigns for specific prisoners (e.g. Mumia Abu-Jamal, Leonard Peltier) are not listed here. A listing of defense campaigns/addresses for political prisoners in North America is available for \$1 from the NA-ALFSG. If you are looking for general information and are not sure who to contact, "Prison News Service" and the Prison Activist Resource Center (PARC) are two excellent sources.

AGAINST CONTROL UNITS

- **Bonnie Kernes/AFSC:** 972 Broad St, 6th Floor, Newark, NJ, 07102 USA
- **Campaign to End the Marion Lockdown (CEML):** PO Box 578172, Chicago, IL, 60657-8172 USA; (312) 235-0070
- **Colorado Coalition to Abolish Control Unit Torture:** PO Box 1156, Boulder, CO, 80306-1156 USA
- **Mara Taub/Coalition for Prisoners' Rights:** PO Box 1911, Santa Fe, NM, 87504-1911 USA
- **Marty Hiken/NLG Prison Law Project:** 558 Capp St, San Francisco, CA, 94110 USA
- **Pelican Bay Information Project/Pelican Bay Prison Express:** 2489 Mission St #28, San Francisco, CA, 94110 USA
- **Prison Activist Resource Center — Network Against Control Units:** PO Box 3201, Berkeley, CA, 94703 USA; (510) 845-8813 (phone) / (510) 845-8816 (fax); <eli@holonet.net>
- **Prison News Service:** PO Box 5052, Station A, Toronto, ON, Canada M5W 1W4

AGAINST THE WAR ON DRUG USERS

- **Families Against Mandatory Minimums (FAMM):** 1001 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 200-S, Washington, DC, 20004 USA; (202) 457-5790 (phone) / (202) 457-8564 (fax)
 - National network working to overturn mandatory sentencing
- **Fully Informed Jury Association—National Headquarters:** PO Box 59, Helmville, MT, 59843 USA; (406) 793-5550 / 1-800-TEL-JURY
 - Promotes awareness of rights of juries to judge the law itself
- **Prisoners of Conscience Campaign/lowans for Medical Marijuana:** PO Box 4091, Des Moines, IA, 50333 USA; (515) 243-7351: Carl Olsen
 - Group of people who don't use marijuana but want marijuana laws reformed

BOOKS TO PRISONERS

- **Books 2 Prisoners-Canada:** 315 Cambie St, Vancouver, BC, Canada V6B 2N4
- **Books 2 Prisoners-USA:** c/o Left Bank Books, Box A, 92 Pike St, Seattle, WA, 98101 USA
- **Books Though Bars:** c/o New Society Educational Foundation, 4527 Springfield Ave, Philadelphia, PA, 19143 USA
- **Prison Book Program:** c/o Red Book, 92 Green St, Jamaica Plain, MA, 02130 USA
- **Prison Book Project:** c/o Bound Together Books, 1369 Haight St, San Francisco, CA, 94117 USA
- **Prison Library Project:** 976 W. Foothill Blvd, #128, Claremont, CA, 91711 USA

GENERAL / MISC

- **Anarchist Black Cross (ABC) New Jersey:** PO Box 8532, Haledon, NJ, 07088-8532 USA
 - One of the more consistently active ABCs. Write them for addresses for other ABC chapters.
- **Association in Defence of the Wrongly Convicted (AIDWYC):** 100 Consilium Pl, Suite #303, Scarborough, ON, Canada
 - **Coalition for Prisoners' Rights:** PO Box 1911, Santa Fe, NM, 97504-1911 USA
 - **Earth Liberation Prisoners (ELP):** c/o MSEFI, Box 23, 5 High Street, Glastonbury, Somerset, England
 - **Friends of Political Prisoners:** Box 1313, Madison, WI, 53704 USA
 - **League for Lesbian and Gay Prisoners:** 1202 E. Pike St Suite #1044, Seattle, WA, 98122-3934 USA
 - **National Network for Women in Prison:** c/o CCIP, 714 West California Blvd, Pasadena, CA, 91105 USA
 - **National Prison Project:** 1875 Connecticut Ave. NW, Suite 410, Washington, DC, 20009 USA
 - **Out of Control:** 3543 18th St, Box 30, San Francisco, CA, 94110 USA
 - Lesbians supporting women political prisoners
 - **Political Prisoner Project:** 1218 Jackson St, San Francisco, CA, 94109 USA
 - **Prison Activist Resource Center (PARC):** PO Box 3201, Berkeley, CA, 94703 USA; (510) 845-8813/(510) 845-8816 (fax); <eli@holonet.net>
 - PARC is a new project that has been launched out of Berkeley's LongHaul, an activist community center and political library. Coordinated and maintained by long-time prison activists and legal workers, PARC will serve as an information clearinghouse on areas such as political prisoners/POW's, prison abolition, control units, AIDS in prison, and many others.
 - **Prison Fellowship:** PO Box 17500, Washington, DC, 20041 USA
 - pen-pal services for prisoners
 - **Prisoners' Rights Group/Claire Culhane:** #303-2075 E. 12th Ave, Vancouver, BC, Canada V5N 2A9; (604) 873-3070 (phone) / (604) 876-4308 (fax)
 - **Queer Women and Men United in Support of Political Prisoners (QUISP):** Box 282, New York, NY, 10025 USA
 - anti-imperialist; support of queer and non-queer prisoners



