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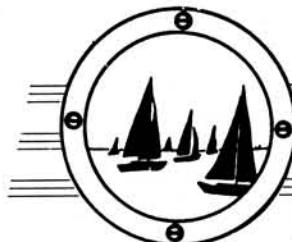
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Greens Are Active In Santa Cruz

As members of the Santa Cruz Greens, we would like to thank you for last month's cover story. We appreciated your interest, and enjoyed your coverage of the National Green Gathering in Eugene.

We would like to inform *Monthly Planet* readers of our local group's history and activities. Inspired by the October 1988 Greening of the West Conference in La Honda, the local Greens organization formed. We work through Activity Groups which take on specific local concerns and issues. The Sustainability Activity Group presented "Future Visions" at the University. Working with SCAN (Santa Cruz Action Network) and CARD (Campus Association for Responsible Development), we gave Santa Cruz residents the opportunity to express their ideas about community growth, in response to the University's long-range development plan. Currently this group is examining affordable com-



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munity housing.

Another active group, our Education Committee, is an internal working group which presents discussion topics at our bi-monthly meetings. We have focussed on position papers from the National Conference and the Green's Ten Key Values (values which all Greens share.)

The Toxic Activity Group has been researching production, use, and disposal of paper products. We are about to launch a national campaign encouraging the public to use dioxin-free paper. We are interested in eliminating use of dioxin in paper production, encouraging use of recycled paper, and discouraging use of disposable paper products in general. Forty percent of U.S. solid waste is paper. Reducing paper use, or using recycled paper, saves trees, energy, and water, and reduces air pollution.

The Santa Cruz Greens are members of the national Greens organization, as a Committee of Correspondence. Our next local meeting is on Wednesday, September 13th, at the Calvary Episcopal Church classrooms. We welcome any interested community members. For more information, call 335-3216, or contact the Santa Cruz Greens at 330 Orchard Road, Felton, 95018.

Sincerely,
Kathryn Taylor
Craig Flowers
Susan Welch for
Santa Cruz Greens

Greens Should Address Population Dynamics

As an older woman, aware of ecological realities for 30 years or more, I've observed the Green movement with hope. The article "Who are the Greens?" was disappointing. There was not one word about population dynamics or family planning. "The world the North American Greens would like to see come about" should have included something like this:

"Everyone is informed about planetary population levels and the status of non-

renewable and sustainable resources. Each person feels free to produce no children, to bear many children, to have biological and adopted children, or any combinations of these reproductive options. Everyone has been taught the basic ecological fact that humans have overcome so many limiting factors that they must practice contraceptive factors in order to prevent the occurrence of vast populations which cannot be healthfully sustained, educationally nurtured, or esthetically enriched, but will instead suffer malnutrition, dangerous ignorance, and miserable lives. Everyone knows that humans are social animals, each human depends on other humans, and each human has a responsibility to make decisions which will not hurt others. Therefore, each woman develops a consciousness and conscience about her reproductive potential and decides what to do about it based on her personal abilities to raise a child, and the ability of her ecosystem to sustain children. Men, also, participate conscientiously in these decisions, but as long as it is the women who give birth to children, then theirs is the deciding action in human reproduction."

Greens do not easily discuss human population problems for several reasons: Many potential allies of the Greens believe the old socialist dogma that the problem is not the number of humans, it is the inequitable distribution of the goods. This dogma arose when it was believed that humans could conquer nature and solve any problems with their technology.

Many new age Greens believe that if we will only love mother nature, have peace, and share the abundance with one another, then the planet or Gaia or God or Goddess will provide all we need, no matter how many of us there are.

Greens who talk about the need to limit human populations get accused of promoting government controls over reproductive rights. They are reminded of the bad things done by both do-gooders and unscrupulous manipulators to ignorant women, such as experiments with birth control methods and sterilizations done

without advised consent. The elitist arrogance of the U.S.A. and other developed nations, which waste and consume so much of the planet's resources while urging poverty stricken women in the third world not to have so many babies, causes many to say, "Leave those humble people alone, they live simple non-consuming lives, they are closer to nature than we are and know how to take care of themselves." So Greens who talk about human population dynamics face accusations of elitist, sexist, genocidal racism.

Greens should confront these accusations and use them to explain ecological realities. There will always be the possibility and often the reality of government and religious attempts to coerce women either to have more children than they want or to not have as many as they want. There is always a problem of both well-meaning and evil people manipulating the ignorant in order to do some social program or other, be it population control, national service, or public health endeavors, etc.

That we humans do stupid and evil things does not excuse us from confronting and coping with our reproductive potentials and population problems. The basis of a humane, sustainable planetary society is the ecological balance between the numbers of humans on this planet and the resources to both feed and shelter their bodies and nurture their intellectual and esthetic potentials, and to have the beautiful diverse plants and animals and landscapes to enrich their lives.

Pat Miller
Aptos

Reverse Racism in The Peace Movement

I read with interest the interview with Reverend Daniel Buford (August 1989 *Monthly Planet*). I don't agree with him that racism plays a part within the so-called "white peace movement." If he chooses to view his world through a racism-sensitive perspective, then racism can be observed throughout by him. Whether a little, a lot, or merely contrived, that's his bandwagon but I think he's making a lot of noise and very little music.

For those looking for racism, there's an endless abundance to be found in practically every neighborhood worldwide. As for peace movements, and liberals in Santa Cruz, I observe a reverse racism, if anything — a sort of bending over backwards to be friendly and accommodating to "people of color."

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Approximately how many Contra troops currently exist?

- a) None.
- b) 2,000 in Honduras and 7,000 in Nicaragua.
- c) 7,000 in Honduras and 2,000 in Nicaragua.
- d) 7,000 in Honduras, 2,000 in Nicaragua, and 10,000 in Miami.
- e) 1 in Santa Barbara.

The Department of Energy has recently admitted that:

- a) It's main purpose is to develop nuclear weapons.
- b) Nuclear warhead production poses an environmental and health hazard.
- c) Star Wars won't work.
- d) Nuclear testing isn't necessary.
- e) It knows nothing about energy.

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- a) It looks like the Batplane.
- b) The Pentagon thinks it's cool.
- c) It's such a bargain.
- d) Just because.
- e) Your guess is as good as ours.



True/False

- Of the 94 nuclear weapon facilities, 72 are no longer operative.
- Congress wants to base the Midgetman missile on rail cars.
- The Department of Energy is responsible for both operating and overseeing nuclear weapons manufacture.
- The current round of Contra aid expires on January 1, 1990.

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Legislative Update

The End of the Contras?

by Shelly D'Amour

On August 7, the presidents of five Central American nations agreed on a plan that spells the end of the Nicaraguan Contras as an organized military group.

Under the terms of this agreement, Contra units would begin a process of demobilization and repatriation under the supervision of an international commission made up of representatives of the United Nations and the Organization of American States. The commission will monitor the transition of Contra soldiers and their families back into Nicaraguan life, and verify that they receive the civil and legal rights they were promised by the Sandinista government. The entire process is to be completed by December 8.

Technically, the disbanding and repatriation of Contra forces is voluntary, although the alternatives for the Contras are not too appealing. After December 8, an armed presence comprised of U.N. peace-keeping forces will be maintained on the Nicaragua/Honduras border to keep out all incursions. Furthermore, the leaders of the five Central American nations stand in prior agreement not to allow their countries to serve as sanctuaries for armed groups hostile to neighboring countries. As the months progress, Honduras, which has always been loath to admit it has been sheltering the Contras, will be pressured by its neighbors to take stronger measures against any remaining base camps within its borders.

As it is, Honduras already has plenty of incentive to get rid of the Contras. Left in a kind of political limbo in recent months, with no military funding and little to do, some Contra forces have taken to marauding the Honduran countryside engaging in death squad activities. Episodes of brutality, murder and disappearances have increased sharply in Honduras. Once the borders are secured and the amnesty per-



iod has lapsed, it will be up to Honduras to deal with whatever Contra forces that have stayed behind. Currently, there are more than 7,000 Contra troops in Honduras and a little over 2,000 within Nicaragua.

From its perspective, the government of Nicaragua has made it clear: after December 8, it will move militarily against any armed units of Contras within its borders.

This latest Central American accord, negotiated in Tela, Honduras, sets out the procedures by which the Nicaraguan Contras will be dismantled and repatriated. By September 7, an International Commission of Support and Verification (abbreviated CIAV in Spanish) will be established. The CIAV will then spend the following 90 days overseeing all aspects of the repatriation process, beginning with

visiting Contra base camps to explain the new treaty. The commission will also organize the distribution of humanitarian aid such as food, clothing and medical supplies, and negotiate with potential third countries to receive those who do not wish to repatriate (so far there have been no such offers from third countries).

Publicly, Contra leadership says it will abide by the wishes of Honduras and leave the country. However, it is hard to say what the majority of their forces will choose to do. Some have expressed doubts about successful repatriation because they fear eventual Sandinista retaliation or local neighborhood retaliation, or both. Others have expressed a desire to continue their armed campaign in the Nicaraguan mountains. Prominent Contra figures such as

Adolfo Calero say they will not lay down their arms until after the February 1990 elections are held in Nicaragua, a position currently backed by the Bush Administration.

The Contras (short for "counterrevolutionaries" in Spanish) came into existence in 1981, two years after the Nicaraguan triumph and ousting of former dictator General Anastasio Somoza Debayle. Organized by former Somoza National Guard members, and directed, trained and financed by the CIA, the Contras have conducted eight years of organized terror against the civilian population of Nicaragua, primarily from base camps just over the border in Honduras.

Despite massive amounts of money, weapons, and technical support supplied by Congress and the Reagan Administration, the Contras never succeeded in gaining any permanent territory inside Nicaragua. Their primary military targets have been schools, health clinics, agrarian collectives and power supply stations, supposedly with the intention of destabilizing the economy so as to rouse the population against the Sandinista government. Although they did succeed in causing widespread misery throughout Nicaragua, bringing the country to the brink of economic and social collapse, the Contras did not achieve their goal of galvanizing significant popular support.

That, however, was no deterrent to the U.S. Congress, which funneled over \$200 million to the Contras since 1985. This was not sufficient for the Reagan Administration, which devised a number of illegal and covert schemes to fund the Nicaraguan rebels, culminating in what's become known as the Iran/Contra scandal.

