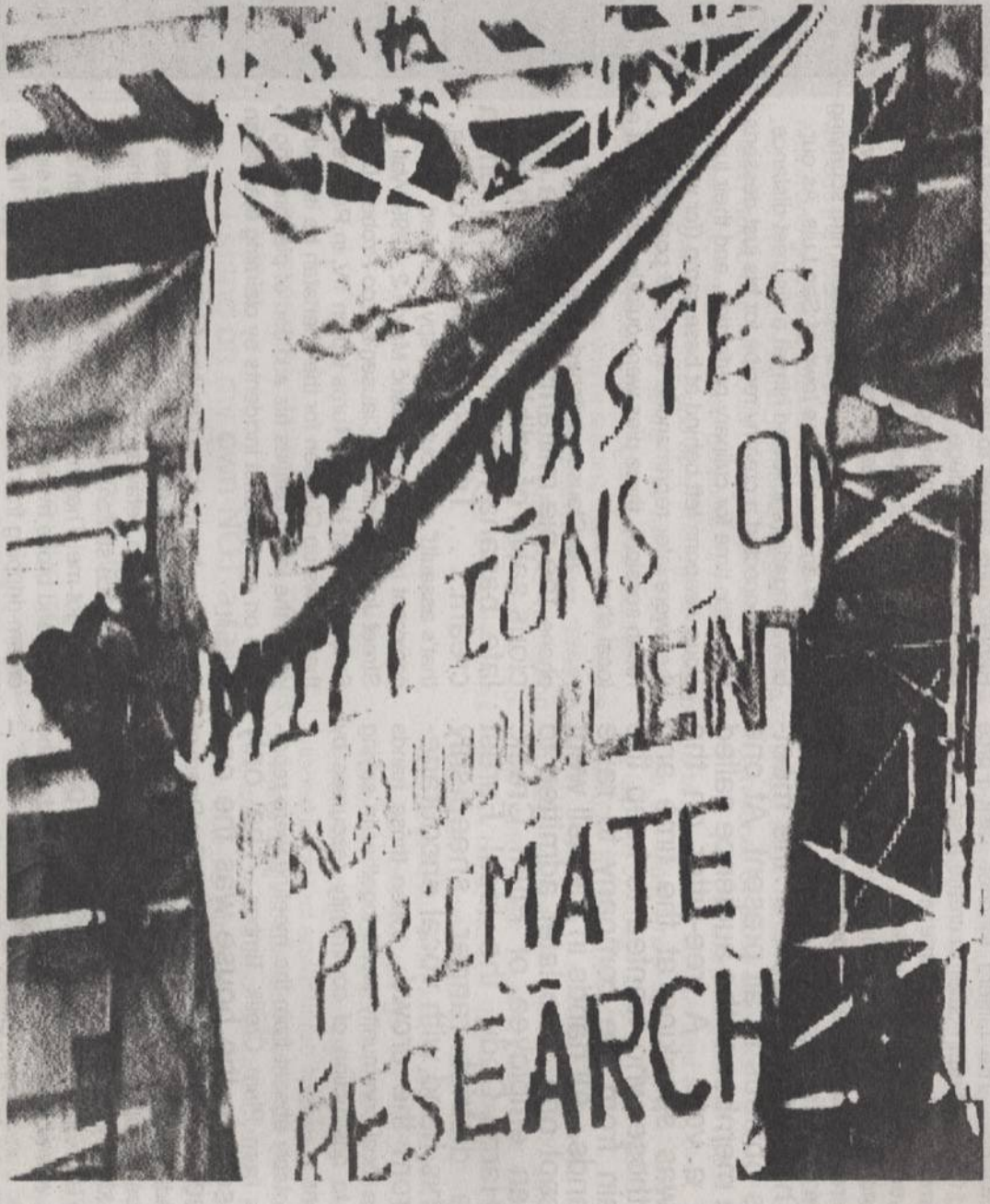
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welcome,

When abolition was achieved in 1807 we said the slaves were "freed". When Americans of African decent were given the right to vote in 1964 we said they were granted equality. Yet now, when 40% of Death Row inmates are black, while only 12% of US citizens are, we say they are criminals.

Slavery and Segregation were mere symptoms of a larger situation known as Racism. The fact that they are outlawed does not mean that racism has been eliminated, that African Americans are as equal to, and as free as all other citizens, only that racism has taken on new forms.

Women were not legally allowed to vote until 1920, or to terminate their own pregnancies until 1973. While these were both successes in their own ways, none of them were able to put an end to the mentality which causes these situations to exist. This mentality, Sexism, remains prominent in the many forms of disrespect and objectification of women apparent in the media and in mind of the public.

Throughout history, the various movements working towards Social Change, a shift in the mindset of the public, have been the movements that have created the most lasting and effective progress. Once the public realizes that change is needed it naturally reacts and creates this change, often through legislature. When we attempt to bypass this social change and work to solely towards changing legislature we fail to effect the paradigm which is creating the need for change in the first place. This outlines the difference between Law and Morality, the difference between acting because you believe something is right or wrong, or not acting because the law tells you not to do so. Beliefs are acted on regardless of law because they are deeply held understandings. Laws are followed only when folks are intimidated into doing so.

Racism, Sexism and all other forms of injustice and oppression are also mere symptoms of a larger societal disease. This disease is the value of Greed and Power over Peace and Equality. It creates countless forms of oppression and when legislature is used to stop one of these injustices, it simply creates another, and another.

The main reason why grassroots direct action plays such a key role in the actual progression towards lasting peace and justice is that it more directly attacks the fundamental problem causing injustice and oppression. Rather than looking to legislature which can only treat the symptoms of the larger disease, through grassroots direct action the people are attacking the disease itself, directly creating positive social change.

Another reason Grassroots Direct Action is such an effective tactic is it's ability to instantly put an end to the oppression. While diluted legal routes can take up to years to prove effective, something like constructing a treesit in an ancient forrest threatened by clearcuttting can stop the chainsaws instantly, exposing the issue and gaining the support that it takes to protect the forest forever.

Grassroots Direct Action is the natural reaction to oppression. When one is oppressed one naturally retaliates to put an end to the injustice forced upon them, not by lobbying congress. It is more than often the system itself who is responsible for the injustice and turning to the oppressor for help is simply not a natural response. Our passive inaction is in itself a form of oppression and getting active on a direct grassroots level can be personally liberating.

RESISTANCE, journal of grassroots direct action exists to expose grassroots direct action as an extremely effective means of creating positive social change. Once we realize that all oppression stems from the same root-cause we can work together and become an unstoppable force for positive social change.



~lesliejames, editor

The 1999 Primate Freedom Tour

In 1997 an individual named Rick Bogle toured the US conducting nine day vigils outside seven primate research facilities protesting the use of non-human primates in scientific and medical research. A protest tour like this was a revolutionary idea and erupted with an unexpected public response on the issue of animal experimentation.

The facilities he chose to visit were the seven Regional Primate Research Centers formed and funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), government institutions payed for with american tax dollars. These centers, located in Seattle WA, Beaverton OR, Davis CA, Covington LA, Atlanta GA, Madison WI, and Southboro MA, were built in the early nineteen sixties with promises of finding cures for many of the diseases ailing the american public, nearly forty years later not a single breakthrough applicable to human health has come out of any of these seven centers receiving millions of our research designated tax dollars in funding every year.

The reason that this unthinkable abuse of primates has resulted in such an immense waste of resources is the basic truth that veterinary medicine cannot be applied to human medicine. There is a growing movement of healthcare professionals including doctors, scientists and educated members of the public who are opposed to non—human animal based experimentation on specifically medical and scientific grounds. They argue that animal research is based on a false premise, that results obtained through animal experimentation can be applied to the human body. Animals not only react differently than humans to different drugs, vaccines and experiments, but they also react differently from one another. Ignoring this difference has been and continues to be very costly to human health.



In 1999 a similar tour was conducted, only this time it was a three month caravan led by a sixty foot bus filled with activists. The 1999 Primate Freedom Tour not only went to the seven (now eight) Regional Primate Research Centers but to seventeen other major primate research facilities across the US and concluded with a visit to the NIH in Washington DC.





"During the week of June 1 through june 4 , Seattle will be the first stop on the 1999 Primate Freedom Tour. This is a touring group of animal rights protesters who may stop here at the University of Washington. There could be disturbances from this group sometime during this period. Please use care when planning your activities for the week." - warning notice given to employees by the WaRPRC

The 1999 Primate Freedom Tour began on 6/1/99 in Seattle, WA at the Washington Regional Primate Research Center (WaRPRC), which received $35 million in funding from the NIH in 1997 alone, making it the largest recipient of tax dollars for primate experimentation in the world. They claim to house 1,800 monkeys, representing four species, at the actual facility, and another 1,400 macaques at a second facility in Indonesia.



Folks who had committed to traveling the entirety of the tour gathered early in Seattle, made acquaintances and discussed strategies that would be used throughout the tour. A press conference was held announcing the beginning of the 1999 Primate Freedom Tour and exposing the fraud and cruelty behind primate vivisection. A large march with street puppets and banners denouncing primate vivisection was conducted through the university district leading to the Washington Regional Primate Center (WRPRC) where more than fifty activists entered the center attempting to gain access to actual laboratories and succeeded in causing a general disturbance for hours banging on doors and windows of locked labs. Later thirty five activists marched into the president's office at Washington University, the host university for the WRPRC, demanding a public forum on the lack of scientific and medical breakthroughs applicable to human health that have come out of forty years of primate based research at WRPRC. The forum was denied the activists refused to leave and conducted a twenty hour sit-in / office takeover drumming on filing cabinets and chanting slogans like "STOP WASTING MONEY, SAVE HUMAN LIVES" and "THEY DON'T CARE IF PEOPLE DIE, VIVISECTION IS A LIE" resulting in live news coverage by multiple stations at noon, one pm, five pm, six pm, ten pm, eleven pm, five am, and six am. After camping out in the president's office the activists decided to greet the president himself as he was leaving his home for work in the morning. The news cameras followed and watched as he fumbled over his words when trying to explain why he refused to discuss the issue with concerned citizens. The momentum which was to continue throughout the tour had been set.

The Oregon Regional Primate Research Center (ORPRC) was the first of the Regional Primate Research Centers to be built. It houses over 2300 monkeys and is a major supplier of rhesus macaques to other facilities throughout the nation. It received a total of $18,125,255 in NIH funding in 1998 and $14,640,270 in 1997. ORPRC is planning to enlarge from their current 190 employees to 1800 employees. The center has a history of civil disobedience actions against them and and a long running public campaign to shut it down. It was also the sight of the second stop of the tour.