PRISONERS OF IMPERIALISM / AMERIKKKA'S WAR ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLE & PEOPLE OF COLOR

- **Black Action Defence Committee (BADC):** 386 Vaughan Rd, Toronto, ON, Canada M6C 2N8
- **Campaign to Free Black Political Prisoners:** c/o Law Offices, 294 Atlantic Ave, Brooklyn, NY, 11201 USA

- **Campaign to Free Black Political Prisoners and POWs:** PO Box 339, Kingsbridge Station, Bronx, NY, 10463-0339 USA; (718) 624-0800
 - Grew out of support for Dhoruba Bin-Wahad, former Black Panther
- **House of Songhay:** PO Box 75437, Baton Rouge, LA, 70874 USA
 - N'COBRA, A.M. 31: Reparations for New Afrikans, including release of New Afrikan prisoners
- **Iron House Drum/Native American Prisoners Rehabilitation Research Project,** 2848 Paddock Lane, Villa Hills, KY, 41017 USA
- **Mother Earth Defense Fund:** Box 53, 10024-82 Ave, Edmonton, AB, Canada T6E 1Z3; (403) 461-9532 (phone) / (403) 450-2665 (fax)
 - "Set up to support indigenous people who protect and defend Mother Earth in conflict with the Canadian legal system"; currently supporting Milton Born With A Tooth
- **MOVE and MOVE Defense:** c/o Janette Africa, 1630 S 56th St, Philadelphia, PA, 19143 USA
 - "since the early 70s, MOVE has waged war against state oppression, racism, child & elder abuse..." Many MOVE members imprisoned.

SUPPORTING THE LUCASVILLE BROTHERS

(Lucasville Uprising, April 1993, in Maximum Security Prison in Lucasville, OH—see articles on pp. 32-36)

- **Alphonse A. Gerhardtstein, Attorney-at-Law:** 617 Vine St., 1409 Enquirer Building, Cincinnati, OH, 45202 USA
 - Lawyer assisting Lucasville prisoners who have claims relating to uses of force incurred by guards/prisoners during the seige; inadequate access to the law library, medical treatment, or programs during the lockdown; property losses; and the lockdown in general
- **David Skidmore:** Vorys, Sater, Seymour and Pease; Suite 2100-Atrium Two, 221 East 4th St. Box 0236, Cincinnati, OH, 45201-0236 USA; (513) 723-4000
 - Lawyer assisting Lucasville prisoners who have complaints about specific instances of retaliation due to protected First Amendment rights, or specific instances of the denial of access to the law library, transfers from other prisons to SOCF without advance written notice or hearings,

PRISONER SUPPORT PRISON JUSTICE PRISON ABOLITION

GROUPS & RESOURCES

- **National Committee To Free Puerto Rican Prisoners Of War:** 1112 N. California, Chicago, IL, 60622 USA
- **National Incarcerated Muslim Network:** Yassir Abdul al Malik, c/o Maurice Taylor #476837, Rt 3, Box 59, Rosharon, TX, 77583 USA
- **Ofensiva 92:** Apartado Postal 02190, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico 00928
 - support for Puerto Rican political prisoners & POWs, action for Puerto Rican independence