On a positive note, however, the congressional debates over Contra aid provided some of the most substantial discussion of the role of U.S. foreign policy

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The current round of Contra aid expires November 30. The Bush Administration wants Congress to vote the second installment of funds regardless of whether the Contras agree to the December 8 timetable. If Congress did so, it would serve to seriously undercut the delicate, complicated process worked out by the Central American presidents and further erode efforts by Central Americans to settle their own affairs.

Military Budget

Both the House and the Senate have passed their versions of the fiscal year 1990 Defense Authorizations Bill. The authorizations process is the second step in a three-part budget process, and sets the spending limits on line items contained within the federal budget. Each of the 14 federal departments submits a spending bill to Congress, which debates and amends

arms control measures in order to get the defense bill passed quickly. It is critical to the success of future arms control legislation that Mr. Foley hold firm on such House-backed measures.

The defense bill is now ready to go to conference. Here is an overview of the issues to be resolved:

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In the House, an unusual coalition of liberal Democrats and conservative Republicans, each for their own reasons, banded together and voted to eliminate funding for the Midgetman program. The Bush Administration had requested \$100 million. The Midgetman is a single-warhead, mobile missile. The Senate approved the entire \$100 million.

After rejecting several amendments aimed at eliminating the MX program, the House adopted the Spratt amendment to cut \$502 million from the proposed \$1.1 billion, by a vote of 224-197. The Senate, however, voted down a similar amendment sponsored by Senator Carl Levin (D-MI) and approved the entire \$1.1 billion. The House also approved a proposal to retain the 50 missile ceiling on the program.

The MX is a 10-warhead, land-based

Star Wars

The administration requested \$4.9 billion for the Star Wars program. On a vote of 248-175, the House passed an amendment to reduce that figure to \$3.1 billion. The Senate approved \$4.5 billion. Last year Congress voted \$4 billion for the program. It is likely that the conference committee will settle on a similar figure this year.

Stealth (B-2) Bomber

The Pentagon is requesting \$4.7 billion to fund production of eight of these nuclearized batplanes for the coming year. The Air Force would eventually like to have 132 bombers. At current cost projections of almost \$600 million each, the entire program may cost more than \$70 billion. The Pentagon has already invested \$22 billion in Stealth.

In July, the House voted 257-160 to authorize \$3.7 billion for production of four planes through 1991. However, the House stipulated that all production funds will be withheld pending an agreement between Congress and the administration on a revised proposal for the Stealth program.

The Senate voted 98-1 to authorize \$4.4 billion for the production and testing of three planes, and parts for five planes, in the coming year. The funds will be frozen, however, until the Stealth successfully completes its current round of tests. Concerned that the administration and the Pentagon would interpret this almost

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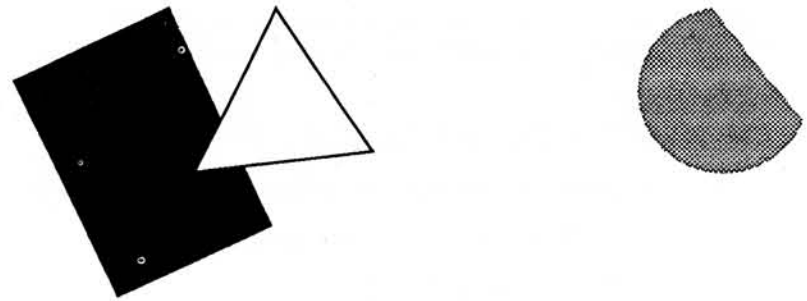
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The current round of Contra aid expires November 30. The Bush Administration wants Congress to vote the second installment of funds regardless of whether the Contras agree to the December 8 timetable.

it in each house. Differences are then reconciled in conference committees.

In previous years, it was during the conference committee process that House leadership gave away many significant arms control provisions won in the House. It will be interesting to see how newly elected House Speaker Thomas Foley (D-WA) performs in this regard. Foley has received consistently high ratings on his voting record from national arms control organizations. His predecessor, former Speaker Jim Wright (D-TX), also had a good voting record, but frequently made compromises with the administration on

missile, forming a key element of the U.S. strategic first-strike nuclear triad. The Pentagon would like to remove MX missiles from their current basing in old Minuteman silos and put them on rail cars, to be kept on military bases but moved out among the general populace should a time of international crisis arise. Creating an "acceptable" basing mode for the MX has been a subject of on-going controversy in Congress. In recent years, Congress has invested millions of dollars into research and development of the rail garrison, and appears to be moving closer toward adoption of that program.



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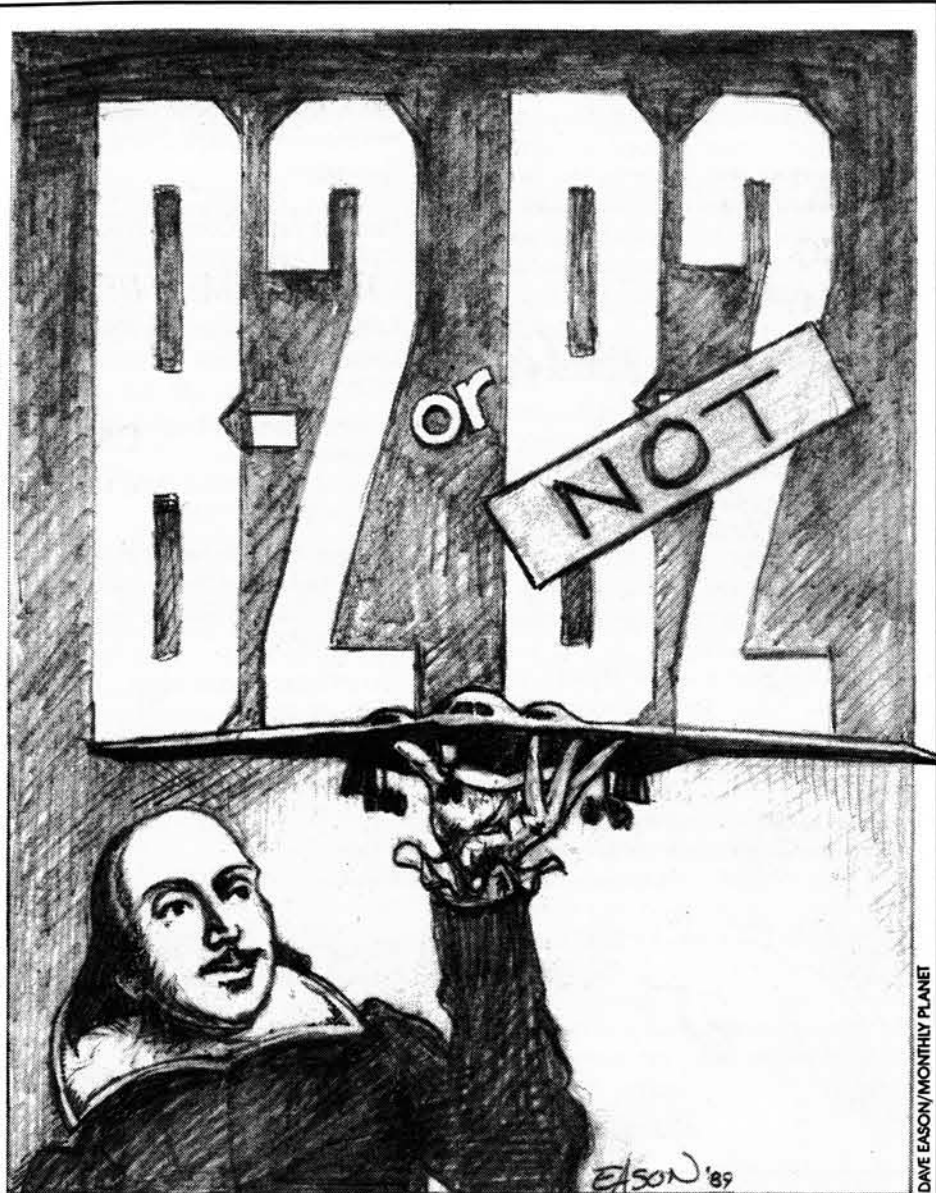
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Legislative Update



From the House debate on the Stealth Bomber, July 25, 1989
Rep. Ed Markey (D-MA) paraphrased Hamlet's entire soliloquy:

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Whether 'tis nobler in the mind to suffer
the slings and arrows of outrageous expense,
Or to take arms against a sea of deficits,
And by opposing end them. To cut; to spend;
No more; and by a cut to say we end
the heartache and a thousand cost overruns
That B-2 is heir to. 'Tis a consummation
Devoutly to be wished. To cut; to spend;
To spend? Perchance stretch out! Ay, there's the rub;
For in those stretch-outs what new overruns may come,
When we have shuffled off deciding,
Must give us pause. There's the respect
That makes the calamity of delay.
For would Stealth bear the whips and scorns of time,
The lack of mission, the untried technology,
The great expense, the inevitable delays
The excessive secrecy; and the cuts
That must be met for Gramm-Rudman target's sake...
A handsome bomber yes, but better
Not to be."

Congress

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unanimous vote as a green light for the entire program, Maine Republican William S. Cohen authored a nonbinding resolution that this vote "does not constitute a commitment to support the procurement of large numbers of B-2 aircraft." The resolution passed 93-7.

If Senate conferees agree to drop their request for component parts, Congress will probably settle on a figure closer to the House level.

Economic Conversion

The Defense Economic Adjustment Act (H.R.101), sponsored by Rep. Ted Weiss (D-NY), is still in need of additional cosponsors. To date, it has 48 cosponsors in the House. The act contains the following provisions:

- It would establish an Alternative Use Committee at each military production site. Comprised of equal representatives of labor and management, the committee would develop a plan for the conversion of their facility for non-military purposes.
- It would require plants to receive a one-year advance notification of cutbacks, in order to implement their alternative use plans.
- It would provide income maintenance funds for employees and economic support funds for communities during the transitional period, with a goal of preventing economic dislocation.

Reps. Gejdenson (D-CT) and Mavroules (D-MA) have also introduced an economic conversion bill, H.R.2852; however this is a much weaker bill than the Weiss legislation. Similarly, an economic conversion provision (called the Oakar provision) has been attached to the Defense Production Act (DPA), H.R.486, but it too is inadequate. Currently, there is no economic conversion legislation being offered in the Senate.