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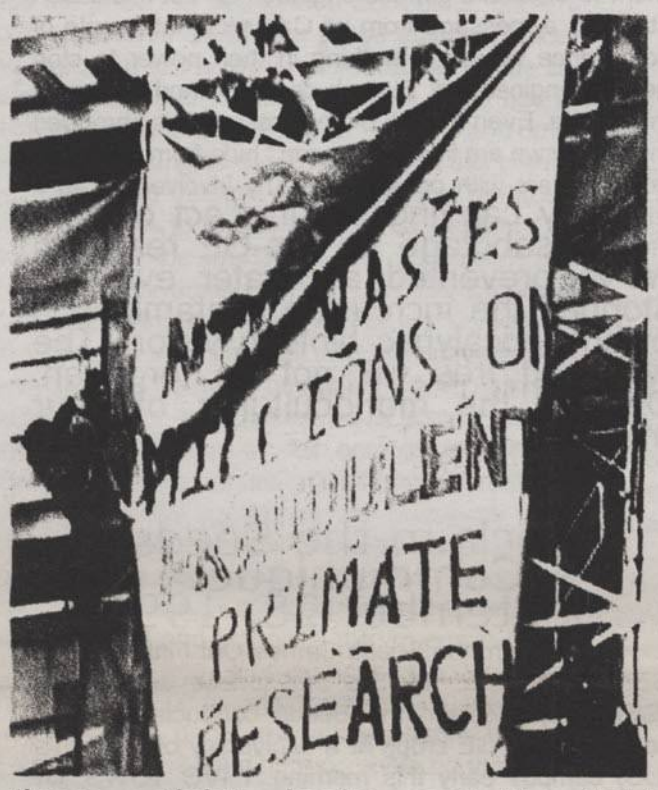
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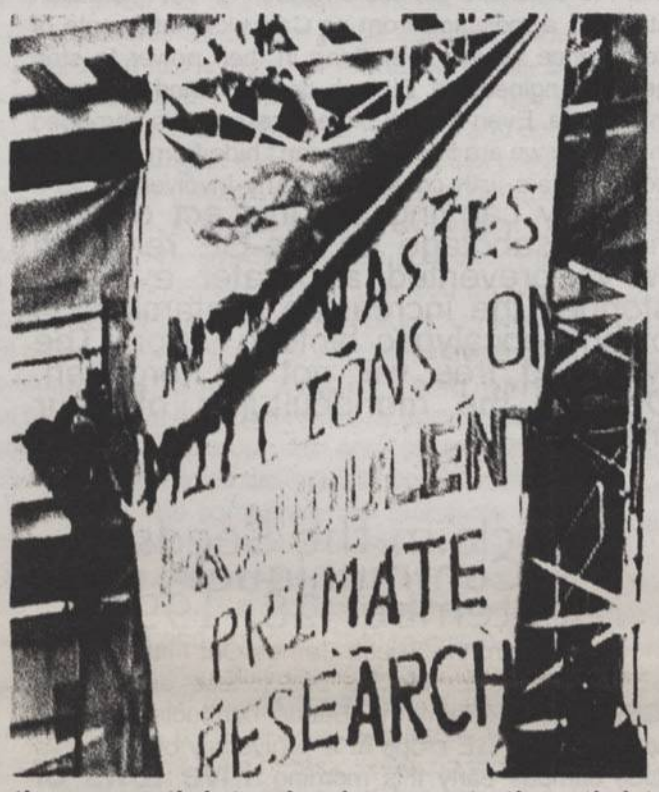
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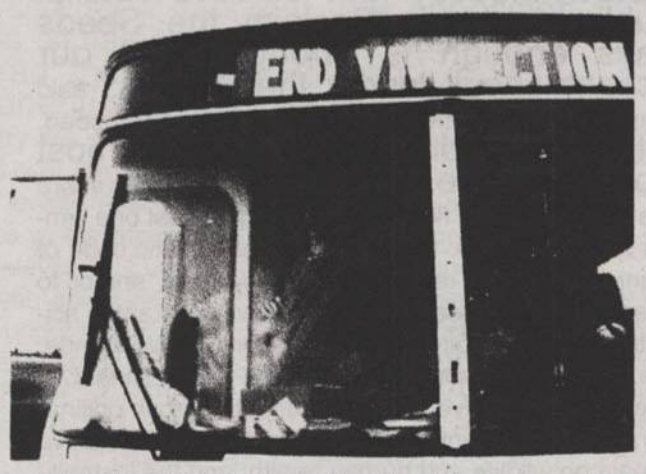
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Second- Within(but definitely not limited to) the public school system of today, the fraction of staff that went to their work with good intentions of helping and caring for the students begin to lose sight very quickly/easily. Many administrators see the students not as students, but as a problem to be corrected. The schools that I have attended have chosen to spend their funding on security guards... surveillance cameras... walkie talkies and laptops for janitors. This was not reform school, mind you, just a regular public institution in the suburbs of Portland. I didn't have to have a degree to see that *education* was not the primary concern. A lot of the time, the way the disciplinary staff present themselves mimicked exactly not only the lack of understanding and respect found in any typically oppressed and frustrated youth, but that trademark 7th - grade wise crack cynicism as well. And society willingly fertilizes it's budding young future with this kind of travesty?

In schools today, troubled youth can not get help. Teachers are busy and strained from grading papers. Counselors tell your parents you need psychiatric evaluation if you come to them with your feelings. No figures of authority would take me seriously when I needed encouragement, they just told me that I looked like I was doing better than I had last month because I was wearing less black clothing. They didn't know me and they didn't want to , they already knew I was below their level by the way my clothes were baggy and the way my skin wasn't. They knew I couldn't think straight and that I would look back and laugh at myself in ten years because I was young. If you can't imagine for yourself the invalidation of a mind can produce in this type of setting, I have one word for you:COLUMBINE. We force kids to care about things they don't, we don't take them seriously, and we don't let them make their own decisions from the start. Yet we take it for granted that they can't be trusted once they are "old enough".

All of my life, predominately outside of school, I have been told I was a smart kid, different from my peers. I didn't fail to shock the neighborhood when I dropped out (with honors). Many want to stereotype me and few want to try to understand me, but I believe I know where I'm going with all this. Close to homeschooling, I made the choice to take up an alternative in which I could still get an education. I don't divide my day up into 7 periods anymore in which I read pointlessly out of a textbook written at a second grade level. I'm not getting the same extremely biased thin slice

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George Wald said in 'The Case against Genetic Engineering', that "the results will be essentially new organisms, self perpetuating and hence permanent. Once created, they cannot be recalled." How can we sit back and wait for this biopollution to occur? The only way to intercept the release of biohazards into the environment is to derail this runaway "Frankenscience" now! GE research must be stopped before introduction or we will constantly be dealing with deadly final results.

There are many affiliations with West for (www.westernforest.com/index.html) that expose their intentions to create frankenforests. Yousry El-Kassaby (http://www.forestry.ubc.ca/people/kassaby.html) from the University of British Columbia works for Westfor in the field of "adaptation of forest tree species" and is interested in the application of biotechnology into forestry practices." Here in BC, the provincial Ministry of Forests (MoF) (http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/)continues to allow multinational logging corporations to pillage the forests. There is much talk of the "falldown effect," the time when the industry has finished off the old-growth and doesn't have enough production from tree farms to sustain current operations. So, instead of stopping or slowing down the rapacious Annual Allowable Cut (AAC), the MoF and industry have decided to count on increasing the "genetic worth" of commercial tree species to make up for the lack of available timber.

The Chief Forester of BC delivered a revealing speech on June 15, 1999. Larry Pedersen, formerly with the Tree Improvement Council (renamed the Forest Genetics Council of BC, see below URL) and now the top chopper, titled his address, "Genes, Trees and AACs-For rapid relief of falldown" (http://www.fgcouncil.bc.ca/framdocs.htm) . He discussed the research and programs underway to ensure that B.C.'s incredibly biodiverse forests, once stripped, will be replaced with monocultured frankenforests. A goal of the Forest Genetics Council, which serves as the umbrella organization for government, industry, and universities in BC, is "doubling the average volume gain of genetically improved seed produced from 6% to 12% by 2007 [and] increasing genetically improved seed use to 75% of total provincial sowing by 2007." Furthermore, through its extension branch, the MoF's Tree Improvement Branch paves the way for bioimperialist corporations by providing "new equipment, growing methods, fertilization, and propagation techniques [that] are operationally tested and developed at the site for industry use." (http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/TIP/0-index.html)

It is likely that Westfor will respond by claiming that GE trees allow for more eco-friendly industrial processes that will help save the Earth's forests. This claim, often made by biotech transnationals is false, and in reality GE trees will lead to increased conversion of forests into regimented wood pulp factories and increased chemical use. Professor Mae-Wan Ho of the UK Open University Department of Biology says, "Genetic engineering bypasses conventional breeding by using artificially constructed parasitic genetic elements, including viruses, as inside cells. These vectors slot themselves into the host genome. The insertion of foreign genes into the host genome has long been known to have many harmful and fatal effects including cancer of the organism." Westfor must also address the issues of cross-pollination and horizontal gene transfer of GE trees that pose a severe threat to environmental safety.

The third Ministerial of the World Trade Organization (WTO) will be held in Seattle, WA from November 30 through December 4, 1999. Leaders of transnational corporations, governments and an army of bureaucrats will be coming to Seattle to further their insidious drive for profits and control over life. Biotechnology will be one of the main issues discussed at Seattle and the Sanitary and Phytosanitary Standards (SPS) Agreement which regulates movement of biological goods internationally, could ensure free movement of GE trees. Also on the agenda is the "Accelerated Tariff Liberalization," an attempt by the US and Canada to remove remaining import taxes known as 'tariffs' on processed wood products, in order to penetrate Asian markets. A study by the Forest and Paper Association US, shows that reduction of tariffs would result in a 3-4% increase in global wood consumption. Increased consumption means increased logging - making this a virtual "Global Free Logging Agreement" (FLA)!

Corporate interest and forest product industry is putting the heat on to further the FLA. This sinister plan is being spurred by Big Biotech, Big Timber, Big Oil etc. with interest and investment in GE trees in hopes that it will produce faster growing plantations and thus make their plantations a more valuable commodity in the future international marketplace of emission credits. (http://www.tao.ca/ban/indexaa.htm)

This proactive action against Westfor and frankenforests is the first of its kind. We feel this action against pre-GE is a necessary component of the global movement to eradicate genetic engineering. Let this action stand as a message from us Canucks-that people of conscience will do everything in their power to stop genetic engineering. Biotech doesn't stand a chance in Canada. Even though biotech research is shrouded in secrecy we are finding it. It can't hide from nocturnal eco-foresters with conscience! Any involvement is a target. By carrying out this act of economic sabotage on pre-GE research we've prevented a greater evil and stopped the increasing contamination of an apocalyptic biotech vision. The wild and free will not be forgotten. Destroy the monocultures of your mind.