PRISONERS WITH AIDS

- **Coalition to Support Women Prisoners at Chowchilla:** PO Box 14844, San Francisco, CA, 94114 USA; (415) 641-4156 / (510) 530-6214
 - supporting women at Central California Women's Facility in Chowchilla, where women are being denied medical care, are segregated and punished for being HIV+, and are denied HIV/AIDS educational materials
- **Correctional HIV Consortium:** 3463 State St, #204, Santa Barbara, CA, 93105 USA
- **Prisoners with HIV/AIDS Support Action Network (PASAN):** 517 College St, Suite 327, Toronto, ON, Canada M6G 4A2; (416) 920-9567 / 1-800-263-9534 (in Ontario only)

SUPPORTING ANIMAL LIB PRISONERS

- **Activist Support Group:** PO Box 9286, Missoula, MT, 59807 USA
 - Has done support work for two Grand Jury prisoners (Deb Stout and Kim Trimiew); is now focussing on raising money for Pascua Yaqui children to visit Rod Coronado.
- **A.L.F. Supporters Groups:** see listings on previous page
- **National Activist Network:** PO Box 19515, Sacramento, CA, 95919 USA; (916) 452-7179
 - Does support work for American animal rights prisoners, including education campaigns about Grand Juries and other harassment of the animal rights movement.
- **Rutgers Animal Law Clinic:** 15 Washington St, Newark, NJ, 07102 USA; (201) 648-5989 (phone) / (201) 648-1040 (fax)

or RIB Appeals from the warden to central office without a decision being made within the 30 day time period

- **Deborah Garlin/Center for Advocacy of Human Rights:** Box 880, Ranchos De Taos, NM, 87557-0880 USA; (505) 751-0197
 - Supporting Little Rock Reed and other Lucasville Brothers
- **Justice Watch:** 932 Dayton St, Cincinnati, OH, 45214 USA
 - supporting the Lucasville Brothers and fighting against Super Max prison proposed after the Uprising
- **Nikki Schwartz:** Attorney-at-Law, 1500 Leader Building, Cleveland, OH, 44114 USA
 - Organizing legal support committees, defence committees for Lucasville Brothers (see *Prison News Service* #44)
- **Professor Lance Kramer:** AOC Associates, 1321 Autumn Hill Dr, Columbus, OH, 43215 USA

MAGAZINES

- **Crossroad:** c/o Spear and Shield Collective, 1340 W. Irving Park Rd, Suite 108, Chicago, IL, 60613 USA; (312) 873-3564
 - One of the main newspapers for news of, and analysis from, New Afrikan POWs and political prisoners. \$6/yr in US, \$15 elsewhere.
- **Pelican Bay Prison Express/Pelican Bay Information Project:** 2489 Mission St #28, San Francisco, CA, 94110 USA
- **Prison Legal News:** Box 1684, Lake Worth, FL, 33460 USA
 - Covers legal issues for those on the inside. Put out by jailhouse lawyers / political prisoners / prison activists. Essential reading.
- **Prison News Service:** PO Box 5052, Station A, Toronto, ON, Canada M5W 1W4
 - An extremely well-done bi-monthly magazine that covers a wide variety of prisoner news, examination of legal/prisoner issues, and prisoners' analysis of liberation struggles. Most of the contributors are prisoners.
- **Raze the Walls:** c/o Incendiary Devices, Box 22774, Seattle, WA, 98122-0774 USA
- **the Nuclear Resister:** PO Box 43383, Tucson, AZ, 85733-3383 USA
 - "Information about and support for imprisoned anti-nuclear activists"; good source of info on the Ploughshares movement.

REACH OUT AND TOUCH SOMEONE: DIAL 1-800

IDEAS

- The first time you call, request a catalog be mailed to you: use a false name, and an address other than your home address.
- When you receive the catalog, call again and place C.O.D. orders to as many addresses as you can think of. Fur stores/other animal exploitation businesses are good addresses to use. The original company will have to pay the postage and C.O.D. charge when the package is refused, so place as large an order as reasonable.
- Tape business-reply cards to packages: the company will have to foot the bill. Mail rocks, bricks, or anything else heavy.
- Phone ultra-frequently to keep the line tied up as much as possible.
- Phone and keep them on the line for as long as possible; ask questions about products, etc. This racks up their bill.
- Write the phone numbers in phone booths, bathroom walls, etc. and write "free phone sex" beside the number. Think of other ways to persuade the general public to call.
- Call and find out their location. Pay them a visit.