Any proposed economic conversion legislation would have to be heard in the House and Senate Banking committees, and their designated subcommittees, first before it passes onto the congressional floor. September would be an excellent month for this to happen.

ACTION: 1) Urge your representative to co-sponsor the Weiss amendment. 2) If your representative is a member of the Economic Stabilization Subcommittee of the House Banking Committee (your local SANE/FREEZE can tell you if s/he is), ask him/her to substitute the Weiss bill in place of the Oakar provision in the Defense Production Act. 3) If your Senator is a member of the Senate Banking Committee (again, check with SANE/FREEZE for this), ask him/her to attach the Weiss provision to the Senate version of the DPA. If you live in Cal-

ifornia, contact Senator Alan Cranston and ask him to do this.

Nuclear Cleanup

Energy Secretary James D. Watkins has proposed a \$21.5 billion cleanup program to address contamination and safety hazards at 17 nuclear weapons plants and laboratories across the nation. Among the most heavily contaminated sites are the Savannah River plant in South Carolina, the Rocky Flats plant in Colorado, the Hanford plant in Washington state, the Oak Ridge reservation in Tennessee, and the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory in Idaho.

The funding proposal is part of a five-year plan that would lay the groundwork for a cleanup process that Mr. Watkins estimates will take 30 years. The plan was presented in the form of a 395-page report to Congress. Most of the funding requested, \$18 billion, would be spent on cleanup, safety features, and "modernization" of aging and contaminated plants. According to an August 1 *New York Times* article, there are 94 nuclear facilities spread across 19 states, of which 72 are no longer operative.

By anyone's calculations, this is only a modest drop in the bucket. Estimates at a total cost for cleaning the nation's nuclear facilities run upwards to \$150 billion. Although new and so-called "improved" waste facilities are being developed, no one has come up with an adequate, safe way to store high-level, radioactive waste.

In a similar vein, the Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs released a report on their research into 26 separate governmental studies which have looked at the health of workers and neighbors of the nation's nuclear sites. The studies all point to a significantly higher concentration of cancer among workers and neighbors of nuclear facilities than among those who do not live or work near such facilities. In the process, senators discovered that the Energy Department's record-keeping of such health statistics was woefully inadequate.

Senator John Glenn (D-OH), has introduced comprehensive legislation that would address many of the health and safety concerns that were raised by the Senate report. Entitled the DOE Nuclear Safety and Environmental Act (S.1304), the bill would establish an independent oversight committee to monitor various aspects of a radiation health and safety program. It is a complicated piece of legislation, requiring approval by four separate Senate committees before it makes it to the Senate floor.

Finally, the Federal Nuclear Facilities Environmental Response Act (H.R.3065/S.1462) was introduced by Rep. Norm Dicks (D-WA) and Sen. Brock Adams (D-WA). The bill would establish a trust fund to finance the cleanup of DOE plants, with revenues coming principally from DOE's defense budget. The bill is currently in need of cosponsors.

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It's Time for a Plutonium/Tritium Moratorium

by Bruce Cronin

The nuclear reactors at Savannah River Plant in Aiken, South Carolina, stand silent, but if the Department of Energy (DOE) has its way these key links in the production of nuclear warheads will not remain quiet for long. This past fall, the last of Savannah River's five reactors was closed indefinitely because of safety and mechanical problems, including cracks in its cooling systems.

Thirty-seven years after it first began producing plutonium, tritium and heavy water for the nuclear weapons program, the Savannah River Plant has fallen victim to the decay that has affected almost every facility in the expansive (and expensive) U.S. nuclear warhead production system. It joins a growing list of nuclear weapons plants that have slowly deteriorated over the past 20 years from mismanagement, neglect and overuse.

Although those living in nearby communities have long known that the plants were leaking radioactive poison into the air, water and soil, this is the first time DOE has admitted that warhead production poses an environmental and health hazard. (DOE is the agency that, in a classic conflict of interest, is responsible for both operating and overseeing nuclear weapons manufacture.) Yet, rather than sparking a debate over the wisdom of continuing to produce plutonium and tritium, the

government and media have limited discussion to determining how the plants can be efficiently and economically cleaned up and re-opened.

Nineteen facilities in 13 states perform most of the work needed to build a nuclear bomb. From enriching the uranium into usable fuel to assembling the warhead, nuclear weapons manufacture involves producing and processing two of the deadliest materials known: plutonium and tritium. Plutonium remains radioactive for tens of thousands of years, but tritium deteriorates relatively rapidly. It has a half-life of approximately 12 years. Even if the government were to decide not to expand the U.S. arsenal of nuclear weapons — a proposition stoutly rejected by George Bush during his campaign — it would have to continue to produce tritium to maintain warheads already built. New nuclear warheads will also be needed for new weapon systems such as Star Wars and laser weapons.

The "crisis" in nuclear weapons production is not simply a result of environmental and safety hazards. Severe as these may be, they date back to the dawn of the nuclear age leaving a legacy of cancer-ridden uranium miners, atomic veterans, "downwinders" and Pacific Islanders. The "crisis" also involves political questions that go to the heart of U.S. nuclear weapons

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policy.

While the treaty removing intermediate-range missiles from Europe has been praised as a first step toward reversing the arms race, the reaction of government officials to the collapse of the nuclear weapons production system shows that they do not share this view. Rather than seizing the opportunity to re-evaluate the nuclear weapons program, the DOE, the Department of Defense, and key members of Congress are in a state of panic over the threat to their ability to continue plutonium and tritium production. They are frantically trying to find alternative ways to maintain production.

Estimates vary, but military and congressional specialists have concluded that it will cost between \$92 and \$180 billion to clean up the deteriorated facilities and restart warhead production. DOE's "2010 Report" to Congress describes a plan to close the most contaminated and controversial plants in Hanford, Washington, Fernald and Mound Laboratory in Ohio, and Rocky Flats, Colorado, while consolidating most nuclear weapon production activities in Tennessee, Idaho and South

Carolina. The report estimates that \$81 billion is needed for consolidation and modernization with another \$29 billion needed to clean up abandoned sites. Other cleanup estimates run as high as \$155 billion.

In all its studies, the government has yet to say how it will resolve the enormous waste disposal problems at existing facilities which can no longer hold all the radioactive debris produced by military reactors. Likewise, DOE has not explained how it plans to prevent the same environmental and health problems from reoccurring.

Here again, the issues are not simply economic or environmental but the political policies that underlie cleanup plans. The government wants to clean up the plants in order to maintain its capacity to manufacture the new line of exotic nuclear and laser weapons that George Bush promised during his campaign.

Therein lies the crux of the issue. The administration has stalled on reopening Strategic Arms Reduction Talks (START) with the Soviet Union, despite a clear public desire to negotiate drastic mutual reductions in U.S. and Soviet arsenals.

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Bush is committed to deploying a range of new weapon systems from the Trident D-5 and MX/Midgetman to sea- and air-launched cruise missiles and the Stealth bomber. A major threat to the continued growth and maintenance of the U.S. nuclear arsenal is the deterioration of the nuclear weapons production system.

Reaction from the peace movement to the crisis in nuclear weapons production has varied. While some organizations and their supporters in Congress are working to secure stricter environmental safeguards at the plants once they reopen, others are calling for permanently closing all nuclear weapons production and testing facilities. Virtually everyone agrees that the polluted plants must be decontaminated and that those which have deteriorated beyond repair should be permanently closed. Those advocating a complete shutdown of the government's nuclear production system are demanding that cleanup efforts be aimed at

permanently mothballing the plants, not at re-opening them.

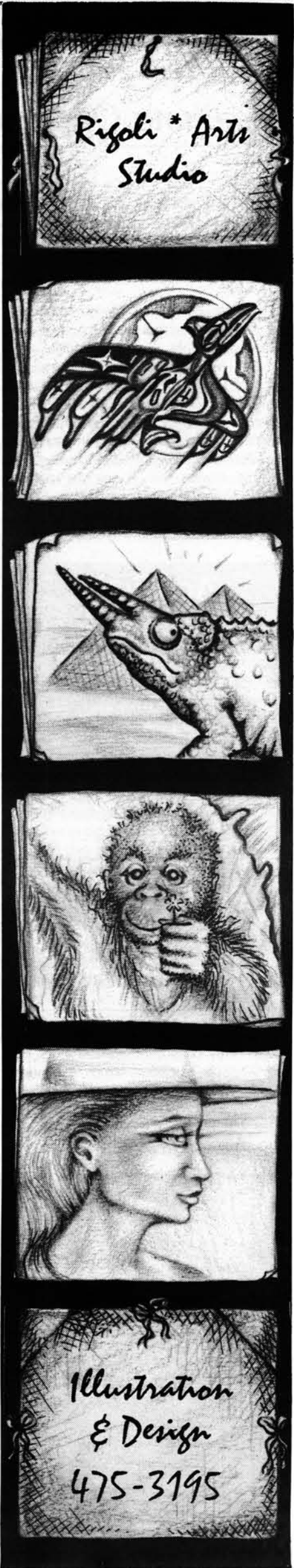
More than 100,000 people currently work at the 19 main weapons plants, while thousands more labor at support facilities. Any plan to permanently close these plants must be coupled with a government guarantee to provide adequate training and employment for these workers. Ensuring job security for plant workers is an important part of the effort to close these facilities.

The past four decades have shown that the government cannot safely operate its nuclear weapons facilities. Upgrading the safety requirements or increasing the enforcement budget are no solution. The U.S. cannot both produce nuclear warheads and protect plant workers and surrounding communities.