Reclaim the Seeds Communique: September 28, 1999

Reclaim the Seeds Carries Out Fifth Raid on GE Crops Davis, CA-The anti-genetic engineering (GE) group Reclaim the Seeds conducted its fifth action against GE crops at a University of California (UC) campus early this morning. Five rows of transgenic melons, 16 rows of transgenic walnut trees, 60 rows of pesticide ridden tomatoes, and two pieces of research equipment were removed from the biotech agenda of UC-Davis's Department of Plant Pathology (DPP) and the Center for Engineering Plants for Resistance Against Pathogens (CEPRAP). The incident was the fifth in as many weeks, following three previous events in Davis and one in Berkeley. "The University of California at Davis has one of the largest transgenic research programs in the world. From tomatoes and trees to primates and mice, UC provides the biotech industry with lucrative data at public expense. Reclaim the Seeds says enough is enough, and our actions speak louder than words," said conservative organic farmer Johnna Appleseed. "Nonviolent direct action is a most powerful force." The DPP and CEPRAP share the same address, field facilities, and at least one similar research focus: to manipulate the genetic code of plants in order to repel pests and disease, and/or to tolerate specific pesticides. However, substantial scientific evidence points out the dangers of this agenda: the creation of 'super-pests' which are resistant to ever-increasing levels of pesticides; the cross-pollination of organic plants with mutant genes; the negative impact on wildlife and human health; and the instability of GE crops, a serious threat to the world's food security. Of particular concern are the multiple permits for bioengineering resistance to Lepidopterans (butterflies) into fruit and nut trees through the insecticide Bacillus thuringiensis (Bt). In light of the landmark Cornell University study which concluded that Bt corn pollen was lethal to Monarch butterflies, this is totally unacceptable. Researchers at UCD have received numerous permits for GE field experiments from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, including such crops as tomatoes, melons, walnuts, apples, persimmons,

corn, and rice (view USDA permits at http://www.aphis.usda.gov/bbep/bp/). In addition, biotech corporations such as Monsanto and AgrEvo conduct field experiments using campus facilities, as well as staff and students. The plot of tomatoes targeted this morning was sprayed with the toxic pesticide Bravo Chlorothalonil. Judging from past denials of both UC-Davis and Berkeley about the nature of their research, we removed a sign from the plot which details this reckless pesticide use in case we need to prove it. For more information or directions to the site, contact DPP or CEPRAP at: One Shields Avenue, Davis, CA 95616. The field is on Old Davis Road near the juncture of Interstate 80 and Highway 113.

"Reclaim the Genes" Communique, Oct. 27, 1999

In solidarity with the U.S. October 27th National Day of Action against Genetic Engineering-Canada's "Frankenforests" Get the Axe Vancouver, British Columbia-Canada's Silvagen Inc. opened its doors for work this morning to find its genetically engineered (GE) conifers were the next target of the global movement to protect the fabric of life. We are "Reclaim the Genes," Canada's newly sprouted group of anti-GE nocturnal gardeners.

Amidst the pre-dawn fog and shadows of Oct. 27, **we thoroughly decontaminated a patch of earth containing 500 bio-hazardous, genetically mutated evergreen saplings.** Larger-sized trees were sawed, while smaller seedlings were snapped and uprooted. We also felt some redecorating of the research area was in order, and proceeded to rearrange research tags, flags and labels. The BC Ministry of Forests funded Silvagen's decontaminated research. The site is located at 3650 Wesbrook Mall, near the University of British Columbia.

Silvagen, a subsidiary of BC Research Inc., boasts of being the "world leader in forest biotechnology-based reforestation products and services" (consult www.silvagen.com). Genetically altered at the embryonic stage, Silvagen's trees are engineered for increased production volume and contain "superior" traits for pest and disease resistance, as well as faster growth, increased wood fibre and a "better quality" of wood.

Operating by the all-too-familiar "bigger-better-faster-more" mentality, Silvagen plans to cover the landscape with "frankenforests" — monocultures of profit-friendly, time-expedient, and sanitized trees. GE forestry research is alarmingly prevalent across the globe, and Canada is no exception, particularly here in British Columbia. BC has gained a notorious reputation for the rapid liquidation of its last remaining ancient, native forests. The dying logging industry realizes it can't log to infinity, and is worried. The industry's capitalist quick fix lies in the horrors of biotechnology. It is clear that all **forest defenders must now not only stop the clearcutting of the last few fragments of old-growth forest, but must also stop GE dead in its tracks.**

This action is the first of its kind for Canada, but comes on the heels of rapidly increasing acts of GE sabotage world-wide. In the past several years, Europe has led the way in the fight for our genetic heritage, with mass crop-pullings by day and night, as well as fierce public outrage. Most recently, there has been a flurry of crop-pullings in the United States. Today's action occurred in conjunction with an U.S. Day of Action against GE. "We Canucks wanted to put Canada on the map as inhospitable to the mad science of genetic engineering," said Gerrard Winstanley, spokesperson for Reclaim the Genes.

Politically, the next hurdle in the fight against GE lies in defeating and dismantling its most sinister proponent, the World Trade Organization (WTO). Formed in 1995, the neoliberal agenda of the WTO has already wreaked havoc on labor issues, environmental standards, and human rights all over the world. At its upcoming ministerial meeting in Seattle, WA, in late November, the WTO will push for a genetically altered future. The WTO intends to overturn national laws banning GE foods, declaring them barriers to free trade. Thousands of activists are gathering for what looks to be the biggest protest of our decade.

"Our action will serve as a message to the WTO that genetic engineering will not be tolerated in Canada," stated Mr. Winstanley.

Reclaim the Seeds Communiqué, September 16, 1999

It's harvest time in California. The anti genetix, pro-organic nighttime gardeners known as Reclaim the Seeds leveled yet another of UC Professor Michael Freeling's genetic-engineering research corn plots early this morning in Davis. This incident builds on three prior visits in Berkeley, including a decontamination just two evenings ago. Freeling is known for his corporate-driven biotechnology research. Having worked in the past for Zeneca, he is the first recipient of a grant from the Novartis Agricultural Discovery Institute (http://plantbio.berkeley.edu/~freeling/docs/599genome.html), part of a $25 million "strategic alliance" between UC Berkeley and Novartis. He also holds a permit from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to make GE tests on corn. The director of the UCD biotechnology program, Martina McGloughlin, parrots one of the standard industry defenses of their agenda: that GE is just a next step in cross-breeding, which farmers have done since time immemorial. Yet it doesn't take a rocket scientist (or honest plant geneticist) to realize that there is a qualitative difference between the addition of genetic code from a fish, pig, pesticide or virus to that of a plant in secret laboratories, and the honorable work of farmers cultivating special varieties in their fields over generations. Furthermore, McGloughlin states that GE food is safe and accepted by consumers. Yet a few hours on the Internet proves the opposite. GE crops have been linked to genetic pollution, creation of new viruses and bacteria, damage to beneficial insects, increased pesticide use and the creation of "superpests." According to research released earlier this year, GE potatoes were shown to damage vital organs and compromise the immune systems of rats. In studies conducted at Cornell University and Iowa State University this year, pollen released from GE corn was found lethal to Monarch butterflies. And as for the claim of acceptance by consumers, the widespread crop destruction, protests, lawsuits, and governmental action around the world against GE food suggests a different conclusion. Experts from UC assured us that nuclear power was safe, but experience proved different. **Experts from universities, government agencies, and industry groups also assured us that clear-cutting, strip mining, drift-netting, factory-farming, and animal testing was safe, and to leave the debate to the experts. To hear more experts from UC claim that GE is safe without any oversight, environmental assessments, input or public disclosure does not give one much reassurance.** While global resistance to GE is growing leaps and bounds, people living in the U.S. have been slow to respond. Regrettable, considering that U.S. based corporations and government trade policies power the GE engine. The San Francisco Bay Area is the belly of the genetix beast as it were, serving as the hub of biotech research in North America (and if the industry is to be believed the world). The University of California system conducts more research on genetically-modified organisms than any other. Therefore, **we of Reclaim The Seeds feel a responsibility to muster as much strength and determination as possible to rid the planet of this ecological, economic, and social disaster.** Many thanks to our comrades in other countries for the inspiration to join them in nonviolent direct action. This event is dedicated to our domestic comrades: the "Seeds of Resistance" in Maine; the "Bolt Weevils" in Minnesota; the "Cropatisas," "Lodi Loppers" and "California Croppers" in our neck of the woods; and the mysterious Monarch butterflies of Vermont, who pulled up fields of GE corn late one night with no help from we humans. Special Section: How to DIY (Do It Yourself) In a true example of appropriate technology, Reclaim the Seeds has developed through hours of research and testing a new-and-improved method for GE corn-culling. Only by using this method were we able to level many thousands of plants in just a few hours. Reclaimers use long metal poles (tomato poles are good) to plough through and push over the corn, two rows at a time on a parallel path along the rows. The devices, dubbed "California Corn Cutters," are held out in front of the responsible individual and propelled by forward motion. The corn, once snapped down toward the horizon, has been terminated (see next para-

of world history that everyone else is. I teach myself. I choose to learn through experience and accept the mistakes I make, knowing I've gained insight. I treat the world as my school, and I love it. I love the unlimited course offerings, the countless teachers that are specialized in what they do, and the fact that I have complete individual autonomy and a comfy tailor-made intellectual extravaganza. I'm not just preparing to live life, I'm also living it.

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Michael Novick, People Against Racial Terror

The Multilateral Agreement on Investment, or "MAI," is a new attempt by global capital to create a supra-national political authority. It would bend local and national laws to the needs of multinational corporations. Corporations, more so than governments or citizens, would be its constituents and political actors. The "MAI" has drawn widespread and justified opposition, particularly from countries whose existing domination by the imperial powers would be deepened. It is part of a new proposed system of international economic and political organization that is being proposed. The plan is to transcend the national sovereignty that is acting as a brake on the kind of untrammeled exploitation that capitalism is increasingly required to carry out to maintain its "profitability." **The "MAI" is part of a network of treaties and arrangements that, under the pretext of "free trade" and "deregulation," *are actually placing the* power of the state directly into the hands of multinational corporations.** These include NAFTA, pre-existing entities like the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund (IMF), and the World Trade Organization, which developed out of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT). The transformation from an "agreement" to an "organization" is a measure of the move toward direct corporate economic governance. **But because many existing economic interests will suffer in this transformation, not all opposition to the MAI is anti-imperialist or anti-capitalist in nature.** The Dutch anti-racist organization "De Fabel van de illegaal" (The myth of Illegality) is involved in the international campaigns against free-trade agreements like the MAI. It began to do research and analysis of the opposition to the MAI, after getting regular compliments for its position from the extreme right. The Dutch anti-racists found that a critique of free trade has long been a specialty of the extreme right, and has proven to turn easily towards anti-Semitism, which has been described as "the socialism of fools." The Dutch anti-racists also concluded that weaknesses in the anti-MAI campaign left it highly vulnerable to such hijacking by the extreme right. What is true in the Netherlands holds for the U.S. and Canada as well, so we should consider what they have to say. They report that the early Dutch fascist Hylkema said in 1934 that free trade would bring the Dutch factories and farms down and push Dutch goods off the domestic market. He preached that the only chance for survival was a fascist economy. "We should control our national household in

POLICE BRUTALITY IN PORTLAND!









After attending a peaceful protest in support of political prisoner Mumia Abu Jamal Friday, October 15th, 6 people were arrested, at least two of these individuals suffered extreme brutality from the Portland Police. Craig Rosebraugh, locally and nationally known activist with Liberation Collective had his arm seriously broken, was trampled by a police horse and was dragged a block and a half by his broken arm to the "Justice Center." Pain holds were being applied to Rosebraugh's arm throughout the arrest and transport. He was charged with "disorderly conduct" and "failure to obey a park officer" and was immediately rushed by ambulance to Emanual Hospital. Rosebraugh has been diagnosed with an aggravated spiral fracture to his humerus.

Elaine Close, another well known activist with Liberation Collective was forcefully pushed to the ground in the street full of moving vehicles. Both a bus and a car barely missed hitting her. Close was then arrested and dragged into the "Justice Center." Her arm and wrist were severely bruised from pain compliance holds from the Portland Police Department.

STATEMENT BY ELAINE CLOSE: "I attended the Mumia Abu Jamal rally on Friday as a member of Liberation Collective, a group committed to fighting injustice. We were there to protest the denial of Mumia Abu Jamal's constitutional rights and ended up being subjected to abuse and brutality ourselves.