ALWAYS call from a pay phone.

Department Stores that Sell Fur

1-800-528-8000: American Express
1-800-626-4800: Broadway
1-800-374-3000: Carson Pirie Scott
1-800-272-2450: Dayton's
1-800-284-3900: Home Shopping Club
1-800-343-0121: Macy's
1-800-634-6267: Neiman Marcus
1-800-777-8910: Robinson's
1-800-345-3454: Saks Fifth Avenue
1-800-955-0020: Woodward & Lothrop

Fur Distributors/Stores/Processors/ Suppliers

1-800-445-6465: American Legend Fur Auction
1-800-541-2114: Bizakis Furs
1-800-241-7243: Brisken Berk Furs
1-800-257-3877: Custom Furs
1-800-735-3877: Custom Furs
1-800-282-6387: D. Cohn Fur Processors
1-800-373-7234: Diamond V. Fur Mills
1-800-221-8826: Erwin Goodman Furs
1-800-334-2923: F.C. Taylor Fur Company
1-800-262-8700: Frantz Sawdust (pelt drying)
1-800-626-2894: Funke Mink Farm/Trap Supplies
1-800-275-4387: Fur Vault
1-800-548-2908: Fur Vault
1-800-451-3733: Fur Vault
1-800-424-3877: Fur Wardrobe
1-800-872-6465: Furs and Leather
1-800-423-6465: Furs by Weiss
1-800-521-2037: Henig Furs
1-800-248-5332: Jensen Furs
1-800-776-3610: La Budde Feed and Grain
1-800-331-5255: Lingenfelter Brill Furs
1-800-323-0449: Merit Nomac Furs
1-800-722-6455: Mills Fur Farm Supplies
1-800-437-6465: Mink Specialties
1-800-558-5803: National Fur Feed
1-800-242-5902: National Fur Feed (in WI only)
1-800-772-3277: National Superior Processors
1-800-523-4803: Northern Fur and Sport
1-800-422-7467: Pollack Furrier Supply
1-800-248-2664: Revillon Furs
1-800-762-6374: Riverdale Mills Cages
1-800-551-3906: Seattle Fur Exchange
1-800-433-4263: Talicor Furs
1-800-347-7040: Tendler Furs
1-800-332-0037: Tubari Ltd. Fur Processors
1-800-283-6465: United Vaccines
1-800-872-3699: USA Foxx and Furs
1-800-235-9656: Wisco Fur Foods

Hunting Suppliers/Guides

1-800-458-2879: Big Game Fishing
1-800-767-9168: Boar Hunting Video
1-800-654-3825: Bowhunter's Video
1-800-833-9777: Bowhunting Safari Consult.
1-800-451-4572: Burnham Brothers
1-800-235-7764: Colorado Trophy Hunt
1-800-666-2619: Deer/Turkey Hunts

Hunting Suppliers/Guides cont.

1-800-437-2474: G. Lamoreux Alaskan Guide
1-800-344-8173: Hayward L. Simmons
1-800-441-3036: Jonny Stewart
1-800-555-8815: Kester's Game Food
1-800-223-8581: King of Sports Fox Food
1-800-665-0240: Plummer's Lodge
1-800-356-7453: R. & Fred Bettschen
1-800-624-5988: Safari Land Hunting
1-800-888-3006: The Sportsman's Guide
1-800-289-0474: Wayne Gatling
1-800-448-6846: World Hunts

Leather/Other Animal Skins

1-800-426-6105: Diamond's Leather
1-800-922-2188: Eel Skin Elegance
1-800-243-8335: Eel Skin Unlimited
1-800-525-0952: Leather Center
1-800-233-7155: Leather Factory