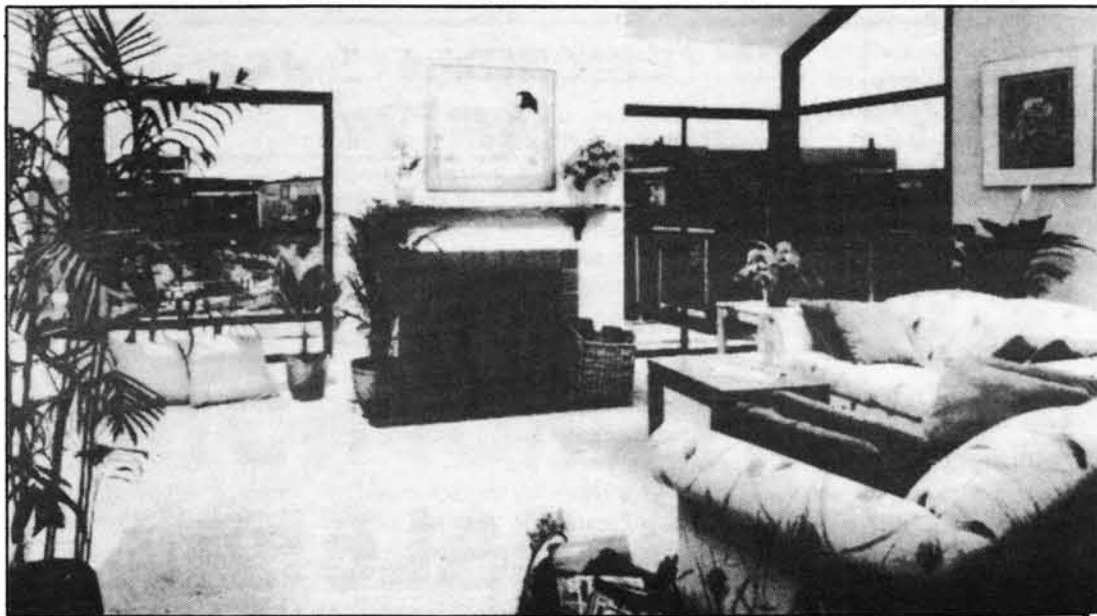
More to the point, the production of nuclear weapons must end, and we have been handed a tool for ending it. If the Bush Administration refuses to seriously

negotiate drastic cuts and eventual elimination of the world's nuclear arsenals, then we should force its hand by threatening the lifeline of the weapons buildup. With warhead development in jeopardy, the U.S. should respond positively to Gorbachev's announcement in March that the Soviet Union will close several of its uranium and plutonium production plants. The State Department's curt dismissal of the announcement cannot be the last word on the subject. A mutual moratorium on all plutonium and tritium production would be a verifiable way to end the arms race between the superpowers.

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The Photo Opportunities of Arms Control

Observing Soviet Military Cutbacks in Hungary

by Georges M. & Sylvia B. Temmer

Editor's note: From May 17-19, representatives of Western governments and peace organizations gathered to observe the partial withdrawal of Soviet troops from Hungary. The writers of this story were there on behalf of SANE/FREEZE. The peace activists attending this event were invited by the Hungarian Peace Council, an official organization sponsored by the Hungarian government. (Future issues of The Monthly Planet will discuss the work of "unofficial" peace activists in Eastern Europe and the Soviet Union.)

Activist's Notebook

We arrived in Budapest by car on Tuesday afternoon — the border-crossing formalities were relatively simple but slow. This was mainly due to the huge number of Hungarian cars returning from Austria

discreet propositions to exchange money. We found the Hungarian people divided between those who hated the Russian soldiers, and saw them only as oppressors, drunkards, thieves, and rapists, and those who saw the departing troops as a group of homesick young "boys."

The opening session of our meeting brought together 22 representatives of non-governmental organizations from NATO countries, three representatives of similar organizations from the Soviet Union (including a retired major-general), and 15 members of Parliament. It was held in the resplendent neo-Gothic Parliament Building which dominates the Budapest skyline along the Danube. We were briefed by Antal Reger, the Chair of the Foreign Affairs Commission of the Parliament, who presented an optimistic assessment of Hungary's development and its prospects for becoming a member of the European Economic Community.

Reger told us of dramatic changes in the Parliament's composition; in the last two months two members have been recalled, and 40 "official" candidates did not receive enough votes to be elected. He

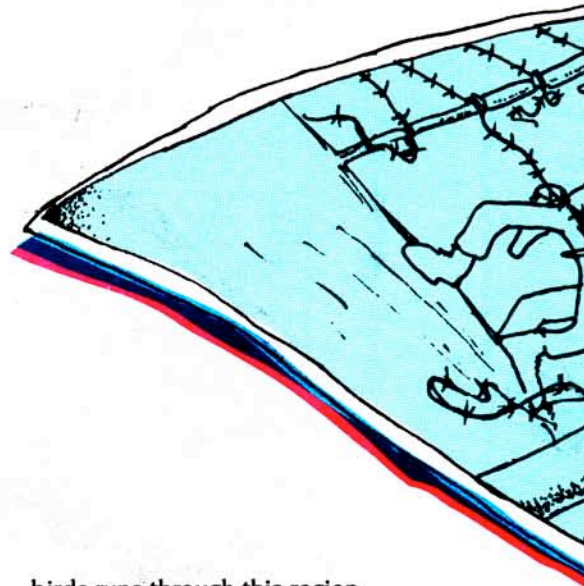
anism exists for the Hungarian Peace Council (HPC, our hosts) to approach Parliament as a body, the Council is a government agency with a permanent presence at the Foreign Affairs Commission.

Peter Deak, a retired colonel and President of the Disarmament Council of the HPC, presented a paper on changes in thinking on military doctrine. Apparently the new emphasis is on what is called *defensive defense* and *common security*. Miklos Barabas, the general secretary of the HPC, announced that one of its goals is to develop, in an open forum, a new Hungarian security policy to be incorporated into the new Constitution. This would include a ban on development, deployment or stockpiling of nuclear weapons on Hungarian soil.

The Wednesday afternoon program started with lunch at the Miklos Zrinyi Military Academy, the equivalent of our West Point. We were told that Hungarian military personnel have actually thought about the idea that someday they might be unemployed as members of the military. Officers are therefore also trained in another profession. Although Lt. Gen. Gyula Fabian seemed to hold a remarkably enlightened view of world events ("Disarmament is clearly the only possible long-range solution!"), this general could not resist showing us facilities dedicated to the preparation for war.

The plans for Thursday were changed to allow us to observe the removal of the barbed wire and electronic monitoring fences between Hungary and Austria. We first went to the small village of Fertorakos near the town of Sopron, about 200 kilometers west of Budapest. The barbed wire was removed with a special tractor device which wound it onto a spool. The soldiers cut souvenir pieces of the "Iron Curtain" for everyone to take home.

A little while later two olive trees of peace were planted, with everyone present pitching in a few shovelfuls of earth. The Hungarians hope to turn this area into an international wildlife refuge jointly with the Austrians. It is a part of the Neusiedler See, a huge, shallow lake which lies mostly in Austria. One of the main routes of many varieties of migratory



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loaded with consumer goods, after the long Whitsun weekend which extended through Monday.

We celebrated our arrival at a coffee house, where we had the first of dozens of

predicted that the Parliament will ultimately become a true people's forum. Parliament is currently debating a law on conscientious objectors which provides for alternative service. Although no mech-

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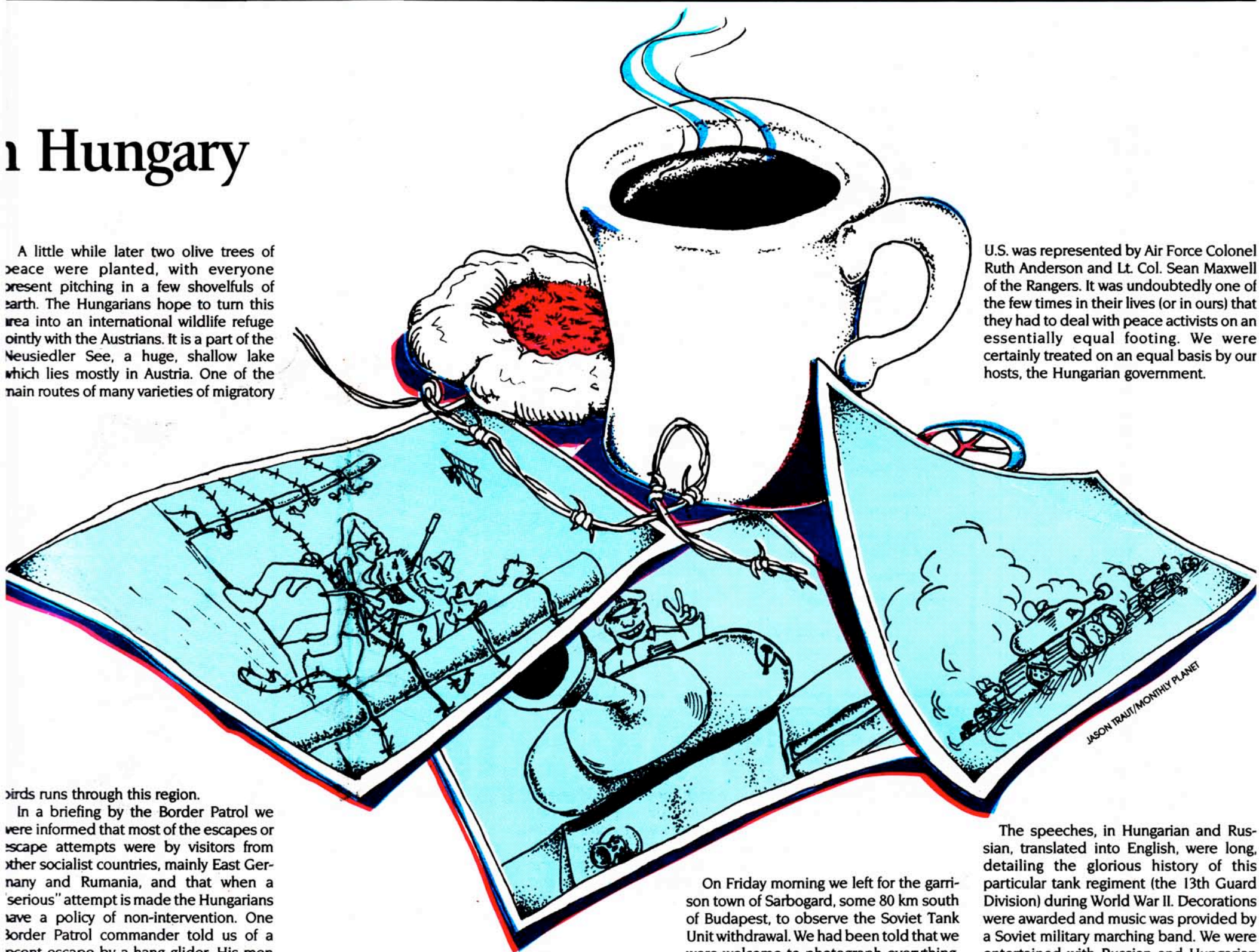
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that an individual had landed. This tolerant attitude is leading to a tightening of border controls between Hungary and its more restrictive socialist neighbors.