After the organizers of the rally encouraged people to put down their signs and leave to avoid confrontation with the police, participants began to disperse. When I became aware that a man was being arrested for dropping a flower on the sidewalk while leaving the protest, I went over to observe what was happening.

Several people then began questioning the police about their actions, including Liberation Collective organizer Craig Rosebraugh. Craig is a social justice activist and lecturer on non-violence. He also has a long history of police harassment because of his political views. In this case he was singled out and threatened. Because he did not leave the public sidewalk, police attacked him, threw him to the ground, severely breaking his arm. The police horses trampled him, barely missing his head. Despite his screams that his arm was broken and pleas for medical attention, the police continued to drag him by his broken arm a block and a half to the jail.

As I followed the police, yelling at them to stop assaulting Craig, knowing he was very seriously injured, a police officer pushed me to the ground in the middle of the street in front of moving traffic, causing a car to swerve to avoid hitting me.

After I was also taken to jail without having committed a crime, I sat handcuffed on the floor listening to Craig screaming in agony as police milled around making jokes about beating up protesters, responding to my questions with insults, for example calling me a "liberal commie bitch."

This incident is yet another example of the illegal persecution of activists, the violent abuse of power that allows an innocent man like Mumia Abu Jamal to be sentenced to die when there is no evidence of guilt. Mumia spoke out about this kind of corruption of the justice system and ended up on death row. He wouldn't stand for police brutality and neither will we."

IDEOLOGICAL RANTING FROM ROSEBRAUGH.

While holding a banner which read "FREE MUMIA JAMAL End Institutionalized Racism", I stood in front of the federal building in downtown Portland. As the protest came to a close, more and more riot police appeared on the scene. For what, I thought as nothing was occurring. Protesters began to disperse through thick lines of fully geared police. I then noticed a friend and Collective volunteer Chad Hapshe being arrested and instantly I went over to understand why. When I learned that Hapshe had been arrested for offensive littering after throwing a flower on the ground, I began questioning the mounted patrol officer who initiated the arrest. Being the a power starved individual with the bully boy mentality, he clearly did not take well to my questioning. More and more mounted patrol and riot police began to surround me. As the mounted patrol attempted to grab the banner I was holding, the horses went further out of control. Seconds later a riot officer approached me from behind (unknown to me at the time), grabbed my left arm and forcefully threw me to the ground. As I fell the officer snapped my arm, giving me a spiral fracture to my left humerus. Hitting the ground, I felt another massive blow to my left leg. Looking up in extreme pain, I saw one of the mounted patrol horses on my leg. As the horses again swarmed quite near to my body, I covered my head as I was sure a hoof was coming. I screamed to the officer that my arm was broken and I needed an ambulance but he continued roughly cuffing me. Instead of leaving me in place for medical attention, I was lifted by my arms and dragged a block and a half to the jail, ironically named the Justice Center. The entire way officers pulled up on my broken arm further separating the bones. Once inside the jail, the promised medical attention was not there. I was painfully searched again in the jail as two officers lifted my cuffed arms up behind me. My cell door slammed, in spite of my screams of pain. Thirty minutes later an ambulance arrived and I was transported to the emergency room of a local hospital. I was released facing one charge of disorderly conduct.

On November 8 during the arraignment, while two others had charges against them dropped, I had one added. I now am faced with one count of disorderly conduct and one tampering with a police animal. Today is November 28, and I will be in a cast for well over three more months. All because I chose to speak out. *While I am extremely angry about the event* which occurred on October 15th, it certainly is not an isolated occurrence. Throughout the last four years, Liberation Collective and its members have been subject to harassment, intimidation, and violence from local, state, and federal authorities. Why? Are we threatening the lives of people in mainstream America? No, just their livelihoods. We are sick and tired of our streams being contaminated, our air being polluted, and our food being poisoned, modified, and sold back to us only to make us sick. We are sick and tired of paying into and supporting puppets in a system which is a pure killing machine. We are sick and tired of our sisters and brothers, those who reject this deadly way of life, suffering at the hands of the machine. All over this country, people are beaten, killed, maced, and imprisoned simply because they chose to question this government, this corporate rule, this ideology. The love and compassion that is working continuously to protect and promote social justice is constantly met with violence, violence, and more violence by the state. And this is America, supposed land of the free.

From day one, citizens of this country are taught to believe in an idea. The misguided, mythical phenomenon, (*If you work hard, you will be successful. You will be able to have a wonderful job, earn an overabundance of money, marry the most attractive and loving mate, have a new car, a new big bright house and 2.3 darling kids),* continues to be forcefully, yet often subliminally placed in our minds through the ongoing conditioning process. What are we being conditioned for? To fit into the mythical story of America. The schooling system is set up to teach all that is needed to know to advance in this society. It prepares us for employment, careers, leisure time, and generally tells us how we are, should and will live. Helping our schooling system along the way is the mainstream media in this country. Owned by corporations, the media has a definite objective and goal to pursue. The reinforcement of societal behavior and, more broadly, the idea.

When I refer to the idea I speak of the ideology. The clear yet unseen force which continues to drive our society. Capitalism. Where is it written in the Constitution that profits and general personal financial gain must come before people respecting and having compassion for one another, other species, and the environment? For those out there that say this is simply not the case, OPEN YOUR EYES. Explain to me how else and for what other reasons is our food being genetically modified. Realize that you have never tasted, never really tasted what an orange, an apple, a peach, pear, carrot, or squash actually is like. In fact you have never drank pure water or actually eaten any of these natural foods. All that is available to us are replicas, poisoned forms which once existed as healthy nutritious food.

If it weren't for profits, why else does America send its killing forces around the globe (including here at home) to murder people under the pretenses of national interest? National interest is nothing more than earning more, controlling more, and making sure our corporate interests are cared for. The examples are endless.

What I have wondered for years I now somewhat begin to understand. I struggled, as many do, to understand why a system and society so deadly and negative continues to operate. Is is because it is functional. No. Is it is it is the best possible way all life forms can co-habitate on the earth? No. IT IS BECAUSE ALL OF US CONTINUE TO ALLOW THIS SOCIETY TO EXIST. We must wake up.

Things are not going to change on their own. No longer can we leave the work of social change to "activists", a arbitrary term mythically excusing all those who are not under its label from social responsibility. All of us are responsible. All of us must act. AND ACT NOW! We have seen social work on individual issues for years now, and still things are getting worse. Why? The societal revolution we are calling for is not going to come by concentrating on individual issues. The only way a true positive societal revolution will be reached is to attack the heart of the beast. The idea. The ideology. Capitalism.

Police brutality is just one effect of this system. Any society that places power and profit before people and life, will naturally have its enforcers protecting tools of capitalism. This is why we see police beating protesters for threatening the livelihood. Not the lives of individuals but the livelihood of capitalism, the American way. This is why people such as Mumia Abu Jamal, Leonard Peltier, members of the MOVE family, and countless others remain in prison. That is why ultimately my arm was broken. All due to a perceived threat to the capitalistic death system. A threat which will no doubt continue to grow.
WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO ABOUT IT? WHAT ROLE DO YOU PLAY IN SOCIAL CHANGE? WHAT ROLE WILL YOU PLAY IN THE SOCIETAL REVOLUTION?

What You Can Do:

1) SPEAK OUT AGAINST POLICE BRUTALITY.

a) Contact the mayor to demand an investigation into the use of excessive force and false arrests that occurred at the October 15th demonstration.

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b) Call the Auditors office at (503) 823-4078 to set up a time to go before the city council to demand an investigation into police misconduct in October 15th.

2) ATTEND ALL COURT APPEARANCES OF THE 6 ACTIVISTS ARRESTED ON OCTOBER 15TH. Organize demonstrations outside the "Justice Center" and courthouse to keep the pressure on the city.

3) ORGANIZE! The pressure needs to be kept up against the city of Portland Police Department so that they understand that their policy of brutality will not be tolerated. Organize further protests against police brutality. Try protesting at the homes of officers who have a history of brutality. The only way this police violence will end is if we as a community organize, speak out and say NO MORE!

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such a way that our people will not perish. when this group of people without a fatherland starts flooding us with imports. We don't want our factories to close down because Eastern coolies work for a few dimes a day." he wrote. Hylkema called for resistance against "the trade and bank world ... They are extremely mobile. In one airplane they can bring billions in paper money across the border in just a few hours. Holland can then be bought by international speculators for a couple of guilders and we will become a poor and dependent people." the angry fascist wrote. Hylkema's present-day successor Roter is the main ideologist of the Dutch new-right think tank Voorpost. He advised his readers to check the Internet pages of "MAI niet gezien?!" (MAI. don't want it). the Dutchanti-MAI campaign. The new-right Dutch Student Organization linked its home-page to that of the anti-MAI campaign. According to "De Fabel van de illegaal," the Dutch fascists are making common cause with the German Republicans and the French Front National against the MAI. They report that in some countries the New Right even popped up at left-wing campaign meetings. "De Fabel van de illegaal" puts forward the analysis that weaknesses in left organizing around these issues has opened the door to a fascist resurgence. They argue that the concept of "globalization. "which is very central to the international campaigns against the MAI. implies that capitalism is originally a local or national system. and has only recently begun to spread its tentacles around the world. But in fact. they point out. capitalism has from the start been a global system. and has been able to develop and evolve only because of the plunder of Africa. Asia. Oceania and Latin America. "De Fabel *van de illegaal" argues that by pointing* to this so-called recent globalization as our main problem. anti-MAI and anti-WTO activists implicitly accept as a logical consequence the racist right's solution —the struggle for "our own" local economy. and consequently also for "our own" state and culture. In the advanced capitalist/imperialist countries. promoting a struggle directed strictly against globalization could create a fertile ground for the extreme right to grow. Fascists have always valued a self-sufficient economy. "No imports of things that our own people can produce. are happy to produce. are able to produce very well. Because there is no better worker than the Dutch worker," Hylkema wrote 60 years ago. What's more. "national socialism" has always presented itself as the defender of national culture and racial purity. linking these to economic self-sufficiency. while disguising its interest in militarism and economic penetration and domination of other less developed countries. "De Fabel van de illegaal" also points out that both the anti-MAI activists and the new-right ideologists talk as if the state and the capitalist economy are separate entities. In reality they are completely interconnected. The modern state and capitalism developed at the same time and pre-suppose each other. They are symbiotic twins. States create the social and physical circumstances for the continually changing capitalism and that is precisely why they are working on agreements like the MAI, together with the companies. The anti-MAI activists with their resistance against the "globalization of the economy" run the risk of ending up calling for a strong state. Already. some of them are speaking in

graph). An additional technique has been to stand to the inside of one or two rows; turn perpendicular to the row(s) facing a clearing; and flatten over sections of approx. 8-16 corn plants at one time with poles so that the corn lies at right angles to the rows. We recommend leaving several rows of corn on the perimeter as a visual buffer against security guards until work in the core is finished, then flatten the outside rows and retire for the night.... or day. A cheeky team could getaway with this during daylight after proper scouting. We are risking jail and injury, as well as sacrificing time, energy and sleep, because of a profound sense of the sacredness of life. We believe that protecting the result of more than three billion years of evolution is a duty to ourselves, all living beings, and the generations to come. So the act of taking the life of a plant is serious, and one we don't take it lightly. Were it not for the desperate urgency of the situation, the massive resources of the biotech industry, and the secrecy under which these tests are conducted, than perhaps we wouldn't have to take this course of action. Before anyone embarks on such a course, we believe it important to think through the moral dimensions of crop-pulling, and come into it with a strong heart. It would also be wise to make some sort of a prayer, offering, or explanation to the crops whose individual lives you will be taking in order to defend the sanctity of all life.