Meat Industry: Suppliers/Distributors/ Equipment Manufacturers

1-800-323-7553: American Feeds & Livestock
1-800-227-1116: Atlantic Seafood Direct
1-800-221-6988: Atlantic Veal Corporation
1-800-424-2610: Auth Brothers Meats
1-800-543-6328: Beck Sausage
1-800-892-6342: Birchwood Livestock Genetics
1-800-289-2833: Buffalo Meat
1-800-937-1800: Burger King
1-800-323-4848: Butterball Turkey
1-800-832-6595: Cattlemen Meat Company
1-800-257-2977: Certified Prime Meats
1-800-635-5394: Church's Fried Chicken Catering
1-800-738-8239: Clifty Farm Country Meats
1-800-637-7559: Country Fed Meat Company
1-800-544-5893: Double J. Limousine Beef
1-800-331-3276: Farm Bureau Network
1-800-654-1366: Fresh Seafood Express
1-800-458-7682: Glazed Honey Hams
1-800-262-8545: Heavenly Ham
1-800-688-1990: Heger Feed Supply Company
1-800-242-1314: Henry J.'s Meat
1-800-369-4658: Holt Products Veal Hormones
1-800-367-2426: Honeybaked Ham
1-800-423-4267: Honeycrust Hams
1-800-223-5759: Jerky Hut
1-800-328-0652: Lakeland Vet Veal Antibiotics
1-800-237-5262: Lamb Pasta Sauce
1-800-624-6301: Lobster Express
1-800-446-4009: Look's Live Lobsters
1-800-334-5396: M & F Meat
1-800-822-6328: Malcomb Meats
1-800-541-1638: Midwest Turkey Call Supply
1-800-272-3529: Minden's Meat Market
1-800-635-3759: Myer's Meats
1-800-662-3447: Nashville Poultry and Egg
1-800-835-9180: National Beef Company
1-800-255-5944: Nebraska's Choice Steaks
1-800-622-2776: Oklahoma Cattlemen's Assoc.
1-800-228-9055: Omaha Steaks International

Meat Industry cont.

1-800-344-4267: Padows Hams
1-800-336-7753: Robbins Livestock Auction
1-800-458-4267: Robertson's Hams
1-800-527-2825: Sabal Meats
1-800-468-2472: Sav-A-Caf Veal Hormones
1-800-541-3898: Shatz Brothers Meats
1-800-842-0297: Shultz Meats
1-800-541-5933: Sir Loin Meat Shoppe
1-800-232-8325: Susquehanna Industry Veal Feed
1-800-535-4555: USDA Meat and Poultry Hotline
1-800-323-0955: Veal Hotline
1-800-338-4868: Venison Etc.
1-800-233-6332: Weaver Chicken

Trapping Suppliers

1-800-999-6498: Dean Parrison (a trapper)
1-800-828-7077: Dog Proof Trap Company
1-800-245-6483: Dunn "Fur Tamer" Knives
1-800-344-2923: F.C. Taylor Fur Company
1-800-423-9526: Hoosier Trapper Supplies
1-800-279-4252: Koch Trapping Supply
1-800-523-4803: Northern Fur and Sport
1-800-282-5663: Pete Rickard Lures
1-800-458-5647: Rigging and Wear Trapping Supp.
1-800-545-8737: Ross Carmen Lures
1-800-762-2706: RP Outdoors Trapping Supplies
1-800-368-5924: SE Outdoors
1-800-247-7709: Shedas Trapping Supply
1-800-373-8097: Snare Shop
1-800-742-8727: Sterling Fur and Tool
1-800-356-6730: Tom Miranda's
1-800-800-1819: Woodstream Trapping Suppliers

Vivisection Researchers/Suppliers

1-800-521-3368: Big Serv Lab Animal Supplies
1-800-468-7746: Bristol-Myers Squibb
1-800-443-6379: Berkshire Lab Animal Supplies
1-800-334-5551: Carolina Biological Supply Co.
1-800-522-7287: Charles Rivers Lab Animal Supply
1-800-624-4321: Chemical Manufacturers' Ass.
1-800-338-8388: Colgate-Palmolive
1-800-272-2775: Harvard Apparatus Lab Animal Supplies
1-800-345-4114: Hazleton Research Products
1-800-245-6921: Hilltop Lab Animals
1-800-361-8068: Johnson & Johnson
1-800-538-2697: Pharmaceutical Manufactur. Ass.
1-800-543-0485: Proctor & Gamble
1-800-366-2873: Research America
1-800-848-2588: SC Johnson
1-800-962-2660: Ward's Biological Supply

Other Animal Exploiters

1-800-259-8200: International Ostrich Breeders
1-800-872-7202: Gillette
Gillette Company, Prudential Tower, MA, 02199 USA
- still supports animal testing and hiring out laboratories, despite recently banning animal tests for its skin care product company Jafra and stopping all in-house animal tests



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archive of old & rare direct action news