On Friday morning we left for the garrison town of Sarbogard, some 80 km south of Budapest, to observe the Soviet Tank Unit withdrawal. We had been told that we were welcome to photograph everything, without exception. Military observers were there from many countries, including NATO members West Germany, Britain, Italy, Canada, and the Netherlands. The

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The speeches, in Hungarian and Russian, translated into English, were long, detailing the glorious history of this particular tank regiment (the 13th Guard Division) during World War II. Decorations were awarded and music was provided by a Soviet military marching band. We were entertained with Russian and Hungarian folk-dancing. Then the troops paraded by — in goose step past the reviewing platform.

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stark with their mattressless metal beds and vacated lockers. Then it was off to the empty "garages" which had housed the tanks. Now they were massed in the courtyard ready to move out. We streamed around them much like new car buyers in an automobile showroom. Some of the military people were quite forthcoming in their comments about the capabilities of the tanks. We watched Gen. Makarewski explain the intricacies a Soviet T-64B tank to Col. Maxwell. Then it was time for them to pull out. At a signal, the men raced to their tanks ("Comrades, start your engines?!") and the engines roared to life.

No words will ever adequately render the physical impact of 57 tanks rumbling by. The casual response to "how many did you see?" might have ranged to 200 or more. It is clear that the people of Sarbogard who live around the military compound were relieved of a tremendous ecological burden, if nothing else, with the departure of these tanks and associated troops.

After being fed lunch in the mess hall under the ever-present portrait of V.I. Lenin, we were taken to the railroad siding where the Soviet tanks were being loaded on flatcars for their trip home. There, this famous 13th Guard Division, a tank unit that had covered itself with glory during World War II at Stalingrad, Smolensk, and other crucial battles, was to be disbanded. After more than an hour of watching these procedures, the station master raised his hand and slowly the long train shuddered into motion. As a passenger train carried away the soldiers, a Hungarian railroad worker said: "This is great, but why don't they all go?"

The speeches, in Hungarian and Russian, translated into English, were long, detailing the glorious history of this particular tank regiment (the 13th Guard Division) during World War II. Decorations were awarded and music was provided by a Soviet military marching band. We were entertained with Russian and Hungarian folk-dancing. Then the troops paraded by — in goose step past the reviewing platform.

We toured the now empty barracks,

Georges & Sylvia Temmer work with the Coalition for Nuclear Disarmament in Princeton, New Jersey.

On Friday morning we left for the garrison town of Sarbogard, some 80 km south of Budapest, to observe the Soviet Tank Unit withdrawal. We had been told that we were welcome to photograph everything, without exception. Military observers were there from many countries, including NATO members West Germany, Britain, Italy, Canada, and the Netherlands. The

that an individual had landed. This tolerant attitude is leading to a tightening of border controls between Hungary and its more restrictive socialist neighbors.

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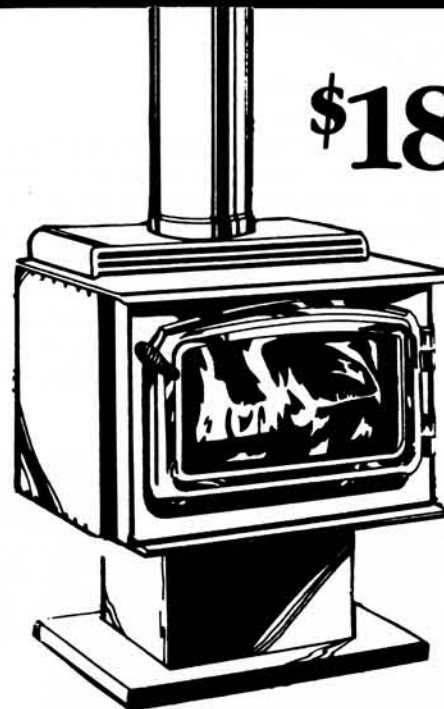
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A Closer Look

The People's Peace Triad

by Susan C. Strong

The current U.S. government is completely out of step with the world's people. The administration's new military plan, SIOP-7 (Strategic Integrated Operations Plan), as recently described by the *Los Angeles Times*, doesn't seem to take into account any new world conditions since 1945. Our Congress has just voted for a huge military budget, to further build up the three "legs"—(land, air, and sea)—of our missile defense "triad." Even if none of these weapons is ever used, they, and the ones other governments build to match them, have already had a destructive impact. The money they cost can't be used for the environmental protection or the reduction of global poverty that our national security really requires.

There are still too many people in power who think that only military "solutions" are practical for today's problems. Other people still think weapons construction is just a good and harmless way to provide jobs. Given the numbers of such people, even today's clear evidence of global warming or ozone destruction will not be enough to save us. These dangers are not even enough, it seems, to inspire responsible lawmaking about pollution from ordinary legislators of good will. It is absolutely a matter of sheer survival for the public to apply massive political pressure for a change in political philosophy that will affect all the areas that endanger us. This means as much of the public as possible, in as unified a movement as we can make it.

Progressive organizers need to adjust to our changed global situation too. Those of us accustomed to working only on a single issue can no longer afford this dubious luxury. To refocus our efforts, we need our own interconnected model — a peoples' peace triad, in which global disarmament provides the funds to protect our ecology and provide social justice, through sustainable development (economic growth which does not destroy its own ecological base). This is the only "triad" which can really prevent war.

As I noted in my first "Peace Triad" article (*Monthly Planet*, July 1989), progress has already been made in terms of unifying peace and environmental work, as well as environmental and sustainable development activity. But peace and sustainable development activists have yet to connect in any very significant political way.

The first step toward solving a problem is understanding the nature and dimensions of the problem. The second occurs when a lot of people spontaneously make it their own problem and start working on it. SANE/FREEZE has already taken some steps toward dealing with the comprehension problem. According to our Legislative Associate Mark Harrison, we have endorsed the alternative foreign policy principles included in the paper, "Containment Policy: A Global Strategy with High Costs," published by the now defunct Washington think tank, the Coalition for a New Foreign Policy. These



principles include: 1) human rights; 2) self-determination; 3) non-intervention; 4) global security and cooperation; 5) equitable and sustainable development. These principles have already been incorporated in our national mission statement, adopted in 1987, and in 1988 we added the phrase, "Campaign for Global Security" to our name.

At the 1989 National SANE/FREEZE Conference, to be held in Oakland, California, November 17, 18, and 19, we will work on ways to make global security a popular issue. The conference will address the global security "peace triad" through a strategic planning review of our two major field organizing programs for this year, the Peace Economy program and the Keep 'Em Shut program (halting plutonium production and nuclear tests). Major speakers such as Delores Huerta, David Brower, Marcie Mersky, Jesse Jackson*, Francis Moore Lappe, Jim Hightower* and Bob Alvarez* (*invited) will keynote our exploration of the conference themes: "New Politics for a New Era," and "A Peace Economy for a Multicultural World." Panels and work-

shops, plus a glittering array of West Coast multicultural entertainment, and an awards ceremony honoring Representative Ron Dellums for his lifetime achievement, complete the picture.

The two major organizing campaigns SANE/FREEZE chose for 1988 have focussed primarily on U.S. realities. In terms of finding more concrete ways to work on the intersection of all of our issues in foreign policy, there is one group which has long been providing a model: the American Friends. The Friends Committee on National Legislation regularly includes updates and information about foreign aid-related legislation, which combine the perspectives of peace and development activists. FCNL advises its readers to lobby for cuts in what is called the "security assistance part of the foreign aid allocation." This is either outright military aid or economic aid that relieves local budget pressure so that the recipient country can spend more of its own dollars on military expenditures. In addition, FCNL calls for redesigning the "structural adjustment" feature of third world debt relief so that the poor do not suffer from

debt management, which increases environmental pressure and social unrest. In the actual "development" assistance segment of foreign aid and grants, FCNL reports that delivery needs to be redesigned so that it reaches the subsistence farmers who grow locally consumed food, not the big export growers. FCNL has called for a "poverty impact statement" or "social impact statement" to be added to all considerations about the delivery and recipients of U.S. foreign aid or loans through multilateral development banks.


The idea that global poverty is part of the triad of planetary threats we face right now is just beginning to receive wider currency. Much work needs to be done to educate members of the general public about how world poverty really does affect them in terms of its impact on the overall "peace triad" of global economic stability, environmental safety, and freedom from the threat of war.

Susan C. Strong represents Northern California on the SANE/FREEZE National Board. She is Co-Chair of the 1989 National Conference. For more info on the S/F Conference, where all of these questions will be explored further — contact the SANE/FREEZE National Office, 711 G St. S.E., Washington, D.C. 20003.

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On the Road with the Women's Convoy to Central America

by Valori George

The first time I heard about the Women's Convoy I knew it was the perfect way for me to see Central America and learn first-hand if my impressions of the region were true. I deeply admired the Veteran's Peace Convoy of last summer, which had delivered aid and vehicles to the people of Nicaragua. What could be better than doing that with all women?

From the very beginning, the Women's

Activist's Notebook

Convoy was a life-changing experience — just as the brochure had promised. In the six months of organizing prior to our take-off from Santa Cruz, I met an enormous number of people working in solidarity with the people of Central America. So many were instantly enthused about this historic first of a large mass of women crossing borders to extend their love and support and aid to women of other coun-

tries... an exciting act on a personal level, but also a highly visible way to express our disgust at U.S. policies of aggression, domination and genocide in Central America.

The National Office of the Convoy had formulated lists of the women's groups from southern Mexico to Nicaragua to whom we would be taking specifically requested material aid. I began calling and writing and gathering, and before long I had a 1983 Isuzu pick-up with a camper — loaded with spare parts. It was to serve as a chuck wagon, so it was also stocked with donated food for us to eat along the way. From Santa Cruz and Monterey Counties, we had collected 25 or 30 manual typewriters with paper and ribbons, three sewing machines, a beautiful old accordion, school and art supplies, sewing notions and materials, 200 lbs. of powdered milk, children's vitamins, and soup kitchen equipment. Eight of us left Santa Cruz with my truck, a bus, and a van on June 11, after grand farewells from our friends at the Bill Motto VFW Post and the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom.



Valori George, Marilyn Lucier, and Ruth Hunter at the Convoy send-off in Santa Cruz.