RECLAIM THE SEEDS COMMUNIQUE
Tuesday 14 September, 1999

"We are not going to demand anything. We are not going to ask for anything. We are going to RECLAIM THE SEEDS. We are going to stop genetic mutilation." Resistance against Genetix in the United States is on the rise, and UC Berkeley has once again been struck. A group calling themselves "RECLAIM THE SEEDS" targeted UC Berkeley's Oxford Tract research facility (1751 Oxford S., Berkeley, CA) where research on genetically mutilated corn is taking place. A crop circle of conscience was carved out of mature rows of malicious corn and organic corn seeds were scattered in its place. A reward sign mocking UC Berkeley's own $10,000 reward for previous attacks against their "harmless" corn, was left in the center of the crop circle. The sign stated, "10,000 bags of organic corn seeds for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the following corporate sell-outs: Dean Gordon Rausser, Chancellor Robert Berdahal, and Novartis grant recipient Professor Michael Freeling." The corn at Oxford Tract was targeted by RECLAIM THE SEEDS because of Professor Michael Freeling's (510-526 5850, freeling@nature.berkeley.edu) involvement at that facility. Professor Freeling is the first recipient of a grant from The Novartis Agricultural Discovery Institute (for more info see: http://plantbio.berkeley.edu/~freeling/docs/ - 99genome.html). In November of 1998, US-Berkeley signed a highly controversial deal with Novartis despite massive public and faculty pressure. Two months ago, the California Croppers destroyed corn at the Gil Tract facility in Albany. It is unsure of whether the corn destroyed at the Oxford Tract was genetically engineered or not. Because of the University and USDA's secrecy about field tests this information is kept from the public despite the fact that UC-Berkeley is a state institution. Regardless, the research worked on at UC-Berkeley with Novartis's and Monsanto's generous financial assistance will be used to further the commercial and profit driven goals of the biotechnology industry. Modern agri-business and genetic mutilation is a capitalist machine that must be dismantled in order to stop the massive destruction of biodiversity. RECLAIMING THE SEEDS is a direct action that destroys corporate power and authority. It is about people taking responsibility for themselves and highlighting the environmental and social costs of genetic mutilation. By leaving behind organic seeds, we are not only dismantling the current destructive system, but setting in place a sustainable alternative that will transform and undermine corporate power. In order to prevent further genetic mutilation we must free ourselves from the corporate bondage of multinationals such as Novartis, Monsanto, AgrEvo, and DuPont, and Liberate The Seeds! To RECLAIM THE SEEDS is to rediscover the sacredness of life and the power found within a seed. To RECLAIM THE SEEDS is to rescue biodiversity from industrial society and its defamation of life. As long as we allow economies to run on the basis of profit for business, genetic mutilation and exploitation of seeds will occur. Genetic Mutilation is a frightening run-away industrial technology that tampers with nature on its most basic level. Genetically mutilated seeds are being held prisoner by corporate greed. We must reclaim biodiversity. We must RECLAIM THE SEEDS! RECLAIM THE SEEDS will sprout again when the World Trade Organization (WTO) meets for their "millennium round" of negotiations. Dan Glickman, Secretary of Agriculture has already made it clear that the implementation of biotechnology is central to this year's WTO meeting. Let this action serve as a warning to the unaccountable governments, corporations, and faceless trade bureaucrats that their genetically engineered vision of the world will topple. Let this be a source of inspiration for all others to RECLAIM THE SEEDS in Seattle Nov. 28-Dec. 3. "And so I think that when we play with earth and seeds, we do it with a stimulating humility because we know we are playing with the things of this life which are of the most enduring importance." -From the 'The Philosophy of Gardening' by Clare Leighton.

BOLT WEEVILS COMMUNIQUE
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

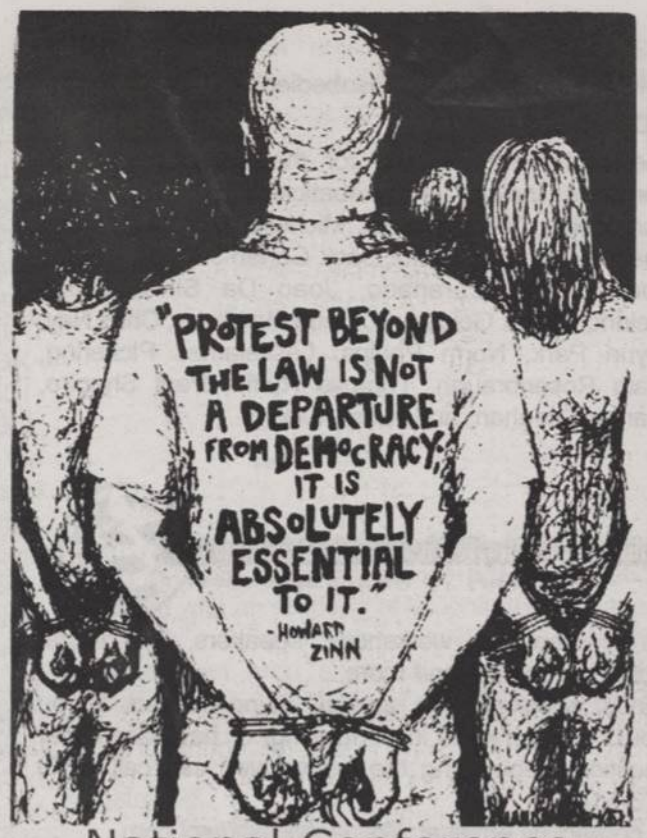
The direct action campaign against genetic engineering and corporate agriculture in Minnesota is underway. Following up on the attack on Novartis/Northrup-King's Seed research facility on September 1, "Bolt Weevils" trampled 50 rows of research corn adjacent to Pioneer Hi-Bred's seed research facility in Mankato, Minnesota (Hwy. 22) on Sunday, Sept 12. Company vehicles parked at the facility were also damaged, and "free the seed" and "stop agribusiness" were spray painted on a shed at the site. The Pioneer sign in front of the facility was appropriately amended to read "Pioneering Farmageddon". Pioneer Hi-Bred is the largest seed company in the world and was acquired by Dupont Chemical Co. earlier this year for $9.4 billion. As farmers in the US, France, India and elsewhere struggle to maintain a place in the expanding global economy, corporate mergers and acquisitions increase, giving more control over the world's food systems to a handful of huge seed-chemical pharmaceutical conglomerates. The technology of genetic engineering has been developed and marketed to the world by these companies with no regard for the social, ecological or economic consequences of releasing millions of acres of mutated plants into the environment, or the consolidation of seed ownership that has resulted from such a profit-driven science. Our strike against Pioneer is a call to the Weevils and Borers of the world to join the growing resistance to the quickly approaching "Farmageddon". Crops, research facilities and corporate offices are all sources of this technological threat and should be targeted. Genetic modification of plants is a dangerous experiment on nature and people, and should be stopped.

COMMUNIQUE FROM THE MINNESOTA BOLT WEEVILS
SEPTEMBER 1, 1999

Harvest came early this year at the Novartis Corporation's Seed Research facility on Hwy. 19 in Goodhue County, Minnesota. Several thousand stalks of corn from research plots adjoining the Northrup-King (Novartis' Seed Division) facility were trampled

and crushed in the pre-dawn hours of Wednesday, September first by the Bolt Weevils. Simultaneously in a northern Twin Cities suburb, another strain of Weevils glued and jammed the locks at Novartis/NK Seeds' Corporate offices at 7500 Olson Memorial Hwy, to prevent another day of profiting off the dirty business of genetic engineering. Reviving the namesake of the MN farmers who toppled Northern States Power (NSP) power lines in the 1970s, today's Weevils targeted one of the largest "life sciences" conglomerates in the world. Created in Switzerland in 1997 by the merger of two major pharmaceutical and agriculture firms (Ciba-Geigy and Sandoz/NK Seeds), Novartis is one of many companies seeking to commercialize and exploit the most basic biological process-genetic evolution. Much of the corn attacked by the Bolt Weevils was labeled as genetically modified with Bt (Bacillus thuregensis), a bacterial insecticide sprayed topically by organic and small scale farmers as a last resort to control problem insects, but now increasingly genetically engineered directly into the DNA of corn, cotton and potatoes, to make plants express the pesticide throughout. Ecologists, farmers and corporate executives alike agree that such widespread exposure to the toxin will eventually create Bt-resistant "super pests", rendering small scale use of the bacteria in spray form obsolete. Novartis and other companies producing Bt seeds respond to this prediction by suggesting "refuges" of non-Bt crop be grown amidst transgenics to slow adaptation by insects. This rationale ignores the reality of cross-pollination, and could unleash irreversible genetic pollution on plants and insects.Additionally, recent research has revealed that Bt pollen has a similar fatal effect on the intestines of the Monarch butterfly as on the corn borer, and scientists have shown that engineered Bt accumulates in the soil and could disrupt soil ecology irreversibly. Decades of farm policies designed to boost profits for agricultural chemical companies like Monsanto, Dow and Dupont has left the rural farm economy in shambles, with suicide rates among desperate farmers on the rise. Intensive industrial agribusiness has severely degraded, eroded and poisoned the American heartland. Now these very same companies are creating new ways to profit off industrial agriculture, promising farmers "improved" genetically altered seeds that will boost production and help them compete on the world market. Rapid industry consolidation has centralized control over the research and development of powerful genetic technologies,allowing the industry to control market forces. This trend spells disaster for the global food supply, from agrarian third world communities to rural America. Family farms won't survive without a new approach to farm economics and a turn to ecological farming practices. There is abundant knowledge of such agricultural methods, as evidenced by the growing organics and permaculture movements, and more importantly, by the ancient breeding and seed saving traditions still used in indigenous cultures. Why have these practices taken a back seat to agribusiness? The Bolt Weevils' harvest is meant as a WARNING to the entire "life-sciences" industry that opposition to its sinister plan is far more widespread than they think, and growing exponentially. Though the true natures of this industry are hidden behind slick PR campaigns, people all over the world are exposing and attacking it on many levels, most dramatically in the fields and greenhouses where research and breeding occurs. Our fellow weevils in Europe, Asia, New Zealand, Maine, Vermont, and California, have set the stage for a full scale underground attack on the roots of this threat to the future of life on earth. Unsurprisingly, government agencies like the USDA, FDA, EPA, and state departments of agriculture have acted as collaborators with the biotech industry, and should also be targeted. This action should be seen as an incitement to join the biotech resistance by taking direct action against this menace in all its forms.

~Details of past anti-GE actions are available at www.tao.ca/~ban/ar.htm.



National Conference on Civil Disobedience January 22nd & 23rd 2000

Civil Disobedience is an old and effective technique of resistance and protest which has helped lead many oppressed groups to lasting freedom. Today, forms of civil disobedience are being used by many different groups for a variety of liberation struggles around the world. It has become timely, important, and necessary to learn from each other's struggles while keeping in mind the lessons of those who have fought before us. The National Conference on Civil Disobedience envisions coordinating a dialogue between many different activist groups and providing every activist with a multitude of tools to take home, share, and utilize effectively.