16 June

Rest area outside of Van Horn, Texas

We are now 18 women with seven vehicles, and a more mismatched bunch of hooligans you couldn't find. All the Convoy promotional material promised a diverse group of women, but I never envisioned "our gang" and I don't think anyone else did. And yet we are patching up broken down trucks, sleeping and eating together, surviving in 107 degree temperatures — many stressful situations usually reserved for only close friends or family — and we're still together. We are rapidly developing our communication skills and consensus process, and just in the nick of time. Waiting for us in Austin will be 50 more new women, from all over the States, with whom we'll soon be crossing borders.

21 June

Immigration parking lot in Laredo, Texas

It's really impressive to look at this lineup of 21 vehicles on our second day of traveling together, including three ambulances, a six-ton truck named Jezebel, and a grey school bus named the Grey Turtle. And among the 70 of us we have attorneys, journalists/photographers, artists, students, a professional trucker, a cab driver, auto mechanics and a nurse. Anyway, today's crossing is going incredibly well (because of preliminary work done by our border-crossing team and the helpfulness of the Mexican officials). We'll be pulling out some time before dark with our three Mexican aduanas (customs guards who will stay with us throughout the country).

26 June

Puebla, Mexico

Yesterday we drove into Mexico City through the most incredible rainstorm to

deliver aid to the Seamstress Union "19 de septiembre." These women had begun to organize their union after the earthquake of September 19, 1985, when the gigantic sewing factory in which they worked crumbled to the ground. Many of the women were buried in the rubble and died. Immediately, the owner brought in a crew to dig through the rubble — not for the bodies of the women, but for sewing machines and bolts of material. This was the first separation between the seamstresses and their boss — they formed a human barricade around the wreckage of the factory and demanded that the families be allowed to take their dead for proper burial. The owner then made them work six days a week for the same pay as five to make up for the losses he had incurred because of the earthquake. They told us, "The earth had to tremble for us to awaken from our lethargy. We used to be complacent. Now we are committed to the struggle. Everything can be achieved through unity and struggle."

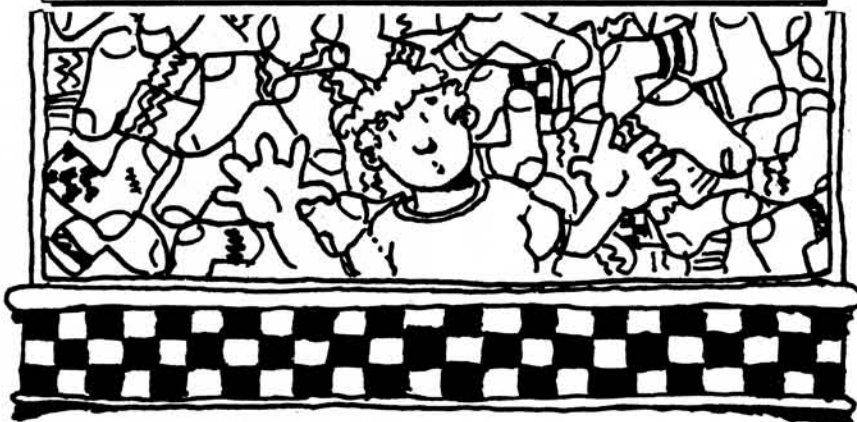
30 June

Comitan, Chiapas, Mexico

Ever since we left Mexico City the country has been amazingly beautiful — lush and tropical. We arrived on the outskirts of Comitan late last night and were greeted by about 60 health promoters from the Guatemalan refugee camps. Although they want to return to their country, the refugees are now organizing around health issues where they live. They work together among the different camps, assisted by Mexican health workers, but because of their economic limitations, they survive only through support from the international community. What is satisfying about the Convoy is that we are bringing them exactly what they need.

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2 July
Atilan, Guatemala

No one talks about what's really going on here — the massive genocidal operations against the indigenous people. The government forces have successfully terrorized the Indians into silence. So it was especially amazing to spend the afternoon in Solola, on the tip of a volcano's rim, with an entire village of truly beautiful Guatemalan Indians. Many of the women were members of CONAVIGUA (the Widows of the Disappeared, Imprisoned and Assassinated). I was expecting them to be much older than they were — some looked like teenagers, and many in their 20's and 30's. They said we were the first to ever actually come to their village to offer aid and solidarity and to acknowledge that their plight was known to the outside world. They were so grateful and deeply

officials, they were told by the commanding officer: "I'm not usually a violent man, but I have my orders . . ." Suddenly surrounded by 30 men with automatic guns, they had to flee and so did the Salvadoran women waiting for them across the border. The delegation was very shaken up by the experience, though we knew there was a good chance something like this would happen. They have now rejoined the caravan and the aid and ambulances will go to groups in Nicaragua. Nothing will be wasted, but the disappointment is still heart-breaking.

5 July
Hotel Los Angeles in Esquipulas, Guatemala

Last night we met a North American nun who's been in Guatemala 22 years. She told us about a strike by 42,000 teachers.

I knew I wasn't prepared for the reality of Central America, but everything that is wrong with the system is ten times more apparent here.

impressed that we had come to see them — they would never forget this day — and we felt exactly the same about them.

4 July
Guatemala City, Guatemala

I knew I wasn't prepared for the reality of Central America, but everything that is wrong with the system is ten times more apparent here. The injustices of the world are so obvious — if you are looking. The strangest thing about Guatemala is that you could be here and easily ignore the oppression. On our arrival two days ago, a union organizer was assassinated. He had been a close friend and co-worker to our hosts at the Coca-Cola plant, yet they assured us that he had known he was on the hit lists and the timing of his death had nothing to do with our visit.

Meanwhile, we had sent a delegation of four women driving two ambulances and two support vehicles to the Guatemalan-Salvadoran border. The ambulances and the medical supplies in them were to be handed over to a Salvadoran delegation there at the border. After about four hours of attempted negotiations with customs

The day before we had been downtown walking around the market and wondered about the school chairs piled up on street corners and the smoldering tires in the intersections. She explained that there had been demonstrations by the students in support of the teachers. Though we were staying only blocks away, we never knew this was happening. The repression is so well organized and widespread — the buses are rerouted and business goes on as usual. She said that the present political climate feels much like the years directly preceding the massacres of 1981 and 1982. We asked her what if the North American people became aware of the genocide of the indigenous people of Guatemala and spoke out against it? Would it make a difference? She looked at us as if we had posed the most improbable question, and we had.

6 July
Aduana Agua Caliente, Honduras

We are down to the last five or six days together and, because of internal problems that have plagued us since Austin, discussing ideas for organizing the caravan



Dealing with a breakdown on the way to Los Angeles.

so each day is not as chaotic and frustrating as the one before. Many of us feel an overwhelming sense of vulnerability in countries filled with camouflage and weapons and machismo. All day we've sat in this lot with bands of young boys and soldiers with guns roaming around our vehicles. It's unnerving to see youth in this role, but you can see why they choose the military — the other choices look grim indeed.

7 July
On the road to Tegucigalpa, Honduras

Last night was our introduction to traveling with Honduran guards — five of them in camouflage and with rifles — markedly different from the Mexican and Guatemalan guards who were more like escorts. We spent the night in Santa Rosa

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de Copan — with a very menacing feeling in the air. Creeps with guns are everywhere.

8 July
Afternoon gathering with Comité de Mujeres por la Paz "Visitation Padilla," Tegucigalpa, Honduras

"This afternoon is dedicated to the three fallen brothers assassinated by the forces of repression this past week. They were dedicated to the struggle for freedom in this country. May their deaths raise our consciousness to continue our struggle and help us to expel the North American troops in our country." This was the introduction to today's meeting by one of our Honduran hosts. This gathering has

been the highlight of the trip so far. Our guards had planned to push us through Honduras without letting us talk to anyone. But last night it was complete mutiny — we refused to move until we met with these peace groups today. We have 72-hour visas, so legally we can stay. They tried to round us up this morning, but with only five guards and 70 slippery women, we played a great cat-and-mouse game all over downtown Tegucigalpa until time for our meeting. We are the very first international peace delegation this group has ever met with. All others have been turned away at the border, deported at the airport, or escorted straight through (like the Vets' Convoy was). Political conditions here are by far the worst we've seen, yet these people risk everything to speak out against it. I feel an all-new commitment to

solidarity work, and to learning more about Honduras.

10 July
Hotel Ticomo, Managua, Nicaragua

An amazing phenomenon occurs when you cross the border from Honduras into Nicaragua. All the tension which has been steadily building since the U.S.-Mexican border dissipates and an incredible wave of relief sweeps over the caravan. I think we all feel safe for the first time in two weeks. We crossed yesterday afternoon at Las Manos and from there to Ocotal and Esteli. All along the way the streets were lined with welcoming faces, big smiles, waves and cheers. What a contrast from the stony silence and hostile military smiles we've become accustomed to.

This morning we toured the Marmalade

Cooperative "Guadalupe Carney" outside of Esteli and met with the leaders of the co-op. In 1985 many of these women had no jobs but were the sole providers for their families — either through losing their husbands in the war or through abandonment. They looked into their homes to see what need they could fill and noted that no one had any ceramics. (Because of the U.S. embargo, and the resulting economic crisis, there is very little opportunity to replace basic household items when they run out.) Their children were suffering from malnutrition at the same time that citrus fruit was rotting without a system to harvest it all. So they created a marmalade and ceramics co-op which they built with their own hands in four years time. The first building they constructed was the Child Development Center, because "without that there is no other work."

They have a beautiful and spotlessly clean open-air work space currently used by 58 women. Mexican technicians built their first kiln for them and the women of the co-op have built the rest. They make the most wonderful papaya and mango marmalades which they sell in their ceramic pottery. Each afternoon at 3:30 they stop production and go to school because they are in the process of educating themselves to a 6th grade level. They say they must do this because, after all, they are the only ones responsible for their cooperative.

13 July
On the beach at Masachapa, Nicaragua

It's very strange to be on foot these days after constantly being in my little chuck wagon for a month. On the afternoon of the 10th we drove into Managua and were greeted at the Plaza de la Revolucion by the Mothers of the Heroes and Martyrs. We offered a bouquet at the tomb of Carlos Fonseca, the founder of the Frente Sandinista Liberacion National, and sang and exchanged words of welcome and appreciation. And there at the Plaza we turned over the trucks and buses and ambulances that had been our homes on wheels to Campana Nicaragua Debe Sobrevivir (Nicaragua Must Live Campaign). From there they go through customs and then to the area hit hardest by the war and by the hurricane last October.