The National Conference on Civil Disobedience is geared towards the activist. It is run by activists who adhere to a strict non-profit, non-corporate policy ethic. All workshop hosts are only accepting reimbursement for travel expenses. A full report of our expenses is available for participants after the conference. Because we wish to make the conference accessible to everyone, the cost is kept at the lowest possible rate and scholarships are available for extenuating circumstances.

This is a list of possible workshops for the National Conference on Civil Disobedience, 2000. Not every workshop is confirmed as of November 10, 1999. The ones which are not yet confirmed have a * mark. The rest are fully confirmed. Please keep updated on the latest changes.

Strategy:

Civil Disobedience and Property Damage
Notes from the Legal Front - Hear from CD participants and lawyers regarding what you are likely to expect in the streets and in the courts.
Preparation for CD - Nonviolence Training
Creating a Nonviolent Campaign
Psychological Issues During Civil Disobedience - Crisis Intervention and Prevention for CD Activists and their Support Teams
Guerrilla Street Theater*
Getting Media Coverage*
High and Low Tech Civil Disobedience Tools*
Scouting your Civil Disobedience Spot*

Case Studies:

The Mapuche in Chile - Regaining Territorial Rights and Self-Determination
Civil Disobedience Tactics for Mumia Abu-Jamal
Primate Freedom Tour - The Practical Application of Active Nonviolence
War Tax Resistance: Economic Civil Disobedience
Pirate Micro-Radio: Broadcasting Civil Disobedience Cuba
Fighting AIDS with Direct Action
Genocide in Iraq – International Civil Disobedience
Plowshares Activism
Burma
Minnehaha Free State*
Spirituality, Civil Disobedience, and Animal Rights
Lesbian Avengers*
Civil Rights*

positive terms of the Malaysian state, which is supposedly curbing the free circulation of capital. But Malaysia is close to being the prime example of a modern police state. In the context of European, Canadian, U.S. and other imperial and settler colonial societies, the strong state infact manifests itself in forms such as NAFTA, the European Union and the WTO. All of these mean increasing exploitation of workers and land domestically as well as internationally, and increased repression. "De Fabel van de illegaal "charges that when activists start using concepts like globalization, they tend to start thinking in terms of a conflict between "local capital" and "international capital," in terms of good "productive capital" and bad " trading and speculative capital. "But production, trade, real estate and finance are all inseparable parts of capitalism. And all parts of capital grow by stealing from the laborers (both paid and unpaid) and by plundering nature. To this analysis, we must add that capital grew, and grows, through genocide. When activists replace the conflict between capital and working and oppressed people with a conflict between 'productive' and 'parasitic' capitalism, their way of thinking perfectly resembles traditional extreme-right thought. To Hylkema only one real economic duality existed, the one between the "national, creative and productive capital" and "reprehensible international big capital." The extreme right never principally opposed capitalism and even denies any difference in interest between the "national capital" and the workers. "The owner, the staff and the workers together share only one central goal, a flourishing company," Hylkema explained. For him the main thing was to reduce "class hatred" and to strengthen the unity of "the people" as a whole. For that reason it is very convenient for the extreme right to have a common enemy of the workers and bosses, one that can be held responsible for the economic problems, crises and insecurities that will always accompany capitalism. "International capital" can fulfill that role perfectly. This is the way in which Hitler presented himself as 'anti-capitalist' and anti- communist, portraying both international communism and international capitalism as 'alien' systems and ideologies by which Jews were seeking to subvert "Aryan racial purity." The various advocates of the so-called "Third Way" that have appeared in various neo-nazi movements are the late 20th Century of this fundamental fascist strategy for building a base and seizing power. The recent electoral victories and breakthrough of extreme right and neo-fascist parties in Austria and Switzerland, based on opposition to European Union and immigration show that this still a tremendously potent form of reactionary nationalism able to win working people to its banners. In the U.S., Pat Buchanan exemplifies this linkage of anti-free trade rightwing populism with anti-immigrant scapegoating, and an attempt to appeal to "blue collar patriotism." Buchanan is consciously trying to make inroads not solely into the ranks of so-called Reagan Democrats, but into the ranks of the left. The virtual endorsement of Buchanan by Lenora Fulani, formerly of the mock-leftist "New Alliance Party," is an ominous development in this regard. As the Dutch anti-racists point out, once "reprehensible international capital" is ideologically separated from the rest of capitalism, it can easily be associated with "the enemy, "whether another nationstate or a racially define group of people. A critique of the system as such can gradually turn into the crazy

idea that a small group of hostile people completely controls our lives. Such thinking is historically very closely linked to anti-Semitism. Criticizing free trade doesn't have to lead to anti-Semitism, but the two combine surprisingly easily. Hylkema's fascist party, for instance, was not anti-Semitic in the beginning of the thirties. But, by its constant propaganda against "international capital,"it did lay a strong foundation for its later turn to anti-Semitism. In the forties, it was just a small step for the party to start inserting the word "Jewish" in front of the phrase "international capital" in their propaganda pamphlets. Anti-MAI activists putting "international capital" apart ideologically, are not by definition anti-Semites, but the analysis behind their reasoning surely is potentially anti-Semitic. History shows how easily the one can lead to the other. Conspiracism, another weakness of anti-MAI activism, is a similar conduit to anti-Semitic thinking and analysis. **Tens of thousands, perhaps hundreds of thousands of activists, are converging upon the World Trade Organization talks in Seattle at the end of November and beginning of December.** In addition to the danger posed by the kind of 'national chauvinist' opposition to imperialist internationalism that the Dutch anti-racists have analyzed, there is another retrograde tendency manifesting itself in these activities. It is the line being pushed within the organized U.S. labor movement, as well as by mainstream environmentalist organizations, calling for "a seat at the table." **This desire to cut a better deal, strike a better bargain, to negotiate from within an acceptance of the new *terms being set by capitalist* imperialism, is as bankrupt as the tendencies critiqued by the Dutchanti-racists.** It is not made any prettier if street actions and street theater are used as bargaining chips to cut that deal or win that seat at the table. Labor in the U.S. has often been extremely militant in seeking contracts and crumbs from the table, without ever challenging the rule of capital or the system of empire and white supremacy within which capital operates. Anti-racists need to engage the struggle against the WTO and the masses who will be drawn into it around several points. We must expose the deadly and self-defeating nature of either chauvinist nationalism or bureaucratic and reformist liberalism. To oppose the gutting of democratic institutions, the intensification of exploitation and the environmental devastation that the WTO is hastening, **we must oppose the system out of which the WTO grows.** Second, we must spell out the inevitable increase in the repressive powers of the state on a federal, national and supra-national level, that the WTO, MAI and similar institutions necessitate. This is the relevance of the struggle to free Mumia Abu Jamal, for example, to anti-WTO and anti-MAI activists. To protect the economic interests NAFTA and the WTO are designed to serve, the state is prepared to execute dissidents like Mumia. Third, we must point out to people that both the supra-national institutions and the increased repression and militarism are manifestations not of the system's strength but of its weakness and brittleness! We need to remember that the entire system of capital and empire has inherent and irreconcilable contradictions. **Every empire in the history of the world has crum-**

Animal Rights and Civil Disobedience

Speakers:

The confirmed speakers for the above mentioned workshops include, in alphabetical order:
Christopher Allen-Doucout, Michelle Arsenault, Bruce Baechler, Abe Bonowitz, Jack Cohen-Joppa, Timothy Cooper, Rod Coranado, Joao Da Silva, Bruce Freidrich, Mark Goldstone, Linda McAllister, Chris Ney, Miyun Park, Norm Phelps, Lesliejames Pickering, Craig Rosenbraugh, Thomas Ruffin, Paul Shapiro, Joanne Sheehan, and Alissa Wilkins

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Move 9 Release Update

Debbie, Janine, Janet for the Move 9

Just to keep you updated on what's going on with Move, I will tell you that on July 7, 1999, the Move 9 completed filing our PCRAs. The Move family, along with the attorney handling the appeal, Paul Hetznecker, held a press conference to address the basis of the appeal, filed in front of Judge Ricardo Jackson. We all know that the real issue behind Move being in prison is religious persecution, because we are Move members. Move have been persecuted since the beginning of the above ground chapter of Move, in Philadelphia, and still are being persecuted.

It was proven when the courts released two people who were also arrested with the Move 9 on August 8, 1978, and charged with the same charges as the Move 9 but released because they were not Move members.

It was proven when the government issued a "parole stipulation" against Move members, from 1981-1994, that stated, in order for any Move member to be released on parole, they have to leave the Move Organization, disassociate ourselves from Move. In other words, turn traitor to Move's belief and JOHN AFRICA - nothing to do with the charges. (Alberta, Ramona, Sue and Mo Africa were forced to complete their entire prison sentences because of this stipulation)

We all know that when it comes to Move defending ourselves against the cops and officials' persecution, Move gets beat, jailed, punished, but when officials beat, hurt, kill Move people, they get promoted, given a pension, and allowed to walk the streets freely. At this point this system has another opportunity to do right by Move through these PCRAs. The judge has the authority to; overturn the convictions on all 9 of us and release us immediately, give us time served, or reduce our sentences. The judge can also be a part of keeping this persecution going by keeping Move in Prison. In any case Move will not stop fighting, we will not give up fighting for what's right just because it's convenient.

As you might not know, in june 1996 a jury found former Philadelphia fire commissioner and police commissioners, William Richmond and George Sambore guilty of deliberate murder of 11 Move members, including 5 children, in a civil suit filed by Ramona Africa. In January of 1997 Judge Louis Pallack nixed the jury's decision and released them of any and all responsibility, punishment; even dropped that measly $11 symbolic sentence they had to pay.

Officials are always allowed to get away with murder just because it's legal. But legal don't make it right. When unofficial people commit murder they are given many years in prison, a life sentence, a death sentence. The Move 9 have been in prison for over 21 years of a 30-100 year sentence for a murder we did not commit. Mumia Abu Jamal been in prison 18 years facing, the death sentence, for a murder he didn't commit. There are millions of poor people, unofficial people, political prisoners in prison for doing nothing compared to the crimes these officials commit daily, and Move ain't lettin' this legal-paradox of treachery be forgotten. Move ain't gone accept sittin' in prison without a fight, while Mumia ain't gone accept sittin', in prison, awaiting to be executed, Murdered, without a fight while criminals like Sambor and Richmond, roam the streets endorsing the sadism of more, poor unofficial people.

If Richmond and Sambor can be allowed to be on the streets after committing eleven murders; the Move 9 can be released after 21 years on the accusation of just one murder! Mumia can be released after 18 years on the accusation of just one murder! FREE THE MOVE NINE! FREE MUMIA! LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA'S REVOLUTION! LONG LIVE JOHN AFRICA! THE POWER OF TRUTH IS FINAL!

A LETTER FROM THE ANIMAL LIBERATION FRONT

INTRODUCTION;

The following commentary is not a critique of the ALF raid of Bio-Devices, inc. The raid and rescue of 46 dogs was great and went smoother and quicker than anyone imagined. This is however, a critical examination of tactics (specifically fire) decision making, and impediments to animal liberation and the citizens working for animal liberation.

I do not intend to discourage anyone from taking actions, no matter how "mild" or how "severe" that action may be. Rather, I encourage everyone to make tactical decisions based on the effectiveness of the tactics themselves, rather than some self imposed mental boundary influenced and shaped by the status-quo.