Our final night together was less a celebration than a last chance to exchange addresses and information with the women we had each grown to love the most and with whom future networking will be a joy. It's too soon to know all the effects of this caravan, but today on the quiet beach of this fishing village, I feel more like myself than I've felt for a month. And I feel like there's more to myself than there was a month ago.

Valori George lives with her daughter Maya in Big Sur and travels frequently to Santa Cruz for political work. She expresses her gratitude to the Santa Cruz community for the support she received in preparation for the Women's Convoy. She is currently formulating plans for a caravan to southern Mexico next summer.



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The Six Parts of the Freeze

by Patricia Wass and Ellie Gavin

Nearly a decade ago, Randall Forsberg published the "Call to Halt the Nuclear Arms Race." In it, she called for "the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. to adopt a mutual freeze on the testing, production, and deployment of nuclear weapons and of missiles and new aircraft designed primarily to deliver nuclear weapons. This would be an essential, verifiable first step toward lessening the risk of nuclear war and reducing the nuclear arsenals." Forsberg's proposal was to become the cornerstone of the Freeze movement.

By 1982, dozens of petition campaigns had sprung up around the country asking Congress to press for an agreement between the U.S. and the Soviet Union to freeze the nuclear arms race. Resolutions were brought to town meetings and city councils around the country, and were especially successful in Vermont, Western Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Freeze organizations were born around the country. Randy Kehler and Bill Ramsey went to St. Louis to start the National Nuclear Weapons Freeze Campaign Clearinghouse. Nearly 18 million people in nine states voted in referenda on the Freeze, with 59% voting yes.

Much has changed since those early days. Cruise and Pershing II missiles have been deployed and are now being removed from European soil. Ronald Reagan first breathed fire about "the evil empire" and the need for more nuclear weapons. Then he reassured Americans that he, too, never wanted a nuclear war, and proposed the Star Wars shield that would protect us all from nuclear attack. Mikhail Gorbachev, the new leader in the Soviet Union, has made some rather startling unilateral moves to lessen military tensions between the superpowers, and has radically challenged our notions of security.

One thing has not changed: the momentum of the nuclear arms race. In spite of reduced tensions between the U.S. and

the Soviet Union, the arms race goes on unabated. And the need to stop the development of new nuclear weapons, and the deployment of those already developed, has not diminished one bit. The Freeze remains the single most important arms control proposal to stop the nuclear arms race, reduce existing weapons, and perhaps ultimately eliminate the nuclear arsenals. It is an essential step toward establishing a new order of international or "global" security.

The Freeze proposal has advantages over other arms control initiatives. Because it is comprehensive, it includes all phases of testing, production, and deployment; therefore verification is more conclusive. It stops new technological developments in both the U.S. and Soviet arsenals that make the arms race even more dangerous. The Freeze has six basic parts, which reinforce each other. Those six parts are:

1. A halt to underground testing of nuclear warheads (the Comprehensive Test Ban). A major component of the Freeze, the CTB is sometimes mistaken for the whole Freeze. While important, it would still permit old warheads to be put onto new missiles, and would allow deployment of warheads already sufficiently tested.

2. A halt to the flight testing of new missiles that deliver the nuclear warheads. A Freeze would prevent the development of the U.S. Midgetman missile, the single-warhead, mobile missile that Congress favors, as well as the development of new Soviet missiles.

3. A halt to military production of basic bomb materials—plutonium and tritium. Again, while it is an important part, it would allow the recycling of enough nuclear material to keep us in warheads for many, many years (it is estimated that even with 5.5% of the existing tritium supply decaying every year, there will still be enough for 1000 warheads in 50 years!).

4. A halt to the production and assem-



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bly of warhead components. Without stopping the assembly of warheads, there is enough material to insure that they could be manufactured for a long time (see #3).

5. A halt to the production and assembly of missile components.

6. A halt to the deployment of new nuclear weapons systems. The new D-5 missile is scheduled to be deployed on the Trident submarines beginning in December 1989. Faster and more accurate than the old Trident C-4 missile, the D-5 is considered by most experts to be a first-strike weapon. Also, the submarine-

launched cruise missiles (SLCM's) now being deployed add a whole new element of danger to the nuclear arms race because they are small and difficult to detect, adding to the potential for nuclear proliferation.

The reductions achieved through the INF Treaty have had an important political and psychological impact on the arms control process. INF demonstrated that the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. can work together to reduce the threat of nuclear war. Militarily, the INF Treaty is virtually meaningless; there are still over 4000 NATO nuclear weapons in the European theater and the U.S. is scrambling to replace the systems being removed with others.

Similarly, the START negotiations for a 50% reduction of the U.S. and Soviet arsenals are politically important, but there is a hitch: if new technological "improvements" in the nuclear arms race are not stopped, then even a 50% reduction will not make us safer. We will be left with fewer old weapons, but the new nuclear weapons being developed will increase the danger by increasing the speed, accuracy, and greatly reduced warning time of the arms race.

The Freeze still makes sense; in fact, it makes more sense than ever. In the changing international political climate, we must work to ensure that the nuclear arms race is defused so as not to be the deciding factor in—or even the cause of—an unexpected moment of crisis. Stopping the nuclear arms race is critical for the establishment of global security.

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Peace & Justice Calendar

All events listed are in Santa Cruz, unless otherwise noted.

Calendar items must be typed, double spaced, and sent (along with any photos) to *The Monthly Planet*, 320-G Cedar St., Santa Cruz, CA 95060.

We must receive your listing no later than **5 p.m. Tuesday, September 19** for inclusion in the October issue (publication date: Thursday, September 28).



ament Vigil. Sponsored by Quakers, Nevada Desert Experience and the Nuclear Weapons Freeze. 4-5 p.m. Info: 458-9975.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

Update of Northern California campaign of INFACT's G.E. boycott. Presented by Director Kirsten Cross. Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship, 6401 Freedom Boulevard, Aptos. Potluck 6 p.m., program 7 p.m. Info: 475-8137.

Open Gatherings small group discussions. Sponsored by the Corporation for Shared Responsibility, a San Jose-based non-profit educational organization. Free, donation requested. 7 p.m., Cafe Pergolesi, 418 Cedar Street; 9 p.m., Cafe Cameleon, 418 Front Street. Info: 947-1606.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

"People of the Rainforest." Slide show and talk presented by Maria Souza, native of Brazil and representative for the Brazilian Union of Indigenous Nations (UNI). Maria Souza recently returned from the Amazon where she attended the national Rubber Tappers Convention and a major tribal gathering of the Kayapo Indians. The Brazilian band RIO will play before and after the presentation. \$4 donation benefits UNI. 7:30 p.m., Unity Temple, 407 Broadway. Info: 423-0984.

Ceremony of Renewal, a day-long ceremony dedicated to healing, growth of the human potential and care for the Mother Earth. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Location to be

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

Discussion concerning National Security Decision Directives, the secret executive orders used by the president to carry out foreign policy. With Eve Pell, staff reporter at the Center for Investigative Reporting in San Francisco. 8 p.m., Loudon Nelson Center, corner of Laurel and Center Streets. Presented by the Christic Action Team. Info: Hiram Lawson 458-1422 ext. 3289.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Nonviolent Peace Army Nation Gathering: Action-Preparation Encampment

starts today. Our Land Cooperative Community's Ranch near Mercedes, California. Info: 427-0322.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

Latin Comedy Show to benefit Salvadoran Refugees in Colomoncagua, Honduras. Comedy troupe Culture Clash will be featured. Sponsored by the Santa Chirino Maya Refugee Committee (SCARC) and Pledge of Resistance. Holy Cross Church Hall, 126 High Street, 7 to 9:30 p.m. Tickets \$9 in advance at the SCARC office, 509 Broadway, and Cymbaline Records, or \$11 at the door. Info: 426-4467.

Open Gatherings small group discussions. Sponsored by the Corporation for Shared Responsibility, a San Jose-based non-profit educational organization. Free, donation requested. 4 p.m., Cafezinho, 1547B Pacific Avenue. Info: 947-1606.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

"International Human Rights and Feminism," a Consider the Alternatives radio program on KAZU (90.3 FM). Featured are: former Congressman Bella Abzug; Felice Gaer, Executive Director of the International League for Human Rights; Joyce Mends-Cole, Washington Representative for Africa Watch; Stephen Isaacs, Co-Director of the International Women's Rights Action Watch; and Susie Tharu, writer, scholar and feminist from India. 9-9:30 p.m. (Repeat Broadcast.) Info: 375-7275.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Progressive Animal Rights Alliance weekly meeting. 7:30 p.m., 409 Washington Street (behind Loudon Nelson Community Center). Info: 438-PARA.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

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Comedy troupe Culture Clash will perform in a Latin comedy show to benefit Salvadoran refugees on Saturday, September 2 at the Holy Cross Church Hall in Santa Cruz. See the calendar listing for details.

announced. \$25 (scholarships available). Presented by the people of the Open Center of San Jose. Info: 458-9437.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
First Annual 88.1 Crafts Fair presented by KZSC FM Radio. Arts, crafts, entertainment, food, performing artists, and community organizations. East Remote Lot, UCSC Campus. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Info: 429-2811.

"News You Can Use," a KKUP (91.5 FM) call-in radio show with host Dan Miller presents updates on peace and social justice issues and occasionally airs tapes of lectures given at Stevenson Nuclear Policy Studies, UCSC. Tonight's guest, marine biologist Jack Ames of the California Department of Fish and Game, spent several months in the Prince William Sound oil-spill cleanup. Here's a chance to ask questions on what happened there. 8-9 a.m. Call-in numbers: 253-6000 and 253-0303.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
"War Stars: The SuperWeapon and the American Imagination," a Consider the Alternatives radio program on KAZU (90.3 FM). The theme of the SuperWeapon, and the play of cultural and material forces behind it, became a fascination for historian Bruce Franklin. Franklin discusses his research and new book "War Stars" with Consider the Alternatives host Bob Musil. Program also includes sound from the 1944 film "Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo." 9-9:30 p.m. (Repeat Broadcast.) Info: 375-7275.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
Coalition for Nicaragua Meeting. "Then and Now: An Inside Look at the Nicaraguan Government Before and After the Revolution," presented by Luis Ramirez,

Regional Planning Consultant for the Nicaraguan Government. Luis Ramirez worked under Somoza and with the Sandinistas. He will speak during the first half of the meeting; the second half is devoted to business. 7-9 p.m., Loudon Nelson Center. Info: Coalition for Nicaragua 458-0303.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
Progressive Animal Rights Alliance weekly meeting. 7:30 p.m., 409 Washington Street (behind Loudon Nelson Community Center). Info: 438-PARA.

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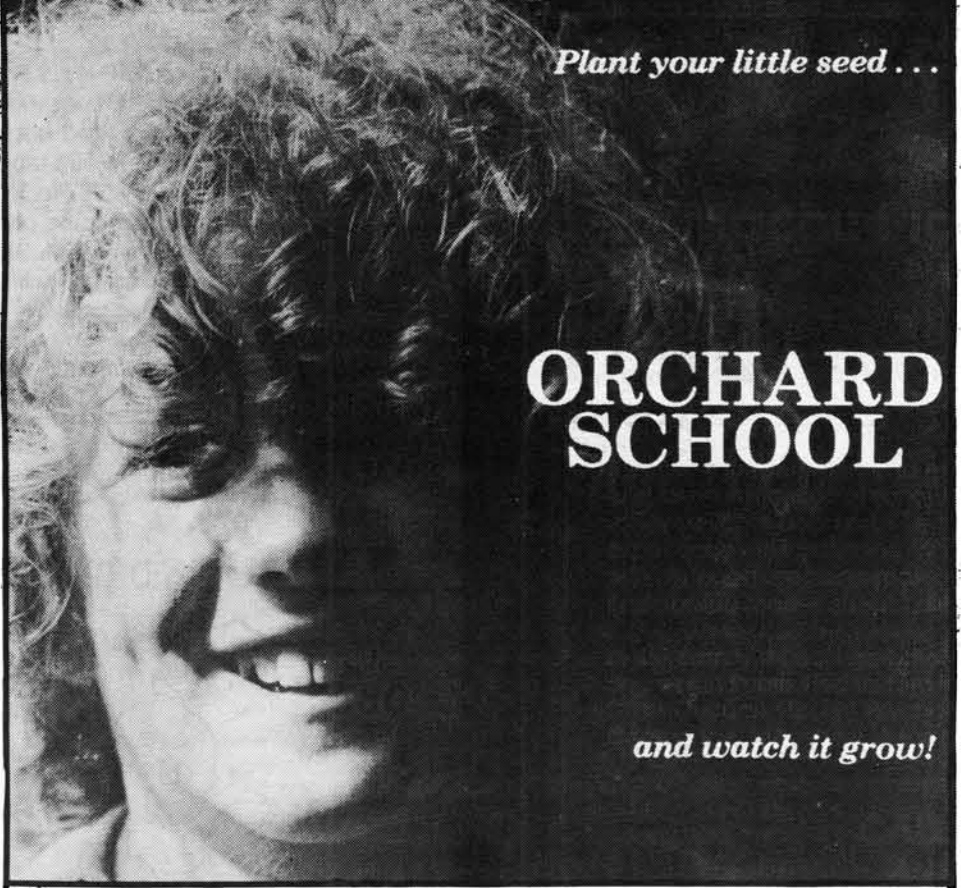


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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

Open Gatherings small group discussions. Sponsored by the Corporation for Shared Responsibility, a San Jose-based non-profit educational organization. Free, donation requested. 7 p.m., Cafe Pergolesi, 418 Cedar Street; 9 p.m., Cafe Camaleon, 418 Front Street. Info: 947-1606.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

"Nicaragua's Economy: War and Crisis" workshop with David Lemus. David Lemus is the Director of Economic Mechanisms for the Nicaraguan Institute of Public Administration. The workshop will focus on the roots and nature of Nicaragua's current economic crisis, and the Nicaraguan government's solutions to the crisis. This workshop is for anyone who wants a more in-depth understanding of the economic crisis Nicaragua is undergoing. The Coalition for Nicaragua will be arranging car pools. 1-4:30 p.m., De Anza College, Forum I building. Info: 458-0303.

"News You Can Use," a KKUP (91.5 FM) call-in radio show with host Dan Miller presents updates on peace and social justice issues and occasionally airs tapes of lectures given at Stevenson Nuclear Policy Studies, UCSC. Tonight's guest, Ruth Hunter, a world traveler and activist, recently traveled to several Pacific Rim countries and mid-Pacific islands. She will relate the militarization of the area and talk about women's rights in these cultures. 8-9 a.m. Call-in numbers: 253-6000 and 253-0303.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

"Michael Harrington," a Consider the Alternatives radio program on KAZU (90.3 FM). Harrington, who died on August 1st, was Co-Chair of the Democratic Socialists of America. His book "The Other America" is credited with spurring the War on Poverty in the 1960s. This program combines an interview with excerpts from a speech at Temple University, and gives listeners a chance to hear Michael Harrington's ideas at fuller length. 9-9:30 p.m. (Repeat Broadcast.) Info: 375-7275.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Progressive Animal Rights Alliance weekly meeting. 7:30 p.m., 409 Washington Street (behind Loudon Nelson Community Center). Info: 438-PARA.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Weekly Santa Cruz Town Clock Disarmament Vigil. Sponsored by Quakers, Nevada Desert Experience and the Nuclear Weapons Freeze. 4-5 p.m. Info: 458-9975.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Faith Nolan in concert. Kuumbwa Jazz Center, 8 p.m. Tickets, \$8.50 in advance, available at Cymbaline or Statz Ltd.; \$10 at the door. Presented by Lea Lawson Productions. Info: 458-3053.

Open Gatherings small group discussions. Sponsored by the Corporation for Shared Responsibility, a San Jose-based non-profit educational organization. Free, donation requested. 7 p.m., Cafe Pergolesi, 418 Cedar Street; 9 p.m., Cafe Camaleon, 418 Front Street. Info: 947-1606.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

"News You Can Use," a KKUP (91.5 FM) call-in radio show with host Dan Miller presents updates on peace and social justice issues and occasionally airs tapes of lectures given at Stevenson Nuclear Policy Studies, UCSC. Why do some people tend to hold on to information and beliefs in spite of new information which proves the concepts wrong? There is considerable misinformation on social issues in new age, environmental and



Luis Enrique Mejia Godoy and Mancotal appear in concert to benefit the Coalition for Nicaragua on Sunday, September 24 at the Vets Hall in Santa Cruz. See the calendar listing for details.

conspiracy theory statements. These matters will be discussed with Psychologist David Rigler. 8-9 a.m. Call-in numbers: 253-6000 and 253-0303.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Demonstrations for a nuclear testing moratorium. Organized by Bay Area Peace Test. On the 24th, the "Nevada Movement," an organization of Soviet peace activists, will be holding demonstrations near the Soviet nuclear weapons testing facility in Kazakhstan and other parts of the country to mark the 40th year of Soviet testing. As part of international

activities in solidarity with the Nevada Movement's actions, nonviolent demonstrations will be held on the 24th at the Soviet Consulate, 2790 Green Street, San Francisco, 12-1 p.m. On the 25th, a nonviolent demonstration will be held at the Department of Energy, 1333 Broadway, Oakland, 12-1 p.m. Info: (415) 843-7846.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Luis Enrique Mejia Godoy and Mancotal in concert to benefit Coalition for Nicaragua. Veterans Hall, 846 Front St. Tickets \$8.50 advance, \$10 at the door. Presented by Lea Lawson Productions. Info: 458-3053.

"Physician to the World: Dr. Bernard Lown," a Consider the Alternatives radio program on KAZU (90.3 FM). Dr. Bernard Lown is co-founder, with Soviet colleague Yevgeny Chazov, of the Nobel Prize-winning organization International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War. Dr. Lown founded the U.S. group Physicians for Social Responsibility in 1963. This broadcast gives listeners a look at the life-work and vision of Dr. Lown. 9-9:30 p.m. (Repeat Broadcast.) Info: 375-7275.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Regular meeting of the Coalition for Nicaragua. Meetings held on the second Monday of every month are educational and include both historical information and current updates. Meetings held on the fourth Monday focus on Coalition events and action. Free and open to the public. 7-9 p.m., Loudon Nelson Center, 301 Center Street. Info: 458-0303.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Progressive Animal Rights Alliance weekly meeting. 7:30 p.m., 409 Washington Street (behind Loudon Nelson Community Center). Info: 438-PARA.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Weekly Santa Cruz Town Clock Disarmament Vigil. Sponsored by Quakers, Nevada Desert Experience and the Nuclear Weapons Freeze. 4-5 p.m. Info: 458-9975.



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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

"News You Can Use," a KKUP (91.5 FM) call-in radio show with host Dan Miller presents updates on peace and social justice issues and occasionally airs tapes of lectures given at Stevenson Nuclear Policy Studies, UCSC. Tonight's guests, Lois and Bert Muhly, will discuss U.S. intervention policy in Central America, including the Panama situation, the upcoming elections in Nicaragua, and how third world countries view environmental protection. 8-9 a.m. Call-in numbers: 253-6000 and 253-0303.

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

"Breaking Ranks," a Consider the Alternatives radio program on KAZU (90.3 FM). In her book "Breaking Ranks" Melissa Everett tells the stories of ten men who left comfortable jobs in the military, the CIA, or the nuclear weapons industry. Each, in his own way, is now working for

peace. This program features an interview with Melissa Everett, as well as the stories of three of the men she profiles in her book. 9-9:30 p.m. Info: 375-7275.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

National March For Housing Now! U.S. Capitol, Washington D.C. Info: 425-7478 or 662-3616.

"News You Can Use," a KKUP (91.5 FM) call-in radio show with host Dan Miller presents updates on peace and social justice issues and occasionally airs tapes of lectures given at Stevenson Nuclear Policy Studies, UCSC. This program will present a documentary on the speeches of Chief Seattle including the "environmental" version, and the original, spiritual and prophetic 1854 speech of the great peace chief Seattle. Pat Miller will present a brief history of "Sealth" (Chief Seattle) and Dr. Robert Hahn will narrate Chief Seattle's original speech. 8-9 a.m. Call-in numbers: 253-6000 and 253-0303.

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13 -

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

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