Taking action is not hard. Having really effective actions is not much harder. The main difference is in strategy and in choosing the most effective tactics. The struggle for animal liberation is slow and arduous. Nothing will be handed to this movement on a silver platter. Limiting your tactics or the tactics of others is counter-productive and a very serious impediment to animal liberation. **We, as a movement, need to support all tactics that do not harm human or non-human animals! We need to refocus on our goal of animal liberation and start taking (or supporting) the most expedient actions necessary to attain that goal.**

While we may have time to debate this issue, the animals don't.

BUSINESS AS USUAL -or- HOW SUCH A SUCCESS COULD BE SUCH A FAILURE

Fire is a tool. Like any other tool. Sometimes it's the most effective tool to remedy a situation. And sometimes it's not. Like other tools. Nevertheless, fire holds a stigma that is unrealistic and formed out of ignorance. The following demonstrates how this tool was necessary to further the goal of total animal liberation. I hope to show how important and necessary it is to use fire in certain situations and to dispel any irrational fears individuals may have about using fire.

In this case, I'm referring to the raid on Bio-Devices Inc., in August of 1999, where 46 dogs were

Debbie Africa, Move

On The Move

I am a member of the philadelphia based chapter of The MOVE ORG. for 24 years. I am Political Prisoner. I have been in prison for 20 years for fighting for my belief.

Many people don't know that there are Political Prisoners in the United States and don't want to believe it even if they are told; because America was founded on religious freedom and they can't understand how a country that was founded on religious freedom would contain citizens of this country in their prison because of their religion... their beliefs.

It's truth though and there is a thirty year history behind the Move Organization. To make this as short as i possibly can i will give a little background about Move and what lead up to our being in prison. I have 8 other brothers and sisters in prison as well.

The Move Organization is a religious organization with strong beliefs in Natural Law, the truth, The teaching of JOHN AFRICA. We of Move believe there is nothing more important than Life, the force that keeps us alive. We teach our belief to folks in hopes that people will come to understand and accept our that our belief, natural law is the solution to people's problems. We practice our belief through the work we do to protect life; protect the air from pollution, water from poison, soil from toxic waste, defenseless animals from torture, old folks and children from abuse and all living beings from enslavement and exploitation.

In the early seventies the Move organization initiated peaceful demonstrations against institutions that exploit life such as animal experimental laboratories, industrial corporations that poison the air, water, soil, borden homes that were taking advantage of old folks; the exploitation of animals in zoos and circuses and exposed the wrong they are doing against life.

The business interest people involved in these institutions didn't want us demonstrating so they'd call the cops on us, because they didn't want to hear the truth about the wrong they are taking part in. The cops not only locked us up, but they beat us unprovoked which led to long, hard, sustained demonstrations by the Move Organization against the various districts of police who were involved in the beatings.. That lead to more arrest, more beatings by cops and eventually the Phila. cops and many many beatings between 1970 and 1976.

In 1977 Move was warned by official sympathizers that the city of Phila. had plans to attack the Move family, take our children and evict us from our home because they didn't like the way we live; (which is according to our belief). Move was fed up with what the cops were doing to us sanctioned by the city of Phila. and then Mayor Frank L. Rizzo. We were not going to take any more beatings or babies killed behind closed doors; We took a defensive stand against the city of Phila. in protest of what the cops and city have done to us up to 7 years at that point.

Move took a stand on the platform of our home with arms, not used as weapon of violence but as psychological strategy on cops to insure that they wouldn't rush in our home and attack us defenseless. We stood the cops off for a whole year because of that strategy. In March of 1978 the city erected an 8 ft. high starvation blockade that was spread within it literally invisible from the road and greatly reducing the effectiveness of demonstrating outside the facility. Yet a large number of people met and held a demonstration where an incredible number of police showed up in response. Two activists were arrested for running through an adjacent grass field, and a constant presence of at least two people was kept at the center 24 hours a day. The Oregon Health and Sciences University (OHSU) is the host university for ORPRC, and so a home demonstration was held outside Peter Kohler's home who is the president of the university. While folks approached his door to ask for a public forum on the lack of benefits coming from forty years of non-human primate based research at the ORPRC, they were met with trespassing citations and a stay-away from all OHSU property. Large marches were held through OHSU with street puppets, signs, banners, and "PRIMATE.. RESEARCH.. IT WILL NEVER FIND A CURE" chants denouncing primate research during which two activists were arrested. On the last day of the Oregon stop eight activists were arrested storming the presidents office at OHSU where a lockdown had been held a year previous. The striking difference between the police intervention at the first two centers proved that individual evaluation was needed to figure the most effective strategy for each sight.



In 1997 at the California Regional Primate Research Center (CRPRC) 222 staff members (only 14 of which are scientists) experiment on 2,582 Macaca Mulatta, 582 Macaca Fascicularis, 582 Macaca Nemestrina, 101 Saimiri Sciureus and 82 Callicebus Moloch with $16,827,757 in NIH funding. CRPRC, hosted by UC Davis, was the third stop on the tour and the sight of a large civil disobedience where nearly forty activists were arrested for crossing a police line protecting the center two years previous, some of which had climbed atop a nearby structure and hung a banner.

When the primate tour showed up the authorities were ready for a riot. Two individuals who had been arrested at the action in 1997 sent out press releases stating that they would be openly violating the legal "stay-aways" from CRPRC that they had been sentenced to two years previous. They gave short interviews to the press and proceed to cross over the centers property line and were subsequently arrested. At least four more activists were arrested for blocking the entrance to the center.



Before the tour even arrived in San Francisco they got wind of UCSF's security preparations for the visit, so some individuals from the tour joined more activists from the bay area and stormed the halls of animal laboratories in UCSF the day before the tour was scheduled to arrive. To their surprise they were actually able to gain access to a room where several Squirrel Monkeys were stored and witnessed the obvious displays of both the beauty of the animals and the insanity their situation has brought upon them. Video footage was taken and equipment was destroyed while fifteen activists were arrested during the raid.

When the tour arrived the following day the repression they had warning of was present yet failed to stop them from holding a large demonstration through the campus blocking traffic with huge banners and street puppets and passing out much information.

The Tulane Regional Primate Research Center's (TRPRC) total 1997 NIH funding was $8,804,416. The TRPRC maintains the largest monkey population among the seven (now 8) NIH's Regional Primate Research Centers with over 4,500 monkeys of eleven species. A drive through the facility offers a rare glimpse of caged research monkeys with only a hedge and a barbed-wire fence separating acres of pens from the road. One activist set up camp in front of the TRPRC for the entire stop in a tiny cage, refusing to eat or speak, symbolizing the plight of the primates seen directly behind him.

The Yerkes Regional Primate Research Center (YRPRC) totaled $14,378,181 in NIH funding in 1997 and contains over 3,000 animals, representing 14 species. The rhesus monkey is the most common animal at Yerkes. Yerkes is the only primate Center with the four major great ape species (common chimpanzees, bonobo chimpanzees, gorillas and orangutans).

Yerkies was also the sight of a large civil disobedience in 1997 where police launched tear gas canisters into the crowd and activists threw a police fence through a police car's windshield. Again the tour faced a large line of riot police upon arrival.

With a large amount of protesters, police and media present awaiting the chaos to break loose, the tour effectively kept control of the action by using Gandhian style tactics where protesters stood in a line staring the police in the eyes and and would (one at a time every fifteen minutes) make individual statements about the necessity to follow their conscience and attempt to put an end to Yerkies fraudulent vivisection by crossing the police line protecting the YRPRC. This proved effective as a very peaceful, emotional and courageous display in the face of oppression to the activists themselves, the police protecting the center, the media and the thousands watching at home on their televisions.

Receiving $13,085,685 in NIH funding in 1997, the Wisconsin Regional Primate Research Center (WRPRC) was the sight of yet another civil disobedience where five more activists were arrested. While four individuals used kryptonite U-locks to secure themselves to the doors of the center, successfully blocking entrance by foot, a fifth activist with a rented U-haul parked the truck across the driveway and locked his neck to it's axle, blocking any vehicles from entering as well. While the WRPRC kept all news cameras from getting a view of the scene, it successfully shut down the center for the day and greatly boosted public awareness of the fraudulent and horrific animal experimentation conducted inside.

The National Institutes of Health was logically the final stop of the 1999 Primate Freedom Tour due to it's direct creation and funding of the Regional Primate Research Centers and more fundamentally it's nurturing of a system which promotes this fraudulence at the expense of our health, animals and the environment to exist and prosper.



Upon arrival at NIH seven activists set up camp in cages symbolic of the plight of the primates while refusing to eat and speak for 100 hours. Literature was passed out in front of the cages constantly during the four day stay. A protest was held at

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9) Oregon, Right View timber sale's treesit, Umpqua BLM http://umpqua-watersheds.com (started 7/99-Active)

10) Oregon, Winberry tree village, Willamette National Forest, 700 year old cedars! contact 541-747-9116 (started 1/99-Active)

11) Oregon, Fall Creek tree village, Willamette National Forest Red Cloud Thunder!! http://www.ecoecho.org (started 4/98-Active)

12) Oregon, Eagle tree village, Willamette National Forest Cascadia Forest Alliance, contact 503-241-4879 (started 4/99-Active)

Liberation Collective is an all volunteer, 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to the ideology of *linking social justice movements to end all oppression*. It is a *philosophy based upon the similarities* involved in the various movements working for peaceful social change, and the recognition of a common root cause. *This cause is the societal* mindset of not only the perpetrators of the injustice and oppression but also of those simply allowing it to continue. This mindset permits the profound lack of compassion and respect towards one another, other species and the earth to continue. By identifying and recognizing this root cause we can more accurately focus our efforts to eliminate the very foundation of all oppression.

Liberation Collective views methodology as the most important component of positive social change. Therefore the collective stresses active non-violence as the only means of achieving lasting peace and justice.

Throughout history social and political movements have made immeasurable progress towards peace and justice. But why haven't we, by now, created a society where these qualities are prominent in our daily lives? In the past each of these different struggles have individually working towards peace and justice on their particular issues, some of have succeeded. Yet with these successes they have not identified the root cause present in all forms of oppression and injustice, and in the long run the mindset continues to prevail. Each of these movements were so set on gaining ground on their individual struggles that their views became narrowed to a single issue. Because we are not working together cooperatively, against the common cause of oppression and injustice, and towards a peaceful and just society, the most we have been able to achieve in the past have saved 70 dogs. That's 24 more dogs given a second chance at life. If the adoption fee was $50 we could have saved $140 dogs! That's 94 more dogs saved from death than we saved that night. All without putting a large number of very dedicated, loving, caring, and active citizens at risk of being locked in a cage for the rest of their lives: Again, this all being done without the massive time, energy, resources, coordination and grey hairs that came by organizing this raid.

On the other hand, if whomever gave the stipulation not to use fire could have just humbled themselves and swallowed their personal fears and opinions to allow a more free and open strategy to develop as conditions allowed during this raid, Bio-Devices, inc. would now be unable to operate their business.

Instead, as you're reading this 46 more cages have been refilled, 46 more backyards or "Free to Good Home" ads have been visited, the vivisection laboratories have had their orders filled, and at Bio-Devices, inc. of Orange County, CA, it's Business As Usual.

FALL CREEK

I am a woman of strength and courage and wisdom.
I stand on my own NOT a failure or victim.
The system corrupts and blinds the citizen.
I rise up and discover the higher nutrition
of solitude and love and respect for the earth.
Our sustenance, our life, our mother of birth.
—River



My name is River Nola and for months I lived at Fall Creek, 207 feet up an old growth Douglas Fir named Fanghorn who is about 600 years old.

We are here protecting these precious trees and land so it won't be destroyed by your excess and greed. We are directly acting on our beliefs and what we know is right. We are practicing both community and anarchy.

By getting in people's faces and awakening them to the sad reality of what's going on, we also awaken choices for them to make. Do you want to be a slave to the machine for the rest of your life? Or do you want to live freely, in the moment, going at your pace, working for yourself , and not having your life rotate around dollar signs?

It is about living for yourself, and knowing that everything, around you intertwines and connects somehow. It's about getting back to the earth, being primitive, and being with your natural surroundings. It's about being grounded and solidifying meaningful relations.

Its about turning off your televisions and looking and thinking for yourselves. It's realizing that what we've been fed for centuries are nothing but lies. Civilization and technology are raping this world, not improving it.

Why the Clark Timber Sale needs to be shut down: The Northwest Forest Plan requires surveying for endangered species before logging is to occur. Referred to as "Survey and Manage" throughout the plan, these surveys have not been happening. On Monday August 2, 1999, by the initiation of the Oregon Natural Resources Defense Council (ONRC), 13 environmental plaintiffs struck a key legal victory with US District Judge William Dwyer.

The lawsuit, according to Judge Dwyer, proves that the Forest Service is "Arbitrary and Contrary" in their blatant lack of surveying for listed species called for by the Northwest Forest Plan. The lawsuit halts 9 timber sales and will have a similar effect on 100's of other sales. Dwyer's decision calls on the Forest Service to follow and enforce the provisions of the law. As Dwyer states on pg. 13:

The ROD's category two survey requirements are clear, plain and unmistakable. For the salamanders and red tree voles, surveys must be completed prior to the design of ground breaking activities to be implemented on or after October 1, 1996.... For any timber sale in which ground disturbing activities did not commence by those dates, the surveys must be done.

For the Clark Sale in Fall Creek, ground disturbing activities commenced in April of 1998, therefore, the Clark timber sale clearly falls into the category laid out by Judge Dwyer. This sale must be halted immediately!

The lack of surveying for the red tree vole was a main argument of the 1997 ONRC appeal against the Clark Project. Looking Back now, with this precedent in hand, we see that legally the appeal should have been granted. not denied! The Clark timber sale should of never been sold to Zip-O Sawmills.

From the get go the NW Forest Plan was flawed and the idea that the Forest Service exacerbated this by not even following the few provisions established to protect endangered species is appalling. This clearly calls into question the Forest Service's ability to be careful stewards of our public lands. In light of all this, now more then ever we call on the Forest Service to do the right thing and cancel the Clark timber sale.

If the Forest Service is found by the court to be unlawful, time and time again, we are left with no other option than to demand an end to all logging on public lands! If the treesitters were not physically in the forest, putting their bodies on the line, it would be too late for the forests of the Clark Sale. Thankfully this is not the case! It is not too late. Cancel the Clark sale.

We are calling on Senator Ron Wyden, and Representative Peter Defazio and all concerned citizen's to seize this opportunity and demand that all necessary surveys be done and that all illegally awarded timber sales, like the Clark timber sale, be canceled. Under the circumstances, it is time to rethink the validity of the NW Forest Plan and to move towards an end to all logging on public lands.

Please FAX, mail and E-mail the following message to those listed below:
1) You support the treesitters!
2) You want the Clark and North Winberry Timber Sales Canceled!
3) You want the National Forest Protection and Restoration Act (HR 1396) passed into Law!

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LOGGERS AND TREE SITTERS VOTE PLUM CREEK TIMBER OUT OF TOWN

On Thursday, July 29th in Randle, Washington, locals and environmentalists packed the town firehall to discuss the threats posed by the I-90 Land Exchange. The Gifford Pinchot Task Force sponsored the meeting in order to create a safe place for the community to share diverse viewpoints on the swap. Over 150 loggers, mill workers, local business owners, and their families joined direct action activists, other environmentalists, and representatives of the Taidnapam native families in the forum.

The historic nature of the meeting was obvious to all present. At one point, a member of the audience called out for a vote. A tree-sitter on the panel was speaking at the time and asked those who wanted to keep the mountain from the company to raise their hands. All hands in the hall went up, except one, who later admitted to being an employee of Plum Creek. Even Harry Cody, the local Forest Service district ranger, sheepishly raised his hand with vocal encouragement from the crowd. When those hands went up, a local community stood together in saying "enough" to destruction of community resources by corporations.

Notably absent from the meeting were representatives from Plum Creek Timber. "The only empty seat in the house was the one reserved for Plum Creek," said Tim Ream of the Cascadia Defense Network. Several participants also expressed outrage that Senators Slade Gorton and Patty Murray sent no representatives to the meeting, unlike US Rep. Brian Baird and State Rep. DeBolt. Residents vowed to bring their message to each of the absentees.

If the trade goes through as currently planned, Plum Creek Timber would obtain two controversial areas within the Gifford Pinchot National Forest: Fossil Creek, near the town of Cougar, and Watch Mountain, directly behind the town of Randle. Many people at the Randle forum expressed concern about landslides and cited examples of slides originating in Plum Creek clearcuts near town. One resident brought videotape of people evacuating a home inundated by logging-*induced floodwaters*. "Plum Creek never compensated me one cent," said Elmer Day, a longtime resident of the area.

Visuals, A video recording of the entire meeting, live interviews from platforms 160' up in the trees, and photographs and video of exchange lands are available.

BBB Pies Barry Clausen, The Would-Be Eco Spy

Biotic Baking Brigade operations fall into two categories. Some are meticulously rehearsed actions involving extensive reconnaissance of the battleground, comprehensive dossiers on the target, and multiple-variable combat scenarios.

Other actions are spur-of-the-moment, seat-of-the-pants affairs that only come off successfully due to good fortune and the rigorous training through which we put our field agents. "Operation: Mid-Snitch," in which the BBB delivered full facial treatment in the form of three pantry projectiles to Earth First! nemesis Barry Clausen, falls into the latter category indeed.

The would-be infiltrator appeared at the site of an anti-logging action that concluded the Earth First! Round River Rendezvous in the San Juan mountains of Southern Colorado. Shortly before leaving for the RRR I was contacted by the General Command of the BBB—Ecotopia Division, who received a request from the BBB—Culebra (Colorado) cadre for some heavy-duty patisseristas to provide security at the event. Agents Frosty and Apple-Mulberry had just finished a training course at our Secret Ovens, Practice Range and Headquarters deep within the Headwaters Forest. They eagerly accepted the task, and left immediately for the Rendezvous, armed to the teeth with the finest pies our ovens can produce.

Clausen, video camera in hand, was recognized while attempting to pry information from a young forest defender at the road blockade. Activists confronted him with ridicule, which sent him scurrying to his car and back to the town of San Luis. As our brave brigadiers followed him at a discreet distance, they concocted a creamy recipe for his just desserts. With little time for culinary perfection, and their luscious weapons left behind at base camp (for which they were later reprimanded at a BBB post-action recap session), three pies were quickly acquired at a local shop.

As Clausen snitched away on a pay phone, the pie militants launched a delicious salvo of edible missiles: chocolate, banana-marshmallow, and lemon cream. . . . Triple Sploosh! "Mr. Clausen, that's assault!" rang out as the spy was pied. The comment refers to a fantastic March 2, 1999 Wall Street Journal article ("Clausen's 'Eco-Probes' Draw Suspicion, But He Still Turns Up on TV, in Papers) that shows up Clausen for the charlatan he is, and in which the joker justifies his addition of pie-throwing to a file on eco-terrorist incidents by claiming that it's an assault.

A grimacing Clausen frantically pursued the Brigadiers to no avail, as they left him a mess but made a clean getaway. He finally appealed to the local police station, ranting and raving that "Earth First! got me! They hit me upside the head with a rock and broke my sunglasses!" However, the sight of cream dripping from all sides and his cheesy "I'm undercover—don't fuck with me" shades intact didn't lend credibility to his case in the eyes of the sheriffs, who were plum tuckered-out in dealing with the biggest mass-trespass they had ever seen. A group of EF!ers recognized him from their jail cell and proceeded to heckle and cajole the pie-laden private dick until he was forced into a humiliating retreat back to the pay phone. Clausen was overhead saying "The Earth First! bitches got me!," which of course fueled the raucous laughter already bubbling out of the assembled crowd. Our Man Barry hung up the phone, toweled off, and drove off into the sunset to his "North American Research" office in California.

Agent Frosty issued a crisp warning to any agents of repression in our midst: "As long as spies lie, the pies will fly!"

For more information on Clausen's nefarious career of misinformation, contact the Earth First! Journal at (541) 344-8004; earthfirst@igc.apc.orgAn excellent analysis of the Wise Use movement can be found on the CLEAR website:
http://ewg.org/pub/home/clear/clear.html
For info on Barry Clausen, search under "Clausen"

Do or Die Voices from the Ecological Resistance



Do or Die No. 8 is 350 A5 pages crammed with reports and analysis from the worldwide ecological frontlines. From tribal resistance against Indonesia to the festive attack on the financial heart of London on June 18th these are the voices, not of outsiders, journalists or academics, but of those involved in the struggles themselves. In these times of concrete alienation these voices shine hope from movements that aim to defend nature, create revolution and re-wild humanity...

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were limited isolated successes.

Liberation Collective maintains the *Center For Revolution* in the heart of downtown Portland. The space serves as a resource for individuals wishing to educate themselves on, and take action against oppression and injustice while working towards a peaceful and just society. The center has a large lending library of over a thousand titles available, books and other merchandise for sale promoting various social and political issues, as well as an immense amount of free literature. In addition to large bulletin boards and a community calendar listing many events and actions happening locally, inside you will find our office and meeting space. The *Center For Revolution* is open daily and host to classes, lectures, presentations, potlucks, meetings and other various community events not exclusive to the collective.

Liberation Collective publishes *Resistance, journal of grassroots direct action*, a quarterly newspaper documenting and helping to build networking between various grassroots direct action struggles working for positive social change.

Liberation Collective works diligently on various campaigns of it's own, both local and national, as well as those of other groups and organizations, always underlining the common cause. We organize and attend local and nationwide conferences and seminars where we speak and give presentations on the *linking social justice movements to end all oppression* ideology, effective methodologies for achieving positive social change and other various social justice issues.

Liberation Collective is always searching for dedicated individuals with a sincere commitment to the struggle for peace and justice. Volunteers are needed for a variety of current and ongoing activities. The fight against oppression and injustice is waged in our hearts and minds, and should be prominent in all our decision making processes. If you are interested in getting involved by volunteering and/or becoming a member please complete and return the form below to us. Donations are gladly accepted and are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

Liberation Collective membership is on a per year basis at $30. The low-income rate is $25 per year. Membership entitles you to a one years subscription to our quarterly news paper Resistance, journal of grassroots direct action, a 5% discount on all items sold at the Center For Revolution and all liberation Collective merchandise sold through mailorder. You will also be placed on our mailing list and will be kept up to date on our campaigns and other activities. As we are an all volunteer organization, 100% of all donations go directly to our activities. Consider it an investment in the future for us all.

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